

**HB144 ENROLLED**



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3 By Representative Garrett  
4 RFD: Ways and Means Education  
5 First Read: 07-Feb-24



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 To make a conditional appropriation for the fiscal year  
4 ending September 30, 2024, from the Education Trust Fund to  
5 the Executive Commission on Community Services Grants, and to  
6 the Lieutenant Governor for the K-12 Capital Grant Program in  
7 the total amount of \$29,998,245 and make supplemental  
8 appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024,  
9 from the Education Trust Fund to various agencies and entities  
10 in a total amount of \$651,202,906.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

12 Section 1. In addition to all other appropriations  
13 heretofore or hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated  
14 \$29,998,245 from the Education Trust Fund conditioned upon  
15 HB415 or another bill being enacted in the 2024 Regular  
16 Session repealing the Distressed Institutions of Higher  
17 Education Revolving Loan Program. Of this amount, \$15,000,000  
18 shall be appropriated to the K-12 Capital Grant Program,  
19 pursuant to Section 29-4-51, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide  
20 grants to eligible school systems to assist with capital  
21 projects, deferred maintenance, or technology needs; and  
22 \$14,998,245 shall be appropriated to the Executive Commission  
23 on Community Services Grants to be distributed pursuant to  
24 Section 29-2-123, Code of Alabama 1975.

25 Section 2. In addition to all other appropriations  
26 heretofore or hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated a  
27 total of \$651,202,906 from the Education Trust Fund to the  
28 following agencies and entities for the purposes specified



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29 below for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024:

30 (1) To the Department of Finance, Division of Risk  
31 Management, for the State Insurance Fund, \$5,000,000.

32 (2) To the State Board of Education - Local Boards of  
33 Education, \$94,224,918. Of this amount, \$13,839,874 shall be  
34 used for ASIMS; \$15,000,000 shall be used for purchases of new  
35 buses based on the current age and mileage of existing buses  
36 as recommended by the State Superintendent of Education and  
37 approved by the Governor; \$10,000,000 shall be used for Career  
38 Tech O&M to expand support for CTE through the purchase of  
39 equipment, consumables, and supplies; \$25,000,000 shall be  
40 used for core-adoption textbooks; \$22,229,387 shall be used to  
41 fund the current school nurse matrix; and \$8,155,657 shall be  
42 used for unanticipated Foundation Program shortfalls.

43 (3) To the State Department of Education for one-time  
44 expenses, \$64,375,000. Of this amount, \$750,000 shall be used  
45 for the provisions of the Principal Leadership and Mentoring  
46 Act, which amount shall be carried forward into the fiscal  
47 year ending September 30, 2025 for the same purpose if not  
48 expended by the end of the fiscal year; \$400,000 shall be used  
49 for the Birmingham Education Foundation; \$15,000,000 shall be  
50 used for summer reading camps to support literacy attainment;  
51 \$17,000,000 shall be used for College and Career Readiness  
52 grants to continue expansion of support for activities that  
53 increase students' awareness of postsecondary opportunities;  
54 \$4,000,000 shall be distributed to the Teacher's Liability  
55 Trust Fund; \$5,000,000 shall be used to develop programs for  
56 struggling readers beyond grade 3; \$2,500,000 shall be used



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57 for Ed Farm; \$9,000,000 shall be used for a grant program for  
58 charter schools with funds to be allocated among the schools  
59 on a per pupil basis and used for the same purposes allowed  
60 for the Advancement and Technology Fund appropriations  
61 pursuant to Section 29-9-4, Code of Alabama 1975; \$2,000,000  
62 shall be used for Plasma Games curriculum; \$6,650,000 shall be  
63 used for capital projects at the American Village; \$700,000  
64 shall be used for the Wooley Institute for Spoken Language  
65 (WISE); \$500,000 shall be used for Small Magic school  
66 readiness programs; \$300,000 shall be used for the 1st Grade  
67 Readiness Pilot Project; \$75,000 shall be expended for the  
68 Youth Entrepreneurial CEO Program; and \$500,000 shall be used  
69 by the Department of Education for an educational technology  
70 assessment pilot program that will provide six public school  
71 systems with a local inventory dashboard of education software  
72 programs used by their students and teachers. The pilot  
73 program shall compile usage data by educator and student,  
74 conduct rapid-cycle evaluations to measure the effectiveness  
75 of education software programs based on student outcomes, and  
76 support evidence-based analysis of education software programs  
77 aligned to the required levels of evidence in the Every  
78 Student Succeeds Act. Public school systems voluntarily  
79 participating in the pilot program shall be provided  
80 request-initiated workflows for educational technology  
81 procurement and adoption that allow for the assignment of  
82 internal district reviewers along with teacher and staff  
83 feedback. Of the above amount, \$6,000 shall be reserved for  
84 the Alabama Leaders in Educational Technology (ALET) to assist



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85 the department in selecting voluntary school district  
86 participation, managing the pilot program, and preparing an  
87 interim and final report on the pilot program.

