

1 State of Arkansas  
2 88th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2011  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1549

5 By: Representative T. Steele  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT  
9 OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
10 FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
15 - DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH -  
16 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES GENERAL  
17 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES. There is hereby  
24 appropriated, to the Department of Human Services - Division of Behavioral  
25 Health, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund  
26 or fund accounts, the following:

27 (A) for a transfer to the Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment Fund for  
28 behavioral health services to the citizens of the State of Arkansas, in a sum  
29 not to exceed.....\$300,000.  
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31 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES. There is hereby  
32 appropriated, to the Department of Human Services - Division of Behavioral  
33 Health, to be payable from the Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment Fund, for  
34 behavioral health services to the citizens of the State of Arkansas for the  
35 fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the sum of.....\$300,000.  
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1 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
2 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
3 Notwithstanding any other rules, regulations or provision of law to the  
4 contrary the appropriations authorized in this Act shall not be restricted by  
5 requirements that may be applicable to other programs currently administered.  
6 New rules and regulations may be adopted to carry out the intent of the  
7 General Assembly regarding the appropriations authorized in this Act.  
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9 SECTION 4. 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  
22 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the  
23 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of  
24 this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and  
25 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in  
26 disbursement of any funds provided by this act unless specifically provided  
27 otherwise by law.  
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29 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
30 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
31 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
32 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
33 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
34 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
35 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
36 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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SECTION 6. 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, 2011 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, 2011 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, 2011.