

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 1707

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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 DEPARTMENT OF
10 WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND THE VARIOUS TECHNICAL
11 INSTITUTES FOR CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, MAINTENANCE,
12 REPAIR, EQUIPMENT AND LOAN FORGIVENESS; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE
17 EDUCATION AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTES
18 CAPITAL 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 - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby
25 appropriated, to the Department of Workforce Education, to be payable from the
26 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
27 following:

28 (A) For costs associated with the Arkansas Technical Careers Student Loan
29 Forgiveness Program, the sum of \$500,000.

30 (B) For transfer to the various Technical Institutes and Riverside
31 Vocational Technical School for construction, renovation, major maintenance,
32 and purchase of equipment for various capital projects or facility
33 improvements, the sum of \$500,000.
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35 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby
36 appropriated, to the Department of Workforce Education - Arkansas

1 Rehabilitation Services, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or
2 its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

3 (A) For construction, renovation, major maintenance, and purchase of
4 equipment for various capital projects or facility improvements at the Hot
5 Springs Rehabilitation Center, the sum of\$500,000.
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7 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the
8 Cotton Boll Technical Institute, to be payable from the cash funds as defined
9 by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, the following:

10 (A) For costs associated with a classroom addition to house the Adult
11 Education program currently located in the Practical Nursing Building,
12 Business Education Building, and a house trailer, the sum of\$242,037.

13 (B) For costs associated with the renovation of the library and expansion
14 of the student services offices, the sum of\$46,000.

15 (C) For costs associated with the addition of a 30 space parking facility,
16 the sum of\$39,820.
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18 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the
19 Delta Technical Institute, to be payable from the cash funds as defined by
20 Arkansas Code 19-4-801, the following:
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22 (A) For costs associated with converting the vacant Diesel Mechanics Shop
23 into classrooms and offices to accommodate an increase in enrollment and
24 staff, the sum of\$400,000.
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26 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the
27 Great Rivers Technical Institute, to be payable from the cash funds as defined
28 by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, the following:

29 (A) For costs associated with the renovation of space into technology labs,
30 science labs, and classrooms to accommodate current technological education
31 skills sought by the business sector, the sum of\$30,000.
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33 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the
34 Northwest Technical Institute, to be payable from the cash funds as defined by
35 Arkansas Code 19-4-801, the following:

36 (A) For costs associated with the completion of the remaining 50% of the

1 Business and Industry Center, the sum of \$200,000.

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

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

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22 SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
23 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
24 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
25 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
26 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
27 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
28 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint
29 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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31 SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
32 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
33 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
34 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2001 is essential to the operation of the
35 agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the
36 event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date

1 of this Act beyond July 1, 2001 could work irreparable harm upon the proper
2 administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an
3 emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the
4 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full
5 force and effect from and after July 1, 2001.

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