

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 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007
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As Engrossed: S3/1/07 S3/21/07

A Bill

SENATE BILL 306

5 By: Senator Steele
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR VISION SCREENING
11 PROGRAM OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE BIENNIAL
12 PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
17 VISION SCREENING PROGRAM OPERATING
18 EXPENSES APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2007-2009
19 BIENNIUM.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - VISION SCREENING PROGRAM. There is hereby
26 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the School-
27 Age Children Eye and Vision Care Fund, for operating expenses and costs
28 incurred in studying, evaluating vision needs, screening vision programs, the
29 development of a strategic statewide plan, and associated expenses for eye
30 and vision care of school age children in Arkansas, for the biennial period
31 ending June 30, 2009, the following:
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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
(01) VARIOUS OPERATING EXPENSES FOR		
VISION SCREENING AND CARE	\$ <u>1,000,000</u>	\$ <u>1,000,000</u>



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2 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
3 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
4 Uncodified Section 4 of Act 755 of 2003, concerning the Arkansas Commission
5 on Eye and Vision Care of School Age Children is amended as follows:
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7 ~~SECTION 4. Funding.~~

8 ~~(a)(1) The commission's funding shall be from grants, donations, and~~
9 ~~any other funds that may be made available through appropriations by the~~
10 ~~General Assembly.~~

11 ~~(2) Moneys received by the commission shall be used solely for the~~
12 ~~support of the functions of the commission.~~

13 ~~(b)(1) Grants and donations received by the commission shall be~~
14 ~~cash funds and shall be administered by the Arkansas Department of~~
15 ~~Health but shall be subject to appropriation by the General Assembly.~~

16 ~~(2) Any moneys received from grantors and donors that are not~~
17 ~~expended by the commission shall be returned to the grantors and donors~~
18 ~~in proportion that each bears to the total of all grants and donations~~
19 ~~received by the commission.~~
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21 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
22 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
23 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
24 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
25 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
26 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
27 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
28 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
29 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.
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31 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
32 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
33 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
34 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
35 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
36 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral

1 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
2 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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4 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
5 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
6 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
7 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of
8 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
9 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
10 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the
11 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
12 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
13 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
14 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.

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16 /s/ Steele
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