88 (4) a. To the Department of Commerce for one-time  
89 expenses, \$8,300,000. Of this amount, \$2,450,000 shall be used  
90 for the Talent Triad; \$5,000,000 shall be used to support a  
91 Biotech Workforce Center in Birmingham; and \$850,000 shall be  
92 used to engage a third-party entity to conduct a statewide  
93 assessment of Alabama's key economic development-related  
94 infrastructure along targeted growth corridors in the state.  
95 The statewide assessment shall encompass, but not be limited  
96 to, the following infrastructure components:

97 1. Transportation infrastructure, including road, rail,  
98 air, and sea transportation systems;

99 2. Digital infrastructure, including high-speed  
100 Internet and advanced telecommunications infrastructure;

101 3. Utilities infrastructure, including gas and electric  
102 generation, storage, transmission, and distribution; and

103 4. Water and sanitation infrastructure, including water  
104 supply and wastewater systems.

105 b. The assessment shall prioritize the geographic areas  
106 of the state with high potential for economic growth,  
107 identifying current capacities, future needs, and strategic  
108 investments required to facilitate sustainable development  
109 across the state. The third-party entity performing the  
110 assessment shall be selected by a committee of three members,  
111 with each of the following, or his or her designee, having the  
112 authority to appoint one member:



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- 113           1. Speaker of the House of Representatives;  
114           2. President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and  
115           3. Secretary of the Alabama Department of Commerce.

116           (5) To the Alabama Department of Revenue, \$51,000,000.  
117 Of this amount, \$50,000,000 shall be distributed to the CHOOSE  
118 Act Fund established by Act 2024-21 of the 2024 Regular  
119 Session of the Legislature for the purpose of funding  
120 Education Savings Accounts; and \$1,000,000 shall be used for  
121 Education Savings Account administration.

122           (6) To the Alabama School of Healthcare Sciences in  
123 Demopolis for one-time expenses, \$15,000,000. This  
124 appropriation is contingent upon the Alabama School of  
125 Healthcare Sciences Foundation adopting a policy or plan that  
126 recognizes and protects, to the extent practical, this  
127 investment by the State of Alabama in the event that a school  
128 does not open in Demopolis or the school, upon opening, fails  
129 to operate for at least 10 years. The plan or policy shall be  
130 delivered to the Finance Director, Chair of the Senate  
131 Committee on Finance and Taxation-Education, and Chair of the  
132 House Ways and Means-Education Committee prior to the  
133 distribution of any funds contemplated by this appropriation.

134           (7) To the Alabama Supercomputer Authority for next  
135 generation firewalls for new sites, \$1,100,000.

136           (8) To the Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind for the  
137 Montgomery Regional Center relocation/expansion, \$3,464,931.

138           (9) To the Marine Environmental Sciences Consortium for  
139 one-time expenses for deferred maintenance, renovation of  
140 existing facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing or



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141 future capital projects, \$4,000,000.

142 (10) To Alabama A&M University for one-time expenses  
143 for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities,  
144 or expenses associated with ongoing capital projects,  
145 \$12,000,000.

146 (11) To Alabama State University for one-time expenses  
147 for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities,  
148 or expenses associated with ongoing capital projects,  
149 \$9,000,000.

150 (12) To The University of Alabama System, \$66,000,000.  
151 Of this amount, \$63,000,000 shall be used for expenses  
152 associated with recruiting and retaining students and faculty  
153 or one-time expenses for increasing research capacity,  
154 deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or  
155 ongoing capital projects; and \$3,000,000 shall be used by The  
156 University of Alabama in Huntsville for one-time expenses for  
157 cybersecurity.

158 (13) To Athens State University for one-time expenses  
159 for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities,  
160 or expenses associated with ongoing capital projects,  
161 \$5,750,000.

