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As Engrossed: S3/7/97

A Bill

SENATE BILL 603

5 By: Senators Bradford and Edwards
6 By: Representatives Wilkins, Roberts, McKissack, and Pappas
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 6-53-307 PERTAINING TO
10 COUNTY SUPPORT FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."
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Subtitle

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14 "TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 6-53-307
15 PERTAINING TO COUNTY SUPPORT FOR
16 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION."
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-53-307 is amended by inserting an additional
21 subsection at the end thereof to read as follows:

22 "(d) A county sales or use tax dedicated or levied under this section
23 may also be dedicated or levied in part for capital improvements to, or the
24 maintenance and operation of, any public institution of higher education
25 located in the county."
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27 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
28 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
29 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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31 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
32 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
33 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
34 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
35 act are declared to be severable.
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1 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
2 hereby repealed.

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4 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is found and determined by the General
5 Assembly of the State of Arkansas that public institutions of higher education
6 are in desperate need of additional funding; that one method of providing
7 additional funding is through the use of county sales and use taxes; that this
8 act authorizes the use of county sales and use taxes to be used in part for
9 capital improvements to and the maintenance and operations of public
10 institutions of higher education located within the county; and that this act
11 should go into effect as soon as possible in order to provide additional
12 revenues to the institutions of higher education as soon as possible.
13 Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately
14 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall
15 become effective on the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is
16 neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the
17 expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill.
18 If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall
19 become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto.

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/s/Bradford et al

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