State of Arkansas 1 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly 3 Regular Session, 1999 SENATE BILL 926 4 5 By: Senator Dowd 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE EIGHTY-SECOND SESSION 9 PROJECTS ACCOUNT WITHIN THE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUND: 10 TO DEFINE THE MONIES TO BE AVAILABLE IN SUCH ACCOUNT; 11 12 AND TO DEFINE THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH MONIES MAY BE 13 MADE AVAILABLE FROM THE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 14 15 **Subtitle** 16 "THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE EIGHTY-SECOND 17 18 SESSION PROJECTS ACCOUNT OF THE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUND." 19 20 21 22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 23 24 SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "General Improvement Distribution Act of 1999". 25 26 SECTION 2. There is hereby created and established on the books of the 27 28 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the State Treasurer and the State Auditor, 29 the "82nd Session Projects Account" within the "General Improvement Fund", into which shall be transferred and credited the respective monies as 30 31 hereinafter provided in this Act, to be used for providing financing, in the manner set forth herein, for the various projects and purposes enumerated in 32 this Act to be financed from said account. 33 Immediately upon the effective date of this Act, or as soon thereafter 34 35 as is practical, the State Treasurer shall transfer and credit to the "82nd Session Projects Account" of the "General Improvement Fund", upon 36

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1 certification of the amounts thereof by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,
2 the following:

- (a) all unobligated and unallocated monies remaining in the "General Improvement Fund" which are not required to finance projects to be financed therefrom pursuant to appropriations enacted by the 81st General Assembly, or which have not been reappropriated or reallocated for financing from the "General Improvement Fund" by the 82nd General Assembly;
- (b) any unobligated or unallocated funds remaining in the "General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund" from monies accruing thereto during the 1997-99 fiscal biennium which are not required to finance enactments of the 82nd General Assembly that do not expire on June 30, 1999; and
- (c) interest earned on State Treasury fund balances as provided in this subsection. For the period commencing on July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001, the State Treasurer shall, after complying with provisions of
- (1) Arkansas Code 27-70-204 for distributing interest income earned from investment of average daily balances of the "State Highway and Transportation Department Fund",
- (2) Arkansas Code 15-41-110 for distributing interest earned from investment of average daily balances of the "Game Protection Fund",
- (3) Arkansas Code 15-5-422 for the first two million dollars (\$2,000,000) of interest income received each fiscal year by the State Treasurer as authorized for the Correction Facilities Construction Fund, and
- (4) Arkansas Code 20-78-504 for the next one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of interest income received each fiscal year by the State Treasurer for the Arkansas Child Care Facilities Loan Guarantee Trust Fund, credit to the "Budget Stabilization Trust Fund" or its successor fund, fifty percent (50%) of the interest income received and credited to the "Securities Reserve Fund", and credit to the "82nd Session Projects Account" fifty percent (50%) of the interest income received and credited to the "Securities Reserve Fund" as certified by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, to provide financing to the "82nd Session Projects Account", until there has been credited an amount, which when added to the other funds available for such purposes will finance each of the projects or purposes hereinafter enumerated.

SECTION 3. Any enactment of the 82nd General Assembly appropriating or allocating funds to be payable from the "General Improvement Fund", for which

a specific allocation of funds is specifically authorized in this Act, shall 1 2 be deemed to be payable from the "82nd Session Projects Account" within the 3 "General Improvement Fund" unless a specific intent is otherwise provided by 4 Any enactment of the 82nd General Assembly appropriating funds payable 5 from the General Improvement Fund which is not enumerated in this Act shall not be financed from monies accruing to the 82nd Session Projects Account. 6 7 Provided that monies reappropriated by the 82nd General Assembly for projects for which appropriations were made by the 81st General Assembly, which are not 8 9 enumerated in this Act and which are made payable from the "General Improvement Fund", shall be payable from the "81st Session Projects Account" 10 11 of the "General Improvement Fund" and allowances shall be made therefore in 12 arriving at the uncommitted and unobligated balance of monies in the "General 13 Improvement Fund" before making transfers therefrom to the "82nd Session 14 Projects Account", as authorized by this Act.

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SECTION 4. Distribution of funds for constructing and equipping the radiation therapy institutes specified herein, shall be contingent upon the provision of matching funds, including those monies previously raised but not previously used to match state funds, on a dollar by dollar basis on behalf of each such radiation therapy institute.

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SECTION 5. 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.

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SECTION 6. 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.

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

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SECTION 8. <u>EMERGENCY CLAUSE</u>. It is hereby found and determined that Eighty-Second General Assembly meeting in Regular Session has considered and

ı	enacted appropriations for construction projects and other programs to be
2	financed from the accumulated surplus and reserve funds available in the State
3	Treasury; that the total of the enacted appropriations exceed the estimated
4	available funds and that the immediate passage of this Act is necessary to
5	establish a method of providing for the orderly financing and a system of
6	priority for the financing of such projects. Therefore, an emergency is
7	declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the
8	preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall become effective on
9	the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is neither approved nor
10	vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the
11	period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is
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