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HOUSE BILL 1104

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES AND FOR GRANTS AND AID TO
10 LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF CAREER EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
12 ENDING JUNE 30, 2016; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER
16 EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2015-2016
17 FISCAL YEAR.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
24 Department of Career Education for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following
25 maximum number of regular employees.
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Item	Class		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code	Title	No. of	Salary Rate
			Employees	Fiscal Year
				2015-2016
31	(1) U061U	ACE DIRECTOR	1	\$153,463
32	(2) U077U	ACE DEPUTY DIRECTOR CAREER & TECH ED	1	\$111,630
33	(3) U065U	ACE DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	\$111,629
34	(4) U098U	DIR GOV COMM ON ADULT LITERACY	1	\$76,398
35	(5) G010C	ACE DIVISION MANAGER	4	GRADE C128
36	(6) A031C	ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	1	GRADE C124



1	(7)	E061C	ACE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	16	GRADE C123
2	(8)	E062C	ACE PROGRAM ADVISOR	32	GRADE C122
3	(9)	R014C	PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
4	(10)	R019C	BUDGET MANAGER	1	GRADE C120
5	(11)	V007C	PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C119
6	(12)	A060C	SENIOR AUDITOR	3	GRADE C119
7	(13)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE C118
8	(14)	A074C	FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118
9	(15)	R025C	HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
10	(16)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
11	(17)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
12	(18)	R036C	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C113
13	(19)	V020C	INVENTORY CONTROL MANAGER	1	GRADE C113
14	(20)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	7	GRADE C112
15	(21)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	3	GRADE C112
16	(22)	S050C	MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C112
17	(23)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>14</u>	GRADE C109
18			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	97	

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20 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT EDUCATION.

21 There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Career Education -
 22 Vocational, Technical and Adult Education for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the
 23 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as
 24 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes:
 25 sixty-nine (69) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of
 26 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 27 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 28 classification.

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30 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT EDUCATION.

31 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be
 32 payable from the Department of Career Education Fund Account, for personal
 33 services and operating expenses of the Department of Career Education -
 34 Vocational, Technical and Adult Education for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 35 2016, the following:

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1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
3	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,061,559
4	(02) EXTRA HELP	13,541
5	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	965,689
6	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	979,873
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	36,251
9	(C) PROF. FEES	0
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11	(E) DATA PROC.	0
12	(05) APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM	1,611,456
13	(06) MOTOR VEHICLE EDUCATION PROGRAM	<u>2,500</u>
14	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,670,869</u></u>

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16 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - ADULT BASIC EDUCATION. There is hereby
 17 appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the
 18 Department of Career Education Fund Account, for personal services and
 19 operating expenses of the Department of Career Education - Adult Basic
 20 Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
24	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$392,990
25	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	122,637
26	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
27	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	24,507
28	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
29	(C) PROF. FEES	0
30	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
31	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
32	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$540,134</u></u>

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34 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - HIGH-TECH SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM. There
 35 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable
 36 from the Department of Career Education Fund Account, for scholarships of the

1 of the Department of Career Education - High-Tech Scholarship Award Program
 2 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
6 (01) SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>\$10,000</u>

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8 SECTION 6. EXTRA HELP - FEDERAL VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT
 9 EDUCATION. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Career
 10 Education - Federal Vocational, Technical and Adult Education for the 2015-
 11 2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary
 12 employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated
 13 herein for such purposes: four (4) temporary or part-time employees, when
 14 needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform
 15 Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the
 16 appropriate classification.

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18 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT
 19 EDUCATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career
 20 Education, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief
 21 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and
 22 grants by the Department of Career Education - Federal Vocational, Technical
 23 and Adult Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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25 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
27 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$907,764
28 (02) EXTRA HELP	14,305
29 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	309,962
30 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,673,381
32 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	46,175
33 (C) PROF. FEES	100,000
34 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35 (E) DATA PROC.	0
36 (05) VOCATIONAL EDUCATION GRANTS	<u>16,540,397</u>

1 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED \$19,591,984

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3 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL ADULT BASIC EDUCATION. There is
4 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable
5 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
6 State, for personal services, operating expenses and grants by the Department
7 of Career Education - Federal Adult Basic Education for the fiscal year
8 ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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10 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
11 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
12 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$76,472
13 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	27,624
14 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	77,467
16 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,200
17 (C) PROF. FEES	9,000
18 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19 (E) DATA PROC.	0
20 (04) ADULT BASIC EDUCATION GRANTS	<u>8,076,279</u>
21 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$8,292,042</u>

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23 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL VETERANS APPROVING AGENCY. There is
24 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable
25 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
26 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of
27 Career Education - Federal Veterans Approving Agency for the fiscal year
28 ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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30 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
32 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$183,035
33 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	60,355
34 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	53,546
36 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	9,623

