

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 328

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE  
10 AND TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY FOR VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND  
11 RESEARCH PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."  
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## Subtitle

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14 "AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND  
15 TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
16 APPROPRIATION."  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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20 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
21 Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be payable from the General  
22 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

23 (A) For the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network for program  
24 support, technical and business services and associated personnel, the sum of  
25 \$1,200,000.  
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27 (B) For the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network for enhancements  
28 to sustain existing partners services from previously established grants and  
29 other funds, the sum of .....\$918,324.  
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31 (C) For the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network for existing  
32 program support to Henderson State University, the sum of.....\$100,000.  
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34 (D) For the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network for existing  
35 program support to Winrock International, the sum of.....\$100,000.  
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1 (E) For development of proposals to obtain federal science and  
2 technology enhancement project funding for Experimental Program to Stimulate  
3 Competitive Research (EPSCOR), the sum of .....\$6,000,000.  
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5 (F) For capital improvements to support the Arkansas Ventures in  
6 Education project, the sum of .....\$374,882.

7 (G) For capital improvements to support NASA, space grants, the sum of  
8 .....\$150,000.  
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10 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
11 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
12 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
13 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
14 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
15 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
16 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
17 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
18 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
19 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
20 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
21 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this Act.

22 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State  
23 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the  
24 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this  
25 State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and  
26 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in  
27 disbursement of any funds provided by this Act unless specifically provided  
28 otherwise by law.  
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30 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
31 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
32 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which  
33 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
34 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
35 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or

1 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
2 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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4 SECTION 4. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent  
5 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas  
6 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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8 SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the  
9 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such  
10 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which  
11 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this  
12 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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14 SECTION 6. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict  
15 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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17 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
18 Eighty-First General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas  
19 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that  
20 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1997 is essential to the operation of  
21 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
22 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
23 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1997 could work irreparable harm upon the  
24 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
25 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
26 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
27 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1997.

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/s/Russ et al

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