

1 State of Arkansas *As Engrossed: S2/22/22 S3/2/22*

2 93rd General Assembly

# A Bill

3 Fiscal Session, 2022

SENATE BILL 58

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES

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AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF

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EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE

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FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023; AND FOR OTHER

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PURPOSES.

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## Subtitle

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AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -

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DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2022-2023 FISCAL

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YEAR.

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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - GENERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
25 established for the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education  
26 for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular  
27 employees.

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Maximum Annual

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Maximum

Salary Rate

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Item Class

No. of

Fiscal Year

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No. Code Title

Employees

2022-2023

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(1) U024U DHE DIRECTOR

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GRADE SE05

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(2) D007C INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER

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GRADE IT08

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(3) D028C SENIOR SOFTWARE SUPPORT SPECIALIST

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GRADE IT07

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(4) D016C SENIOR TECHNOLOGY ANALYST

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GRADE IT06



1	(5)	G281C ADE POLICY & SPECIAL PROJECTS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
2	(6)	N002N DHE SENIOR ASSOC DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
3	(7)	N055N DHE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS14
4	(8)	A010C AGENCY CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE GS13
5	(9)	N054N DHE CAREER PATHWAYS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS13
6	(10)	N167N DHS POLICY & RESEARCH DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS12
7	(11)	A027C ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS11
8	(12)	G058C DHE FEDERAL PROGRAM MANAGER	2	GRADE GS11
9	(13)	E061C ACE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS10
10	(14)	G071C DHE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	6	GRADE GS10
11	(15)	E062C ACE PROGRAM ADVISOR	2	GRADE GS09
12	(16)	G102C DHE PROGRAM SPECIALIST	16	GRADE GS09
13	(17)	G080C NATIONAL & COMMUNITY SVCS EXEC. DIR.	1	GRADE GS09
14	(18)	G295C OSTEOPATHIC RURAL MED PROG ADMIN	1	GRADE GS09
15	(19)	P005C DHE COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
16	(20)	G176C VOLUNTEER PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
17	(21)	G214C GRANTS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
18	(22)	A084C PROGRAM/FIELD AUDIT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
19	(23)	G202C VOLUNTEER PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS06
20	(24)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
21	(25)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS03
22		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	47	

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24 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - GENERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 25 authorized, for the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education  
 26 for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or  
 27 temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 28 appropriated herein for such purposes: fifteen (15) temporary or part-time  
 29 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 30 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 31 for the appropriate classification.

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33 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - GENERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 34 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 35 Department of Higher Education Fund Account, for personal services and  
 36 operating expenses of the Department of Education - Division of Higher

1 Education - General Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the  
2 following:

3	4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
6	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,731,388
7	(02) EXTRA HELP	3,000
8	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	538,197
9	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
10	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	959,346
11	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	24,659
12	(C) PROF. FEES	50,000
13	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000
14	(E) DATA PROC.	0
15	(05) STATEWIDE SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT	
16	PROMOTION	<u>295,000</u>
17	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,651,590</u></u>

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19 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - STATE BOARD OF PRIVATE CAREER EDUCATION -  
20 OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to  
21 be payable from the Private Career Education Fund, for personal services and  
22 operating expenses of the State Board of Private Career Education -  
23 Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
27	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$132,666
28	(02) EXTRA HELP	20,000
29	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	42,667
30	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	63,000
32	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,000
33	(C) PROF. FEES	6,000
34	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
36	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$268,333</u></u>

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2 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - STATE BOARD OF PRIVATE CAREER EDUCATION -  
 3 OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Education -  
 4 Division of Higher Education - State Board of Private Career Education for  
 5 the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or  
 6 temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 7 appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary or part-time  
 8 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 9 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 10 for the appropriate classification.

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12 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - STUDENT ASSISTANCE GRANTS AND VARIOUS  
 13 SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education,  
 14 to be payable from the Higher Education Grants Fund Account, for providing  
 15 student assistance grants and various scholarships as provided by law of the  
 16 Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - Student Assistance  
 17 Grants and Various Scholarships for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the  
 18 following:

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20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
22	(01) ARKANSAS FUTURE GRANT	\$5,000,000
23	(02) HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES GRANT	1,500,000
24	(03) NATIONAL GUARD TUITION ASSISTANCE	
25	PROGRAM	1,400,000
26	(04) SINGLE PARENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM	175,000
27	(05) STATE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM	2,000,000
28	(06) TEACHER OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM	2,500,000
29	(07) AR GEOGRAPHICAL CRITICAL NEEDS	
30	MINORITY TEACHER SCHOLARSHIPS	150,000
31	(08) DEPENDENTS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT	
32	OFFICERS, ETC SCHOLARSHIPS	400,000
33	(09) DEPENDENTS OF POWS, MIAS,	
34	KIAS-TUITION WAIVER SCHOLARSHIPS	1,500,000
35	(10) SREB MINORITY DOCTORAL SCHOLARS	175,000
36	(11) WASHINGTON CENTER SCHOLARSHIPS	150,000

