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4

A Bill

SENATE BILL 469

5 By: Senator Teague
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
9 ARKANSAS HERITAGE FOR GENERAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS;
10 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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13 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS
14 HERITAGE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT
15 APPROPRIATION.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS FOR MUSEUMS.

21 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Arkansas Heritage, to be
22 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
23 accounts, the following:
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25 (A) for grants for maintenance and operations, construction, repairs
26 and equipment for museums focused on science, technology, engineering and
27 mathematics, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.
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29 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - MARITIME MUSEUM GRANTS. There is hereby
30 appropriated, to the Department of Arkansas Heritage, to be payable from the
31 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
32 following:

33 (A) for grants for personal services, operating expenses, maintenance,
34 construction, repairs, and purchase of equipment for maritime museums, in a
35 sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.
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1 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS. There is hereby
2 appropriated, to the Department of Arkansas Heritage, to be payable from the
3 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
4 following:

5 (A) for grants for various maintenance, renovation, equipping,
6 construction, acquisition, improvement, upgrade, and repair of real property
7 and facilities, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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9 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - MATCHING GRANTS. There is hereby
10 appropriated, to the Department of Arkansas Heritage, to be payable from the
11 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
12 following:

13 (A) for matching grants for construction, improvements, renovation,
14 equipping, supplies, upgrades, operating expenses and maintenance for
15 historical monuments, markers, structures, tours, and documents related to
16 African American Arkansans, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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18 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS. There is hereby
19 appropriated, to the Department of Arkansas Heritage - Mosaic Templars of
20 America Center for African-American Culture and Business Enterprise, to be
21 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
22 accounts, the following:

23 (A) for personal services, operating expenses, various maintenance,
24 renovation, equipping, construction, acquisition, improvement, and upgrade
25 and repair of real property and facilities, in a sum not to exceed
26\$10,000,000.

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28 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS. There is hereby
29 appropriated, to the Department of Arkansas Heritage - Historic Preservation,
30 to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
31 accounts, the following:

32 (A) for grants for various maintenance, renovation, equipping,
33 construction, acquisition, improvement, upgrade and repair of real property
34 and facilities or for real property or facilities that are listed on the
35 National Register of Historic Places, in a sum not to exceed
36\$5,000,000.

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2 SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
3 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

4 Notwithstanding any other rules, regulations or provision of law to the
5 contrary the appropriations authorized in this Act shall not be restricted by
6 requirements that may be applicable to other programs currently administered.
7 New rules and regulations may be adopted to carry out the intent of the
8 General Assembly regarding the appropriations authorized in this Act.

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10 SECTION 8. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
11 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
12 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
13 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
14 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
15 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
16 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
17 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
18 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
19 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
20 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
21 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

22 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State
23 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the
24 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of
25 this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
26 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
27 disbursement of any funds provided by this act unless specifically provided
28 otherwise by law.

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30 SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
31 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
32 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
33 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
34 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
35 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
36 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative

1 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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SECTION 10. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2017 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2017 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2017.