1	(C) PROF. FEES	600
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$307,159</u></u>

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6 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING. There is
7 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable
8 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
9 State, for operating expenses of the Department of Career Education - Federal
10 Equipment and Training for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the
11 following:

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13	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
15	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
16	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$14,800
17	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
18	(C) PROF. FEES	0
19	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
20	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$14,800</u></u>

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23 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CRAFT TRAINING
24 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career
25 Education, to be payable from the Arkansas Construction Industry Craft
26 Training Trust Fund, for personal services, operating expenses and grants by
27 the Department of Career Education - Construction Industry Craft Training
28 Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
32	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$49,971
33	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	16,014
34	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	12,000
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	7,500

1	(C) PROF. FEES	0
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	0
4	(04) GRANTS TO CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CRAFT	
5	TRAINING PROGRAM	<u>800,000</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$885,485</u></u>

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8 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - ALTERNATIVE RETIREMENT PROGRAM - CASH.

9 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be
10 payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the
11 Department of Career Education, for personal services and operating expenses
12 of the Department of Career Education - Alternative Retirement Program - Cash
13 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
17	(01) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	\$110,222
18	(02) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
19	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	12,300
20	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
21	(C) PROF. FEES	0
22	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
23	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
24	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$122,522</u></u>

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26 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - HOUSING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM. There is
27 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable
28 from the Building Trades Revolving Fund, for loans to Secondary Area
29 Technical Centers or other eligible entities, for the purchase of building
30 materials, supplies, and fixtures to be used in the construction of a single
31 family dwelling unit or other non-residential building project through the
32 Housing Construction Program of the Department of Career Education for the
33 fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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35	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
36	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>

1 (01) LOANS \$329,613

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3 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - LAW ENFORCEMENT SAFETY OFFICE - CASH.

4 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be
5 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by
6 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the
7 Department of Career Education - Law Enforcement Safety Office - Cash for the
8 fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) LAW ENFORCEMENT SAFETY PROGRAM	<u>\$75,000</u>

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14 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - CAREER COACHES GRANT - CASH. There is
15 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable
16 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
17 Fiscal Officer of the State, for grants and aid for career coaches by the
18 Department of Career Education - Career Coaches Grant - Cash for the fiscal
19 year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) CAREER COACHES GRANTS	<u>\$20,000</u>

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25 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ADULT LITERACY.
26 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be
27 payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account,
28 for personal services, operating expenses, and grants by the Department of
29 Career Education - Governor's Commission on Adult Literacy for the fiscal
30 year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$26,410
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	9,031
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

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1	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	52,242
2	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,005
3	(C) PROF. FEES	0
4	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
5	(E) DATA PROC.	0
6	(04) GRANTS TO LITERACY COUNCILS	<u>700,000</u>
7	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$793,688</u></u>

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9 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - ADULT BASIC AND GENERAL ADULT EDUCATION.

10 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be
 11 payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account,
 12 for Adult Basic and General Adult Education grants and aid by the Department
 13 of Career Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
17	(01) ADULT BASIC & GENERAL ADULT EDUCATION	<u><u>\$19,860,569</u></u>

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19 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - COORDINATED CAREER EDUCATION SERVICES.

20 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be
 21 payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account,
 22 for Coordinated Career Education Services - Special Needs Students Program
 23 grants and aid by the Department of Career Education for the fiscal year
 24 ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
28	(01) COORDINATED CAREER EDUCATION	
29	SERVICES-SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS	
30	PROGRAM GRANTS & AID	<u><u>\$1,119,433</u></u>

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32 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - VOCATIONAL CENTER AID. There is hereby
 33 appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the
 34 Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account, for Vocational
 35 Center grants and aid by the Department of Career Education - Vocational
 36 Center Aid for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) VOCATIONAL CENTER GRANTS AND AID	<u>\$20,436,383</u>

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SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - VOCATIONAL START-UP GRANTS AND AID. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account, for Vocational Start-Up grants and aid by the Department of Career Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) VOCATIONAL START-UP GRANTS AND AID	<u>\$2,370,000</u>

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SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - GED TESTING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account, for the cost of individuals taking the General Educational Development (GED) test and official practice test for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) GED TEST COSTS	<u>\$1,870,000</u>

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SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - CAREER COACHES PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account, for personal services, operating expenses, and Career Coaches grants and aid by the Department of Career Education - Career Coaches Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$80,364
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	26,260

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1	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	50,000
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
4	(C) PROF. FEES	0
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
6	(E) DATA PROC.	0
7	(04) CAREER COACHES GRANTS AND AID	<u>800,000</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$971,624</u></u>

