

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.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 756

5 By: Senator Whitaker
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT
10 OF RURAL SERVICES FOR DEVELOPMENT ALONG SCENIC
11 *HIGHWAYS* AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL
17 SERVICES - DEVELOPMENT ALONG SCENIC
18 HIGHWAYS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS GENERAL
19 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.

20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS – *SCENIC HIGHWAYS*. There is hereby
23 appropriated, to the Department of Rural Services, to be payable from the
24 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
25 following:

26 (A) For further development along scenic *highways*, parks and other
27 improvements, the sum of\$20,000.
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29 SECTION 2. *SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS*
30 *CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. GRANTS.*
31 *The grants authorized in Section 1 of this act shall not be restricted by*
32 *local population limitations, dollar amount limitations, or dollar matching*
33 *requirements that may be applicable to other grant programs currently*
34 *administered by the Department of Rural Services. The Department of Rural*
35 *Services may adopt rules and regulations to carry out the intent of the*
36 *General Assembly regarding the grant appropriations authorized in Section 1*



1 of this Act.

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

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5 SECTION 3. As referenced in SECTION 3 of the Act introduced as Senate
6 Bill 833 of 2007, the authorized funding for the project for further
7 development along scenic highway #71, parks and other improvements shall
8 instead be deemed to be for further development along scenic highways, parks
9 and other improvements.

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11 SECTION 4. As referenced in SECTION 3 of the Act introduced as House Bill
12 2501 of 2007, the authorized funding for the project for further development
13 along scenic highway #71, parks and other improvements shall instead be
14 deemed to be for further development along scenic highways, parks and other
15 improvements.

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17 SECTION 5. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
18 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
19 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
20 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
21 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
22 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
23 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
24 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
25 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
26 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
27 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
28 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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36 SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly

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

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

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21 /s/ Whitaker
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