162 (14) To Auburn University, \$28,675,000. Of this amount,  
163 \$25,450,000 shall be used for one-time expenses for increasing  
164 research capacity, deferred maintenance, renovation of  
165 existing facilities, or ongoing capital projects; \$3,000,000  
166 shall be used for the McCrary Institute; \$175,000 shall be  
167 used for Eagles Wings; and \$50,000 shall be used by the  
168 College of Veterinary Medicine for a mobile veterinary



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169 medicine partnership.

170 (15) To Auburn University at Montgomery for one-time  
171 expenses for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing  
172 facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing capital  
173 projects, \$5,250,000.

174 (16) To Jacksonville State University, \$12,700,000. Of  
175 this amount, \$12,000,000 shall be used for one-time expenses  
176 for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities,  
177 or expenses associated with ongoing capital projects; and  
178 \$700,000 shall be used for the Paint Rock Forest Research  
179 Center.

180 (17) To the University of Montevallo for one-time  
181 expenses for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing  
182 facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing capital  
183 projects, \$9,250,000.

184 (18) To the University of North Alabama for one-time  
185 expenses for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing  
186 facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing capital  
187 projects, \$14,000,000.

188 (19) To the University of South Alabama, \$23,000,000.  
189 Of this amount, \$22,500,000 shall be used for one-time  
190 expenses for increasing research capacity, deferred  
191 maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or ongoing  
192 capital projects; and \$500,000 shall be used for one-time  
193 expenses for the marine lab.

194 (20) To Troy University for one-time expenses for  
195 deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or  
196 expenses associated with ongoing capital projects,





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197 \$14,250,000.

198 (21) To the University of West Alabama, \$11,750,000. Of  
199 this amount, \$11,500,000 shall be used for one-time expenses  
200 for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities,  
201 or expenses associated with ongoing capital projects; and  
202 \$250,000 shall be used for the Biodiversity Center.

203 (22) To Tuskegee University for one-time expenses for  
204 deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or  
205 expenses associated with ongoing capital projects, \$5,000,000.

206 (23) To the Alabama Community College System for  
207 one-time expenses, \$112,390,057. Of this amount, \$25,000,000  
208 shall be used for the Alabama Energy Infrastructure Training  
209 Center at Beville State Community College; \$3,000,000 shall be  
210 used for a truck driving training track at Jefferson State  
211 Community College; \$900,000 shall be used for the Northwest  
212 Alabama Workforce Training Center; \$27,640,057 shall be used  
213 for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities,  
214 or expenses associated with ongoing capital projects; \$800,000  
215 shall be used for the Mobile Area Education Foundation;  
216 \$18,000,000 shall be used for the Alabama Centers for Rural  
217 Healthcare per Act 2023-378, of which \$3,000,000 shall be used  
218 to complete the North Alabama collaborations; and \$37,050,000  
219 shall be used to establish a Capital Fund for ongoing deferred  
220 maintenance and capital project needs of community colleges.

221 (24) To the Council on the Arts, \$3,703,000. Of this  
222 amount, \$1,000,000 shall be used for one-time expenses for  
223 deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or  
224 expenses associated with ongoing capital projects at the



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225 Shakespeare Festival; \$175,000 shall be used for the Alabama  
226 Symphony Orchestra; and \$2,528,000 shall be used for the  
227 facilities grant program. The Council of the Arts may award  
228 grants from the facilities grant program for projects that  
229 build, renovate, restore, preserve, or enhance arts facilities  
230 in Alabama, including performing arts centers, art museums and  
231 galleries, multi-purpose arts centers, artist residency  
232 facilities, and outdoor performance venues. Eligible entities  
233 include: (i) 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organizations chartered  
234 in Alabama, active and in good standing with the Internal  
235 Revenue Service and the council; or (ii) an entity of local  
236 government. Grant amounts shall not exceed \$100,000 to any one  
237 entity, with the first two grants being reserved for the  
238 Princess Theater for the Performing Arts for \$75,000, and the  
239 ACTA Theatre for the maximum amount.

240 (25) To the Alabama Department of Public Health,  
241 \$7,450,000. Of this amount, \$5,000,000 shall be used to  
242 coordinate with The University of Alabama at Birmingham for  
243 the establishment of a North Alabama rural dental clinic  
244 residency program; \$250,000 shall be used for Lions Sight eye  
245 screenings; and \$2,200,000 shall be used for the Medical  
246 Education Consortium for the expansion of the primary care  
247 physician pipeline for rural and underserved Alabama.

