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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 277

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE SECRETARY OF  
9 STATE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER  
10 PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

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13 AN ACT FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE -  
14 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS GENERAL  
15 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. There is  
22 hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the  
23 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
24 following:

25 (A) for HVAC upgrade to North End of State Capitol building, in a sum  
26 not to exceed.....\$6,500,000.

27 (B) for roof and window repair of the State Capitol building, in a sum  
28 not to exceed.....\$2,500,000.

29 (C) for asphalt resurfacing, replacement of damaged sidewalks and  
30 curbs, addition of lighting to unlit or dark areas, an upgrade of the  
31 irrigation system, and landscaping and plantings for the North Entry  
32 Promenade I and II of the State Capitol Grounds, in a sum not to  
33 exceed.....\$538,112.

34 (D) for drains and storm water system renovations of the State Capitol  
35 Grounds, in a sum not to exceed.....\$483,000.

36 (E) for maintenance of State Capitol restroom facilities, in a sum not



1 to exceed.....\$500,000.

2 (F) for interior plumbing and sump pump replacement for the State  
3 Capitol building, in a sum not to exceed.....\$108,393.

4 (G) for electrical panel replacement in the State Capitol building, in  
5 a sum not to exceed.....\$212,980.

6 (H) for expenses for State Capitol as-built drawings, in a sum not to  
7 exceed.....\$250,000.

8 (I) for "Green" Initiatives for the State Capitol building, facilities  
9 and grounds including ventilation system cleaning, energy efficiency  
10 improvements and assessment, analysis and consulting services, recycling  
11 programs and/or related construction, renovation and equipping of and/or  
12 conversion to or purchase of Compressed Natural Gas vehicles and equipment  
13 including installation of a refueling station, in a sum not to  
14 exceed.....\$1,500,000.

15 (J) for replacement of voting machine equipment statewide, in a sum not  
16 to exceed.....\$30,000,000.

17 (K) for stone restoration, cleaning and repointing on the East Side of  
18 the State Capitol building, in a sum not to exceed.....\$3,500,000.

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20 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
21 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
22 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
23 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
24 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
25 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
26 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
27 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
28 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
29 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
30 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
31 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

1 funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.

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

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12 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
13 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
14 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
15 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2015 is essential to the operation of  
16 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
17 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
18 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2015 could work irreparable harm  
19 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
20 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
21 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
22 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2015.