

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

1 State of Arkansas  
2 81st General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 1997  
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As Engrossed: S3/14/97 H4/2/97

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 524

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

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR COSTS OF CRIMINAL  
9 BACKGROUND CHECKS, AS REQUIRED BY LAW FOR THE DEPARTMENT  
10 OF EDUCATION - GENERAL EDUCATION DIVISION FOR THE BIENNIAL  
11 PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1999; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."  
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## Subtitle

13 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
14 - GENERAL EDUCATION DIVISION - CRIMINAL  
15 BACKGROUND CHECK COSTS APPROPRIATION FOR  
16 THE 1997-99 BIENNIUM."  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
22 Department of Education - General Education Division, to be payable from the  
23 *Public School Fund*, for paying costs of criminal background checks *for the*  
24 *first renewal of non-expired licenses issued by the State Board of Education*  
25 *for certified personnel*, as required by law, for the Department of Education -  
26 General Education Division for the biennial period ending June 30, 1999, the  
27 following:  
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29 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
<del>NO.</del>	<del>1997-98</del>	<del>1998-99</del>
(01)	BACKGROUND CHECKS - CERTIFIED EMPLOYEES	<u>\$ 250,000</u>
<u>\$ 250,000</u>		

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34 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
35 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
36 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and

1 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and  
2 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
3 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control  
4 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the  
5 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
6 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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8 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
9 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
10 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which  
11 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
12 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
13 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
14 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
15 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

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

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

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30 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
31 Eighty-First General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas  
32 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that  
33 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1997 is essential to the operation of  
34 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
35 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective

1 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1997 could work irreparable harm upon the  
2 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
3 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
4 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
5 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1997.

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