1	(12) TUITION ADJUSTMENT	350,000
2	(13) AR ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIPS	25,000,000
3	(14) AR GOVERNOR'S SCHOLAR	22,000,000
4	(15) STUDENT UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH	
5	FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (SURF)	150,000
6	(16) GOVERNOR'S HIGHER EDUCATION TRANSITION	
7	SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM	<u>2,000,000</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$64,450,000</u></u>

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## 10 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - TECHNICAL EDUCATION - FEDERAL PROGRAMS.

11 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable  
 12 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the  
 13 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of  
 14 Education - Division of Higher Education - Technical Education - Federal  
 15 Programs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

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17	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
18	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
19	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$152,979
20	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	46,673
21	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
22	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	107,271
23	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	80,000
24	(C) PROF. FEES	110,000
25	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
26	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
27	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$496,923</u></u>

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## 29 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. There is

30 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 31 Research Development Fund, for providing Arkansas Research Development  
 32 Program Grants to Institutions of Higher Education by the Department of  
 33 Education - Division of Higher Education for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
 34 2023, the following:

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36	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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1	<u>NO.</u>		<u>2022-2023</u>
2	(01) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM		
3	GRANTS		<u>\$1,000,000</u>
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5 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - HEALTH EDUCATION GRANTS AND LOANS. There is  
 6 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 7 Higher Education Grants Fund Account, for payments of contracts and loans  
 8 with participating out-of-state institutions of higher learning in the fields  
 9 of dentistry, optometry, veterinary medicine, chiropractic, and podiatry for  
 10 the education of Arkansas citizens by the Department of Education - Division  
 11 of Higher Education - Health Education Grants and Loans for the fiscal year  
 12 ending June 30, 2023, the following:

14	ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>		<u>2022-2023</u>
16	(01) CHIROPRACTIC AID		\$260,000
17	(02) DENTAL AID - GRANTS		2,950,000
18	(03) OPTOMETRY AID - GRANTS		650,000
19	(04) PODIATRY AID		130,400
20	(05) VETERINARY AID FORGIVENESS PROGRAM		1,750,000
21	(06) DENTAL AID - LOANS		987,370
22	(07) OPTOMETRY AID - LOANS		140,000
23	(08) VETERINARY MED. LOAN FORGIVENESS		
24	PROGRAM		<u>250,000</u>
25	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		<u>\$7,117,770</u>

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 27 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
 28 Department of Education, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the  
 29 State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
 30 operating expenses of the Department of Education - Division of Higher  
 31 Education - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

33	ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>		<u>2022-2023</u>
35	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE		\$269,233

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	32,865
2	(C) PROF. FEES	63,932
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
4	(E) DATA PROC.	0
5	(02) SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>50,000</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$416,030</u></u>

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## 8 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - PRIVATE CAREER EDUCATION BOARD - CASH.

9 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable  
 10 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief  
 11 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of  
 12 Education - Division of Higher Education - Private Career Education Board -  
 13 Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
17	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$9,500
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
20	(C) PROF. FEES	5,000
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
22	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
23	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$20,500</u></u>

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25 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - STUDENT PROTECTION TRUST. There is hereby  
 26 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Private  
 27 Career School Student Protection Trust Fund, for expenses, claims and fees of  
 28 the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - State Board of  
 29 Private Career Education - Student Protection Trust for the fiscal year  
 30 ending June 30, 2023, the following:

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32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
34	(01) EXPENSES/CLAIMS/FEES	<u><u>\$300,000</u></u>

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36 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - TANF PROGRAM - FEDERAL. There is hereby

1 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the federal  
 2 funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal  
 3 services and operating expenses of the Department of Education - Division of  
 4 Higher Education - TANF Program - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
 5 2023, the following:

7 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
8 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
9 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$206,250
10 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	64,566
11 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
12 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	44,049
13 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
14 (C) PROF. FEES	4,784
15 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
16 (E) DATA PROC.	0
17 (04) SELF SUFFICIENCY/JOB TRAINING GRANTS	<u>6,821,431</u>
18 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,151,080</u></u>

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 20 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - WEB BASED APPLICATIONS. There is hereby  
 21 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Higher  
 22 Education Grants Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses  
 23 associated with web based applications of the Department of Education -  
 24 Division of Higher Education - Web Based Applications for the fiscal year  
 25 ending June 30, 2023, the following:

27 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
29 (01) WEB BASED APPLICATIONS PERSONAL	
30 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

