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4

As Engrossed: S3/27/23

A Bill

SENATE BILL 327

5 By: Senator B. Johnson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF
9 ARKANSAS - DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE FOR CAPITAL
10 IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS -
15 DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE CAPITAL
16 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - DIVISION OF
22 AGRICULTURE. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas -
23 Division of Agriculture, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the
24 State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the
25 following:

26 (A) for upgrades and renovations to the Agricultural Research and
27 Extension Centers and Stations of the Division of Agriculture, in a sum not
28 to exceed\$5,000,000.
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30 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
31 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
32 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
33 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
34 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
35 Procedures and Restrictions Act, the Higher Education Expenditure Restriction
36 Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where



1 applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
2 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
3 disbursement of said funds.

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5 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
6 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
7 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
8 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
9 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
10 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
11 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
12 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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14 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
15 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
16 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
17 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2023 is essential to the operation of
18 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
19 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
20 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2023 could work irreparable harm
21 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
22 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
23 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
24 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2023.

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26 /s/B. Johnson

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29 **APPROVED: 4/13/23**