1 State of Arkansas As Engrossed: H3/9/01 A Bill 2 83rd General Assembly HOUSE BILL 2030 Regular Session, 2001 3 4 5 By: Joint Budget Committee 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF 9 HIGHER EDUCATION FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS TO THE 10 11 TWENTY THREE TWO YEAR COLLEGES FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, COMPUTERS, SOFTWARE AND EQUIPMENT FOR TECHNICAL 12 PROGRAMS: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. 13 14 15 **Subtitle** 16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER 17 18 EDUCATION - TECHNOLOGY FUNDS 19 DISTRIBUTION TO THE TWO YEAR COLLEGES CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION. 20 21 22 23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 24 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - TWO YEAR COLLEGES TECHNOLOGY FUNDS. 25 There is 26 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Higher Education, to be payable 27 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the 28 following: 29 (A) For the distribution of funds in the amount of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to each of the twenty three (23) two year 30 31 colleges for personal services, computers, software and equipment for 32 technical programs, of which twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) per college 33 shall be used to support "ACCESS Arkansas", the sum of..........\$5,750,000. 34 35 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects 36

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1 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available

- 2 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
- 3 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
- 4 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
- 5 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
- 6 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
- 7 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
- 8 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
- 9 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
- 10 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.
 - (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration,
- 15 as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of any
- 16 funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.

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

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Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2001 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2001 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.

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Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being

necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and

safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2001.

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