

1 State of Arkansas  
2 82nd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 1999  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1744

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

9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE BOARD OF  
10 FINANCE FOR GRANTS AND LOANS FOR RURAL MEDICAL  
11 CLINICS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

### Subtitle

14 "AN ACT FOR THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE  
15 - RURAL MEDICAL CLINICS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
16 APPROPRIATION.  
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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 - RURAL MEDICAL CLINICS. There is hereby  
22 appropriated, to the State Board of Finance, to be payable from the Rural  
23 Medical Clinic Revolving Loan Fund, the following:

24 (A) For grants or loans to communities to establish a medical clinic and  
25 for loans to physicians for establishment of medical clinics in rural  
26 communities, the sum of .....\$205,000.  
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28 (B) For grants and loans due to critical needs as determined by the  
29 Director of the Arkansas Department of Health, to physicians or communities to  
30 establish medical clinics, the sum of .....\$20,000.  
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32 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
33 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
34 DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS. Expenditure of the funds authorized herein shall be  
35 made only upon documentation to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, in such  
36 form as deemed necessary, that all criteria or pre-conditions established in

1 the appropriation act have been met or in the case of state agencies, that a  
 2 Method of Finance has been filed with the Office of Accounting in the  
 3 Department of Finance and Administration. Any matching funds as may be  
 4 provided in law shall be certified to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State  
 5 prior to the commencement of the project. Further, any recipient of the funds  
 6 appropriated herein may be required to file a compliance audit indicating that  
 7 the use of the funds was in compliance with the intent of the General  
 8 Assembly.

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 10 SECTION 3. 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 Purchasing  
 23 Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue  
 24 Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this State  
 25 and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration,  
 26 as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of any  
 27 funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.

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 29 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
 30 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
 31 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
 32 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
 33 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
 34 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
 35 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint  
 36 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 7. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Eighty-second General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1999 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1999 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1999.