

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 461

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5 By: Senator Critcher
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE OFFICE OF
10 THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR SUPPLEMENTING THE
11 DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS TO CITIES AND COUNTIES
12 THROUGHOUT ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 AN ACT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER
16 OF STATE - CITIES AND COUNTIES GENERAL
17 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - SUPPLEMENTAL COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL AID. There
24 is hereby appropriated, to the Office of the Treasurer of State, to be
25 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
26 accounts, the following:

27 (A) For supplementing the distribution of funds apportioned to each city
28 or incorporated town in the same proportion as authorized in Arkansas Code
29 19-5-601, the sum of\$40,000,000.

30 (B) For supplementing the funds made available to each of the seventy-five
31 counties by the same distribution as authorized in Arkansas Code 19-5-
32 602(c)(1)(A) the sum of.....\$40,000,000.
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34 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
35 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

36 SUPPLEMENTAL COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL AID FUNDS UTILIZATION. The appropriations



1 authorized in this act for supplementing aid to municipalities shall be
2 utilized by the cities or incorporated towns in the same manner and used for
3 the same purposes as authorized by law for general revenues apportioned
4 through the Municipal Aid Fund as established in Arkansas Code 19-6-601.

5 The appropriations authorized in this act for supplementing aid to
6 counties shall be utilized by counties in the same manner and used for the
7 same purposes as authorized by law for general revenues distributed through
8 the County Aid Fund as established in Arkansas Code 19-5-602.

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

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

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

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SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General 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, 2007 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, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. 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, 2007.