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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1949

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE REVENUE STABILIZATION LAW; TO
9 DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

12 TO AMEND THE REVENUE STABILIZATION LAW;
14 AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. The purpose of this act is to amend the
20 Revenue Stabilization Law, §19-5-101 et seq.

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22 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 19, Chapter 5, Subchapter 12, is
23 amended to add one additional section to read as follows:

24 19-5-1269. ARSafeSchools Fund.

25 (a) There is created on the books of the Treasurer of State, the
26 Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a miscellaneous
27 fund to be known as the "ARSafeSchools Fund".

28 (b) The fund shall consist of:

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

31 (2) Any other funds authorized or provided by law.

32 (c) The fund shall be used by the University of Arkansas for Medical
33 Sciences Psychiatric Research Institute solely to create and maintain the
34 ARSafeSchools school safety and crisis line under §6-18-111.

35 (d) Moneys remaining in the fund at the end of each fiscal year shall
36 carry forward and be made available for the purposes stated in this section



1 in the next fiscal year.

2 (e) The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Psychiatric
3 Research Institute is not required to implement provisions of this section if
4 the ARSafeSchools school safety and crisis line under §6-18-111 is not
5 funded.

6 (f)(1) The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Psychiatric
7 Research Institute shall submit an annual report containing the following
8 information to the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in
9 session, the Joint Budget Committee:

10 (A) The balance of the fund as of the reporting date;

11 (B) A list of administrative costs paid for from the fund,
12 including without limitation salaries, pensions, and packages;

13 (C) The total revenue received by the fund during the reporting
14 period; and

15 (D) A detailed description of steps taken to create and
16 implement the ARSafeSchools school safety and crisis line.

17 (2) The annual report required under this subsection shall be
18 submitted by January 1 and July 1 of each year.

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20 SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
21 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that changes in the state's fiscal
22 laws must take effect at the beginning of the fiscal year, and that if the
23 current legislative session is extended such that the ninety-day period after
24 adjournment sine die is later than July 1, 2021, the changes required by this
25 act will not be timely. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and
26 this act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health,
27 and safety shall become effective on July 1, 2021.