State of Arkansas 1 As Engrossed: S3/16/99 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly 3 Regular Session, 1999 SENATE BILL 648 4 5 By: Joint Budget Committee 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ARKANSAS 9 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR A TWO YEAR PILOT 10 LOAN/INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR SMALL BUSINESS THROUGH 11 12 COMMUNITY LENDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 13 Subtitle 14 "AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC 15 16 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION - LOAN/INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR SMALL BUSINESS CAPITAL 17 18 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION. 19 20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 21 22 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - LOAN/INCENTIVE PROGRAM. There is hereby 23 appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable 24 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for 25 the Department of Economic Development's participating share of a loan 26 qualified under the Loan/Incentive Program for Small Business of the Arkansas 27 Economic Development Commission for each year of the biennial period ending 28 29 June 30, 2001, the sum of ......\$500,000. 30 31 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects 32 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available 33 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and 34 35 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or 36

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1 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State

- 2 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
- 3 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
- 4 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
- 5 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
- 6 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.
- 7 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State Purchasing
- 8 Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue
- 9 Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this State
- 10 and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration,
- 11 as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of any
- 12 funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.

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

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

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- SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or the application
- 28 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall
- 29 not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given
- 30 effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the
- 31 provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

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- 33 SECTION 6. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with
- 34 this act are hereby repealed.

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SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the

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