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A Bill

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL
9 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 EDUCATION - AND ITS VARIOUS DIVISIONS; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -
15 AND ITS VARIOUS DIVISIONS
16 REAPPROPRIATION.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. REAPPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - GENERAL
23 IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education,
24 to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
25 accounts, for the Department of Education the following:

26 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
27 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 1382 of 2013, for grants to eligible public
28 schools for school recognition awards to be used for nonrecurring bonuses to
29 faculty and staff, nonrecurring expenditures for educational equipment or
30 materials or temporary school personnel by the Arkansas School Recognition
31 Program, in a sum not to exceed.....\$28,383.

32 (B) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
33 in Item (B) Section 1 of Act 1382 of 2013, for grants for construction,
34 improvements, equipment, maintenance and operating costs for community
35 organizations where schools are in jeopardy of being closed or consolidated,
36 in a sum not to exceed.....\$60,000.



1 (C) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
2 in Item (C) Section 1 of Act 1382 of 2013, for grants for after-school,
3 literacy, and nutrition services for at-risk children and youth, in a sum not
4 to exceed.....\$31,250.

5 (D) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
6 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 703 of 2013, for the payment of financial awards
7 to public schools through the Arkansas School Recognition Program, in a sum
8 not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

9 (E) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
10 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 672 of 2013, for grants and personal services
11 and operating expenses for empowering students in Arkansas to understand
12 entrepreneurship and leverage broadband technologies to innovate and improve
13 their economic and overall well being, in a sum not to exceed.....\$89,000.

14 (F) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
15 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 383 of 2013, for grants for a pilot program to
16 establish breakfast nutritional programs in public schools, in a sum not to
17 exceed.....\$1,000,000.

18 (G) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
19 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 688 of 2013, for grants to institutes that re-
20 imagine education in traditional public schools for personal services and
21 operating expenses, equipment and maintenance expenses, in a sum not to
22 exceed.....\$25,000.

23 (H) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
24 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 396 of 2013, for grants to programs affiliated
25 with the National Math and Science Initiative for personal services and
26 operating expenses, technology, materials and any other resources needed to
27 support and enhance the Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program, in
28 a sum not to exceed.....\$900,000.

29 (I) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
30 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 829 of 2013, for grants to school districts in
31 fiscal distress for personal services and operating expenses, construction,
32 improvements, equipment, renovation and maintenance expenses, in a sum not to
33 exceed.....\$1,000,000.

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35 SECTION 2. REAPPROPRIATION - TRUST FUND - RENOVATION AND REPAIRS.

36 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable

1 from the Educational Buildings Maintenance Fund, for the Department of
2 Education the following:

3 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
4 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 439 of 2013, for renovation and repairs to the
5 existing Department of Education Capitol Complex facilities, in a sum not to
6 exceed.....\$2,790,787.

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8 SECTION 3. REAPPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC
9 FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby
10 appropriated, to the Department of Education - Division of Public School
11 Academic Facilities and Transportation, to be payable from the General
12 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for the Department
13 of Education - Division of Public School Academic Facilities and
14 Transportation the following:

15 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
16 in Item (A) Section 2 of Act 1382 of 2013, for personal services, operating
17 expenses, and purchase of equipment for a School Bus Safety Equipment Grant
18 Pilot Program, in a sum not to exceed.....\$35,934.

19 (B) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
20 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 256 of 2013, for transfer to the Educational
21 Facilities Partnership Fund Account for use in programs of the Division of
22 Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation, in a sum not to exceed
23\$25,000,000.

24 (C) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
25 in Item (A) Section 2 of Act 1246 of 2013, for grants for the STEM Initiative
26 for Curriculum and Instruction, in a sum not to exceed.....\$500,000.

27 (D) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
28 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 255 of 2013, for grants to existing high
29 performance open enrollment public charter schools with a demonstrated record
30 of academic success for construction, improvements, equipment, renovation and
31 repairs of school owned academic facilities, in a sum not to exceed
32\$5,000,000.

33 (E) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
34 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 1228 of 2013, for a transfer to the Open
35 Enrollment Public Charter School Capital Grant Program Fund to be used for
36 grants for the repayment of debt incurred by an open enrollment public

1 charter school for academic facilities or equipment, various maintenance,
2 renovation, equipping, new construction, acquisition, improvement, upgrade
3 and repair of real property and facilities and purchase of instructional
4 materials, technology systems, and other academic equipment, in a sum not to
5 exceed.....\$1,000,000.

6 (F) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
7 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 901 of 2013, for grants and personal services
8 and operating expenses for a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) School Bus Pilot
9 Program, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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11 SECTION 4. REAPPROPRIATION - PROGRAMS OF THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL
12 ACADEMIC FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the
13 Department of Education - Division of Public School Academic Facilities and
14 Transportation, to be payable from the Educational Facilities Partnership
15 Fund Account, for the Department of Education - Division of Public School
16 Academic Facilities and Transportation the following:

17 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
18 in Item (A) Section 2 of Act 256 of 2013, for grants and aid and special
19 programs providing academic school facility and transportation assistance to
20 public school districts, in a sum not to exceed.....\$25,000,000.

