

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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

As Engrossed: S3/31/99

A Bill

SENATE BILL 703

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5 By: Senator Gordon
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ARKANSAS
10 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY TO MATCH FEDERAL
11 RESEARCH GRANT OPPORTUNITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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14 "AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND
15 TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY - TO MATCH FEDERAL
16 RESEARCH GRANT OPPORTUNITIES CAPITAL
17 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION."
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - RESEARCH GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated,
23 to the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be payable from the
24 Arkansas Research Matching Fund, the following:

25 (A) To match federal research grant opportunities focused on basic and
26 strategic research, the sum of\$10,000,000.
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28 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
29 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL OR TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING
30 TRANSFER. When funds are authorized to be made available through the
31 provisions of the General Improvement Distribution Act of 1999 to match
32 federal research grant opportunities focused on basic and strategic research
33 herein and upon meeting all other conditions as set out by law, the Chief
34 Fiscal Officer of the State and State Treasurer shall transfer the sum of ten
35 million dollars (\$10,000,000), or so much thereof as is made available
36 therefrom, from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund

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1 accounts to the Arkansas Research Matching Fund there to be used for such
2 purposes as appropriated herein.

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4 SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
5 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
6 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
7 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
8 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
9 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
10 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
11 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
12 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
13 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
14 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
15 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

16 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State Purchasing
17 Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue
18 Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this State
19 and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration,
20 as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of any
21 funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.

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

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

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36 SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or the application

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

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

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

20 /s/ Gordon
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