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 32 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATION. There is  
 33 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 34 Higher Education Grants Fund Account, for personal services and operating  
 35 expenses of the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education -  
 36 Scholarship Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the



1 following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
5 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$334,665
6 (02) EXTRA HELP	10,000
7 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	111,692
8 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
9 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	250,000
10 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
11 (C) PROF. FEES	30,000
12 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	35,000
13 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
14 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$771,357</u></u>

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16 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - WORKFORCE INITIATIVE ACT OF 2015. There is  
 17 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 18 Workforce Initiative Act of 2015 Fund, for workforce education grants,  
 19 administrative, and operating expenses of the Department of Education -  
 20 Division of Higher Education - Workforce Initiative Act of 2015 for the  
 21 fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

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23 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
24 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
25 (01) WORKFORCE INITIATIVE ACT OF 2015	
26 EXPENSES	<u><u>\$8,000,000</u></u>

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28 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - VETERAN'S APPROVING AGENCY - STATE. There  
 29 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from  
 30 the Department of Higher Education Fund Account, for operating expenses of  
 31 the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - Veteran's  
 32 Approving Agency - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the  
 33 following:

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35 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
36 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>

1	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$3,000
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
4	(C) PROF. FEES	0
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
6	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
7	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,000</u></u>

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9 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - VETERAN'S APPROVING AGENCY - FEDERAL.

10 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable  
 11 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the  
 12 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of  
 13 Education - Division of Higher Education - Veteran's Approving Agency -  
 14 Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

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16	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
17	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
18	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$203,401
19	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	69,297
20	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
21	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	53,546
22	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	9,623
23	(C) PROF. FEES	0
24	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
25	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
26	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$335,867</u></u>

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28 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - AMERICORPS - OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 29 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 30 Department of Higher Education Fund Account, for personal services, operating  
 31 expenses, and grants and aid by the Department of Education - Division of  
 32 Higher Education - AmeriCorps - Operations for the fiscal year ending June  
 33 30, 2023, the following:

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35	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
36	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>

1	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$248,205
2	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	85,204
3	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	223,650
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	85,650
6	(C) PROF. FEES	100
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
9	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$642,809</u></u>

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11 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - AMERICORPS - GRANTS AND AID. There is  
 12 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 13 Department of Higher Education Fund Account, for grants and aid by the  
 14 Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - AmeriCorps - Grants  
 15 and Aid for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

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17	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
18	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
19	(01) GRANTS AND AID	<u><u>\$2,010,704</u></u>

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21 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - OSTEOPATHIC RURAL MEDICAL PRACTICE STUDENT  
 22 LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
 23 Department of Education, to be payable from the Higher Education Grants Fund  
 24 Account, for Osteopathic Rural Medical Practice Student Loan & Scholarship  
 25 Program loans and/or scholarships by the Department of Education - Division  
 26 of Higher Education - Osteopathic Rural Medical Practice Student Loan and  
 27 Scholarship Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

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29	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
30	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
31	(01) OSTEOPATHIC RURAL MEDICAL PRACTICE	
32	STUDENT LOANS AND SCHOLARSHIPS	<u><u>\$400,000</u></u>

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34 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION RESIDENCY  
 35 EXPANSION BOARD. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of  
 36 Education - Division of Higher Education, to be payable from the Graduate

1 Medical Education Fund, for planning grants to eligible entities for graduate  
2 medical education residency program expansion or new programs, and for board  
3 expenses and reimbursements of the Department of Education - Division of  
4 Higher Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
(01) GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION RESIDENCY EXPANSION BOARD	<u>\$400,000</u>

11 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND  
12 UNIVERSITIES GRANTS AND EXPENSES. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
13 Department of Education - Division of Higher Education, to be payable from  
14 the Higher Education Grants Fund Account, for grants for scholarships to  
15 Historically Black Colleges and Universities and for personal services and  
16 operating expenses as determined by the Division of Higher Education for  
17 outreach programs to promote awareness of those scholarships of the  
18 Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - HBCU Grants and  
19 Expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
(01) HBCU GRANTS AND EXPENSES	<u>\$4,000,000</u>

25 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - NURSING PROGRAM EXPANSION GRANTS. There  
26 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - Division of Higher  
27 Education, to be payable from the Workforce Initiative Act of 2015 Fund, for  
28 grants for the expansion or creation of nursing programs at eligible  
29 institutions of higher education statewide by the Department of Education -  
30 Division of Higher Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the  
31 following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
(01) NURSING PROGRAM EXPANSION GRANTS	<u>\$3,000,000</u>

1 SECTION 25. REGULAR SALARIES - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE. There is  
 2 hereby established for the Department of Education - Division of Higher  
 3 Education - Northwest Technical Institute for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the  
 4 following maximum number of regular employees.

