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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 243

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 98,  
9 ALSO KNOWN AS THE "ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA  
10 AMENDMENT OF 2016"; TO AMEND THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER  
11 EDUCATION PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND AND THE SKILLS  
12 DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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15 TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA  
16 AMENDMENT OF 2016; AND TO AMEND THE  
17 DEPARTMENT OF CAREER EDUCATION PUBLIC  
18 SCHOOL FUND AND THE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT  
19 FUND.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. Pursuant to § 23 of Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 98,  
26 also known as the "Arkansas Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2016", Arkansas  
27 Constitution, Amendment 98, § 17(b)(6), concerning the Vocational and  
28 Technical Training Special Revenue Fund, is amended to read as follows:

29 (6)(A) Fifty percent (50%) to a special revenue account credited  
30 to the ~~Vocational and Technical Training Special Revenue Fund~~ Department of  
31 Career Education Public School Fund or its successor fund or fund account, to  
32 be used exclusively by the ~~Department of Finance and Administration~~  
33 Department of Career Education or its successor for vocational start-up  
34 grants to: ~~technical institutes and vocational technical schools for personal~~  
35 ~~services and operating expenses, scholarships, research, development and~~  
36 ~~delivery of education coursework and math and science coursework, and~~



1 ~~acquisition, equipment acquisition, and infrastructure costs, including~~  
2 ~~without limitation site development costs, construction, improvements,~~  
3 ~~landscaping, renovation, dormitory renovation, major maintenance, and the~~  
4 ~~building of roads and parking lots~~

5 (i) Start and upgrade career and technical programs,  
6 including without limitation vocational programs;

7 (ii) Support the minimum required equipment to meet  
8 program standards; and

9 (iii) Support short-term adult skills training  
10 classes.

11 ~~(B) The General Assembly shall by law create the Vocational and~~  
12 ~~Technical Training Special Revenue Fund no later than July 1, 2017.~~

13 ~~(C) The Department of Finance and Administration~~ Department of  
14 Career Education or its successor shall promulgate rules to implement the  
15 grant program described in this subdivision ~~(b)(7)~~ (b)(6) by July 1, 2017;  
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17 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301, concerning the enumeration of  
18 special revenues, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as  
19 follows:

20 (255) All sales tax revenues collected by the Department of Finance  
21 and Administration from the sale of usable marijuana under the Arkansas  
22 Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2016.

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24 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 19-5-305(a)(2), concerning the Department  
25 of Career Education Public School Fund Account, is amended to read as  
26 follows:

27 (2) Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account.  
28 The Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account shall be used  
29 for grants and aids for the programs administered by the Department of Career  
30 Education consisting of, but not limited to:

31 (A) General adult education grants;

32 (B) Adult basic education grants;

33 (C) Manpower development and training grants;

34 (D) Vocational-technical and adult education, including  
35 without limitation starting and upgrading career and technical programs as  
36 described in Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 98, § 17(b)(6); and

1                   (E) Such other grants and aids as may be authorized by law  
2 for disbursement by the Department of Career Education; and

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4           SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 19-6-830(b), concerning the Skills  
5 Development Fund, is amended to read as follows:

6           (b) The fund shall consist of:

7                   (1) Moneys obtained from private grants or other sources that  
8 are designated to be credited to the fund; ~~and~~

9                   (2) Ten percent (10%) of the sales tax revenues collected by the  
10 Department of Finance and Administration from the sale of usable marijuana  
11 under the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2016; and

12                   (3) Any other revenues as may be authorized by law.  
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