

1 State of Arkansas  
2 88th General Assembly  
3 Fiscal Session, 2012  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 68

5 By: Senators B. Sample, J. Dismang  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR LIGNITE  
9 RESEARCH FOR THE SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY FOR  
10 THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2012; AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY  
16 - LIGNITE RESEARCH APPROPRIATION FOR THE  
17 2011-2012 FISCAL YEAR.  
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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 - LIGNITE RESEARCH. There is hereby  
24 appropriated, to the Southern Arkansas University, to be payable from the  
25 Southern Arkansas University Fund, for personal services and operating  
26 expenses related to lignite research, including professional services,  
27 supplies, purchase of equipment, construction expenses, and study and  
28 sampling expenses of lignite research, of the Southern Arkansas University  
29 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the sum of.....\$2,500,000.  
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31 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND  
33 TRANSFER. Immediately upon the passage and approval of this Act, the Chief  
34 Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his books and those of the  
35 State Treasurer and the Auditor of State the sum of two million five hundred  
36 thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) from the unobligated balance in the General



1 Improvement Fund to the Southern Arkansas University Fund to provide funds  
2 for the purposes and appropriation provided in Section 1 of this Act.

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4 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
5 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
6 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
7 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
8 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
9 Procedures and Restrictions Act, the Higher Education Expenditures  
10 Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this  
11 State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of  
12 Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied  
13 with in disbursement of said funds.

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15 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
16 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
17 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
18 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
19 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
20 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
21 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
22 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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24 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
25 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
26 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
27 effectiveness of this Act on the date of its passage and approval is  
28 essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this  
29 Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative  
30 session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond the date of its  
31 passage and approval could work irreparable harm upon the proper  
32 administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore,  
33 an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the  
34 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in  
35 full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

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