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10 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - AR WORKS - SCHOOL DISTRICTS. There is
 11 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable
 12 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 13 Fiscal Officer of the State, for grants to support the Arkansas Works
 14 Initiative career coach positions serving middle and high schools in twenty-
 15 one counties and the Little Rock school district for the fiscal year ending
 16 June 30, 2016, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
20	(01) ARKANSAS WORKS INITIATIVE GRANTS	<u><u>\$1,537,500</u></u>

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22 SECTION 24. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 23 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FEDERAL
 24 MATCHING. The funds appropriated in Sections for Adult Basic and General
 25 Adult Education, Coordinated Career Education Services, Vocational Center Aid
 26 and Vocational Start-up Grants and Aid of this Act may also be used to match
 27 any available federal funds from any agency in order to provide the maximum
 28 amount of money possible for the purposes enumerated in such section.

29 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~
 30 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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32 SECTION 25. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 33 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
 34 VOCATIONAL START-UP. The funds and appropriations contained herein for
 35 Vocational Start-Up shall be allocated in accordance with rules and
 36 regulations established by the State Board of Career Education, after the

1 rules and regulations have undergone a prior review by the Administrative
2 Rules and Regulations Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
3 Joint Budget Committee.

4 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~
5 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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7 SECTION 26. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
8 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
9 EDUCATIONAL TRAINING/RETRAINING. Of the funds and appropriation authorized by
10 Item (01) in the section of this Act for Adult Basic and General Adult
11 Education, a sum of \$300,000 each fiscal year shall be made available to
12 eligible entities approved by the State Board of Career Education, in order
13 to expand the vocational education and training opportunities available to
14 area citizens in need of adult educational training or retraining due to
15 changing technology.

16 Further, if the appropriation is not fully funded due to a decrease in
17 the official revenue forecast or the available carryover balance of the
18 Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account, the Department of
19 Career Education may reduce proportionally the amount made available to
20 eligible entities approved by the State Board of Career Education in order to
21 expand the vocational education and training opportunities to area citizens
22 in need of adult educational training or retraining due to changing
23 technology.

24 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~
25 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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27 SECTION 27. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
28 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ADULT
29 EDUCATION DISTRIBUTION. All funds that become available for Adult Education
30 shall be distributed to those administrative units determined to be operating
31 efficient and effective adult education programs, under criteria established
32 by the State Board of Career Education. The criteria shall include the
33 relative efficiency of administration of the program in the counties served
34 and achievement of federal performance indicators. The State Board of Career
35 Education shall promulgate rules and regulations for the distribution of
36 funds in accordance with criteria to be determined by the Board. In the

1 distribution of funds to local units the Board shall consider performance in
2 meeting state and federal performance indicators. Unallocated funds will be
3 redistributed based upon need as determined by the State Board of Career
4 Education.

5 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~
6 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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8 SECTION 28. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
10 OF FUNDS – PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall
11 establish, upon request from the Department of Career Education, a special
12 appropriation line item to be used in the acquisition of promotional items.
13 When the Department of Career Education wishes to transfer monies from its
14 operating expenses appropriation to the Promotional Items line, the State
15 Board of Career Education shall approve the request and forward it after
16 receiving prior review and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or
17 Joint Budget Committee, to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State for
18 processing.

19 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of
20 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year
21 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by
22 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and
23 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by
24 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly
25 has determined that the Department of Career Education may operate more
26 efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Career
27 Education authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both
28 necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by
29 requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
30 as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative
31 Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section.
32 If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget
33 Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction,
34 this entire section is void.

35 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,
36 2015 through June 30, 2016.

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SECTION 29. CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 6-51-904(a) is amended to read as follows:

6-51-904. Duties of local board for technical institutes.

(a) The powers and duties of the local board shall be as follows:

(1) To acquire, hold, and transfer real and personal property, to enter into contracts, to institute and defend legal actions and suits, and to exercise such other rights and privileges as may be necessary for the management and administration of the technical institute;

(2) To determine a minimum level for student tuition and fees to be charged by the technical institute, including without limitation penalty fees;

(3) To appoint from the candidates certified by the State Board of Career Education and approved by the Governor, the president of the technical institute or director of the comprehensive lifelong learning center;

(4) To appoint, upon nomination of the president or director, the members of the administrative and teaching staffs;

(5) To determine, with the approval of the State Board of Career Education, the educational program of the institution; and

(6) Other powers and duties as provided in this subchapter or as delegated to it by the State Board of Career Education.

SECTION 30. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 31. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive

1 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
2 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
3 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
4 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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6 SECTION 32. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
7 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
8 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
9 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2015 is essential to the operation of
10 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
11 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
12 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2015 could work irreparable harm
13 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
14 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
15 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
16 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2015.
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