248 (26) To the Lieutenant Governor for the K-12 Capital  
249 Grant Program pursuant to Section 29-4-51, Code of Alabama  
250 1975, to provide grants to eligible school systems to assist  
251 with capital projects, deferred maintenance, or technology  
252 needs, \$15,000,000. Any K-12 entity awarded a grant pursuant



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253 to the program shall be allowed to amend their original grant  
254 proposal if necessary to allow full utilization of the funds  
255 awarded for an eligible purpose.

256 (27) To the Department of Agriculture and Industries  
257 for educational programs at Landmark Park, \$250,000.

258 (28) To the Firefighters' Personnel Standards and  
259 Education Commission/Fire College, \$1,400,000. Of this amount,  
260 \$1,200,000 shall be used for an aerial apparatus; and \$200,000  
261 shall be used for the Volunteer Firefighter Training Program.

262 (29) To the Alabama Commission on Higher Education,  
263 \$13,920,000. Of this amount, \$4,000,000 shall be used for the  
264 Deferred Maintenance Program for Historically Black Colleges  
265 and Universities in the state with no matching fund  
266 requirements by the institution receiving a grant; \$2,500,000  
267 shall be used for the Birmingham Zoo - Alabama Veterinary  
268 Teaching Hospital; \$270,000 shall be used for the Best and  
269 Brightest STEM Pilot Program pursuant to the provisions of Act  
270 2020-204; \$850,000 shall be used for the EarlyWorks Museum in  
271 Huntsville; \$250,000 shall be used for the NCAA Women's  
272 Basketball Tournament; \$250,000 shall be used for the  
273 Para-Cycling Road World Championship; \$500,000 shall be used  
274 for the SEC Baseball Tournament; \$100,000 shall be used for  
275 Selma University; \$200,000 shall be used for the Southern  
276 Museum of Flight; \$500,000 shall be used for the USS Alabama  
277 Battleship; and \$4,500,000 shall be used for the ReEngage  
278 Alabama Grant Program pursuant to Act 2023-539.

279 (30) To the Historical Commission, \$6,300,000. Of this  
280 amount, \$75,000 shall be used for the Jesse Owens Memorial;



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281 \$75,000 shall be used for the Helen Keller Foundation;  
282 \$100,000 shall be used for the Cahaba Heritage Homestead  
283 Foundation, Inc.; \$800,000 shall be used for the Community  
284 Foundation of Northeast Alabama for one-time capital outlay  
285 expenses for Remington Hall at the former Fort McClellan;  
286 \$950,000 shall be used for Historic Blakeley Authority;  
287 \$100,000 shall be used for Blacksmith Forge in Loachapoka;  
288 \$200,000 shall be used for Historic Coppinville School Park in  
289 Enterprise; \$50,000 shall be used for the Harrison Brothers  
290 Hardware Civil Rights Site; \$75,000 shall be used for  
291 Lafayette's Visit Commemoration; \$250,000 shall be used for  
292 the Historic Looney's Tavern Theater renovation; \$575,000  
293 shall be used for the Historic Old State Bank renovation;  
294 \$50,000 shall be used for Pratt City Historic signage;  
295 \$1,000,000 shall be used for the Operating Grant Program  
296 pursuant to the provisions of Act 2023-379; and \$2,000,000  
297 shall be used for the Clotilda Project.

298 (31) To the Legislative Council for the construction  
299 and/or equipping of the new State House and Capitol complex  
300 renovations in order to provide enhanced educational  
301 opportunities for school children, college students, and other  
302 residents from throughout the state, \$25,000,000.

303 (32) To the Department of Rehabilitation Services for  
304 United Ability, \$100,000.

305 (33) To the Space Science Exhibit Commission, \$500,000.

306 (34) To the Alabama School of Fine Arts, \$650,000.

307 (35) To the Alabama School of Cyber Technology and  
308 Engineering, \$650,000.



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309                   (36) To the Alabama School of Mathematics and Science,  
310 \$650,000.

311                   (37) To the Legislative Services Agency to hire a  
312 consultant to assist with the study of modernizing K-12  
313 education school funding pursuant to Act 2024-128, \$150,000.

314                   Section 3. This act shall become effective immediately.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was passed by the House 16-Apr-24, as amended.

John Treadwell  
Clerk

Senate	<hr/> <b>02-May-24</b> <hr/>	Amended and Passed
House	<hr/> <b>09-May-24</b> <hr/>	Passed, as amended by Conference Committee Report
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