

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

A Bill

SENATE BILL 386

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5 By: Senator Faris
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT
10 OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING
11 OFFICER FOR ASSISTANCE TO THE RAYMOND PETTY
12 CENTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
17 AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER
18 - ASSISTANCE TO THE RAYMOND PETTY CENTER
19 GENERAL 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. There is hereby appropriated, to the
25 Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable
26 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
27 following:

28 (A) For maintenance and operating expenses for the Raymond Petty Center
29 for exceptional children and adults, the sum of\$50,000.
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31 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FINDINGS.
33 The General Assembly finds that the appropriation provided for herein is
34 important state policy and furthers important state interests. The recipient
35 of funds herein provides innovative treatment and assistance to challenged
36 infants, school aged children and adults. Some clients may no longer need



1 assistance from government programs due to the treatment, thereby freeing
2 funds for other uses. The intervention and interaction programs used by the
3 recipient provide opportunities for these individuals to thrive and achieve
4 levels of independence unavailable without such assistance and intervention.
5 In addition, the recipient often develops innovative techniques that can be
6 used throughout the state to provide such assistance and interaction
7 elsewhere and the appropriation provided herein can be of assistance in
8 ensuring these innovative techniques continue to be developed by the
9 recipient to help other areas of the state. Further, the facilities
10 enhanced by this Act can provide significant assistance to the needs of the
11 state in the event of a natural disaster, terrorist act or weather event.
12 The Center will have the capability to temporarily feed and care for a large
13 number of individuals in the area with the type of facilities necessary to
14 ensure the health and safety of those in need during such events.

15 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2007
16 through June 30, 2009.

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18 SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
19 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
20 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
21 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
22 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
23 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
24 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
25 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
26 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
27 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
28 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
29 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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1 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
 2 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
 3 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
 4 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
 5 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
 6 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
 7 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
 8 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

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