

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  
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*As Engrossed: S3/2/01*  
**A Bill**

SENATE BILL 577

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 EDUCATION - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION FOR THE  
11 CONSTRUCTION OF A BUILDING IN FAYETTEVILLE TO BE USED  
12 BY AETN FOR SATELLITE BROADCASTING AND BY THE  
13 UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AND OTHER COLLEGES AND  
14 UNIVERSITIES FOR BROADCAST JOURNALISM AND  
15 TELECOMMUNICATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

18 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
19 - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION  
20 - COMMUNICATIONS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
21 BUILDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.  
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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27 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby  
28 appropriated, to the Department of Education - Educational Television  
29 Division, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor  
30 fund or fund accounts, the following:

31 (A) For the construction of a building for AETN satellite broadcasting and  
32 for use by the University of Arkansas and other colleges and universities for  
33 broadcast journalism and telecommunications for each fiscal year of the  
34 biennial period ending June 30, 2003, the sum of.....\$10,000,000.  
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36 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor

1 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
2 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
3 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
4 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
5 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
6 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
7 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
8 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
9 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
10 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
11 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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

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28 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
29 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
30 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
31 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2001 is essential to the operation of the  
32 agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the  
33 event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date  
34 of this Act beyond July 1, 2001 could work irreparable harm upon the proper  
35 administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an  
36 emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the

1 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full  
2 force and effect from and after July 1, 2001.

3 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*

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