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22 SECTION 5. REAPPROPRIATION - DPSAFT - OPEN ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER
23 SCHOOL CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the
24 Department of Education - Division of Public School Academic Facilities and
25 Transportation, to be payable from the Open Enrollment Public Charter School
26 Capital Grant Program Fund, for the Department of Education - Division of
27 Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation the following:

28 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
29 in Section 2 of Act 1228 of 2013, for grants for the repayment of debt
30 incurred by an open enrollment public charter school for academic facilities
31 or equipment, various maintenance, renovation, equipping, new construction,
32 acquisition, improvement, upgrade and repair of real property and facilities
33 and purchase of instructional materials, technology systems, and other
34 academic equipment, in a sum not to exceed.....\$1,000,000.

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36 SECTION 6. REAPPROPRIATION - SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND - GENERAL

1 IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education -
2 Arkansas School for the Blind, to be payable from the General Improvement
3 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for the Department of Education
4 - Arkansas School for the Blind the following:

5 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
6 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 208 of 2013, for various maintenance,
7 renovation, equipping, construction, acquisition, improvement, upgrade, and
8 repair of real property and facilities, in a sum not to exceed
9\$2,000,000.

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11 SECTION 7. REAPPROPRIATION - SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT.

12 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - Arkansas
13 School for the Deaf, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its
14 successor fund or fund accounts, for the Department of Education - Arkansas
15 School for the Deaf the following:

16 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
17 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 209 of 2013, for various maintenance,
18 renovation, equipping, construction, acquisition, improvement, upgrade, and
19 repair of real property and facilities, in a sum not to exceed
20\$4,700,000.

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22 SECTION 8. REAPPROPRIATION - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION - FEDERAL

23 FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education -
24 Educational Television Division, to be payable from the federal funds as
25 designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for the Department of
26 Education - Educational Television Division the following:

27 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
28 in Item (A) Section 7 of Act 1382 of 2013, for costs associated with General
29 Network Maintenance needed to secure the state's investment in technology, in
30 a sum not to exceed.....\$76,802.

31 (B) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
32 in Item (A) Section 2 of Act 257 of 2013, for various maintenance,
33 renovation, equipping, construction, acquisition, improvement, upgrade, and
34 repair of real property and facilities, including grant matching, in a sum
35 not to exceed.....\$200,000.

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1 SECTION 9. REAPPROPRIATION - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION - GENERAL
2 IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education -
3 Educational Television Division, to be payable from the General Improvement
4 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for the Department of Education
5 - Educational Television Division the following:

6 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
7 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 257 of 2013, for various maintenance,
8 renovation, equipping, construction, acquisition, improvement, upgrade, and
9 repair of real property and facilities, including grant matching, in a sum
10 not to exceed.....\$2,500,000.

11 (B) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
12 in Item (B) Section 1 of Act 257 of 2013, for a transfer to the Educational
13 Television Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses for the
14 "Honoring Arkansas' War Heroes - Documenting Stories of Arkansas' World War
15 II Veterans" documentation project of the Department of Education -
16 Educational Television Division, in a sum not to exceed.....\$260,000.

17 (C) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
18 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 822 of 2013, for construction, renovation,
19 maintenance, critical maintenance, equipment, security enhancements,
20 technology upgrades/equipment, acquisition, improvement, upgrade, and repair
21 of real property and facilities, including grant matching, in a sum not to
22 exceed.....\$1,000,000.
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24 SECTION 10. REAPPROPRIATION - STATE LIBRARY - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT.
25 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - Arkansas State
26 Library, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor
27 fund or fund accounts, for the Department of Education - Arkansas State
28 Library the following:

29 (A) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
30 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 624 of 2013, for a grant for personal services,
31 operating expenses, professional fees and purchase of equipment for the
32 Encyclopedia of Arkansas History and Culture Project, in a sum not to exceed
33\$120,000.

34 (B) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
35 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 632 of 2013, for grants to public libraries for
36 personal services and operating expenses, land acquisition, improvements,

1 construction, renovation, major maintenance, and purchase of equipment, in a
2 sum not to exceed.....\$500,000.

3 (C) Effective July 1, 2014, the balance of the appropriation provided
4 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 702 of 2013, for grants to libraries for
5 personal services and operating expenses, land acquisition, improvements,
6 construction, renovation, major maintenance, purchase of equipment and
7 supplies, in a sum not to exceed.....\$1,000,000.

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

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

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

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1 SECTION 13. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
2 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
3 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
4 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2014 is essential to the operation of
5 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
6 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
7 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2014 could work irreparable harm
8 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
9 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
10 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
11 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2014.

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