

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 83rd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2001

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1640

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ARKANSAS STATE  
10 HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT FOR REBUILDING  
11 VARIOUS TOURIST INFORMATION CENTERS; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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15 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY  
16 AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT - REBUILD  
17 TOURIST INFORMATION CENTERS CAPITAL  
18 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - REBUILD TOURIST INFORMATION CENTERS. There is  
25 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation  
26 Department, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor  
27 fund or fund accounts, the following:

- 28 (A) For rebuilding the Texarkana Tourist Information Center, the sum of  
29 ..... \$3,000,000.
- 30 (B) For rebuilding the Corning Tourist Information Center, the sum of  
31 ..... \$1,500,000.
- 32 (C) For rebuilding the Dora Tourist Information Center, the sum of  
33 ..... \$3,000,000.
- 34 (D) For rebuilding the Junction City Tourist Information Center, the sum of  
35 ..... \$1,500,000.

1 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
 2 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
 3 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
 4 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
 5 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
 6 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
 7 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
 8 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
 9 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
 10 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
 11 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
 12 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

13 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State Purchasing  
 14 Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue  
 15 Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this State  
 16 and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration,  
 17 as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of any  
 18 funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.  
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20 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
 21 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
 22 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
 23 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
 24 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
 25 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
 26 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint  
 27 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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29 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
 30 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
 31 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
 32 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2001 is essential to the operation of the  
 33 agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the  
 34 event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date  
 35 of this Act beyond July 1, 2001 could work irreparable harm upon the proper  
 36 administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an

1 emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the  
2 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full  
3 force and effect from and after July 1, 2001.

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