

1 State of Arkansas
2 90th General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 643

5 By: Senator J. Hendren
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
9 EDUCATION FOR GRANTS AND AID TO FULLY FUND THE PER-
10 PUPIL FACILITY ASSISTANCE FOR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC
11 CHARTER SCHOOLS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
12 2016; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -
16 GRANTS AND AID PER-PUPIL FACILITY
17 ASSISTANCE FOR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC
18 CHARTER SCHOOLS APPROPRIATION FOR THE
19 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - PER-PUPIL FACILITY ASSISTANCE. There is
26 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the
27 Department of Education Public School Fund Account, for grants and aid to
28 fully fund per-pupil facility assistance for open-enrollment public charter
29 schools 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) PER-PUPIL FACILITY ASSISTANCE FOR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS - GRANTS AND AID	<u>\$15,000,000</u>



1 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
2 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
3 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
4 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
5 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
6 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
7 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
8 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
9 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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