5				6	Maximum Annual
7				Maximum	Salary Rate
8	Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Year
9	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2022-2023
10	(1)	N227N	NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
11	(2)	D054C	COMPUTER SUPPORT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE IT05
12	(3)	D063C	COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT05
13	(4)	D068C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT04
14	(5)	D071C	COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE IT03
15	(6)	E009C	TECHNICAL INSTITUTE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	2	GRADE GS12
16	(7)	E071C	AMMONIA & INDUSTRIAL TRAINER	2	GRADE GS10
17	(8)	E013C	EDUCATION PROGRAM MANAGER	5	GRADE GS10
18	(9)	E022C	EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION MANAGER	2	GRADE GS09
19	(10)	R014C	PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
20	(11)	E018C	SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL FACULTY	12	GRADE GS08
21	(12)	E027C	CAREER & TECHNICAL FACULTY	28	GRADE GS07
22	(13)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
23	(14)	S017C	MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
24	(15)	G144C	TECHNICAL INSTITUTE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS07
25	(16)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
26	(17)	S033C	MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
27	(18)	C035C	ASST REGISTRAR	1	GRADE GS05
28	(19)	G218C	STUDENT RECRUITMENT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05
29	(20)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	5	GRADE GS04
30	(21)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
31	(22)	A100C	PAYROLL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS04
32	(23)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	4	GRADE GS03
33	(24)	S050C	MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS03
34	(25)	S065C	MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	2	GRADE GS01
35	(26)	E077C	NWTI AMMONIA REFRIGN TECH		
36			SPEC & TRG MGR	1	GRADE GS13

1 (27) E078C NWTI BUSINESS & INDUSTRY COORDINATOR 1 GRADE GS10  
 2 MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES 81

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 4 SECTION 26. EXTRA HELP - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE. There is  
 5 hereby authorized, for the Department of Education - Division of Higher  
 6 Education - Northwest Technical Institute for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the  
 7 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as  
 8 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one  
 9 hundred thirty-five (135) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at  
 10 rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and  
 11 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate  
 12 classification.

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 14 SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE - STATE.  
 15 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable  
 16 from the Northwest Technical Institute Fund, for personal services and  
 17 operating expenses of the Department of Education - Division of Higher  
 18 Education - Northwest Technical Institute - State for the fiscal year ending  
 19 June 30, 2023, the following:

21 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
23 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,585,355
24 (02) EXTRA HELP	516,673
25 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,232,334
26 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
27 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	608,064
28 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	44,866
29 (C) PROF. FEES	0
30 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	20,000
31 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
32 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,007,292</u></u>

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 34 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE - FEDERAL.  
 35 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable  
 36 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the

1 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of  
 2 Education - Division of Higher Education - Northwest Technical Institute -  
 3 Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

4	5 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
6	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
7	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$46,120
8	(02) EXTRA HELP	245,000
9	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	34,588
10	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
11	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	14,258
12	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
13	(C) PROF. FEES	0
14	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
15	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
16	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$339,966</u></u>

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18 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION - NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE - CASH.

19 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable  
 20 from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services  
 21 and operating expenses of the Department of Education - Division of Higher  
 22 Education - Northwest Technical Institute - Cash for the fiscal year ending  
 23 June 30, 2023, the following:

24	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
26	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$721,950
27	(02) EXTRA HELP	556,450
28	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	297,891
29	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,294,530
31	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
32	(C) PROF. FEES	375,000
33	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	200,000
34	(E) DATA PROC.	0
35	(05) RESALE	325,000
36	(06) OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE	<u>2,500,000</u>

1 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED

\$6,285,821

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3 SECTION 30. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
5 EMERGENCY GRANTS & EXTRA HELP POOL. An Institution of higher education that  
6 suffers an emergency/disaster event resulting in all or a significant portion  
7 of campus operations being interrupted, may request disaster assistance  
8 through the Arkansas Department of Education - Division of Higher  
9 Education. Upon the declaration of an emergency by the Governor, the  
10 institution may request, subject to the recommendation of the Director of the  
11 Department of Education - Division of Higher Education and approval of the  
12 Governor, a grant from the Disaster Relief Fund to assist in returning that  
13 campus to operation and/or to a sister campus providing services to the  
14 students from the affected campus. Certified law enforcement officers  
15 employed by an institution of higher education may be granted jurisdiction at  
16 the sister institution, upon agreement of both institutions.  
17 The Department of Education - Division of Higher Education is authorized a  
18 pool of 500 extra help positions for use in such emergency situations. These  
19 positions may be assigned to the campus suffering the disaster event or to a  
20 sister campus providing services to the students from the affected  
21 campus. The Governor may waive the 1,500 hour limit of A.C.A. 6-63-314 on  
22 these assigned extra help pool positions.

23 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
24 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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26 SECTION 31. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
27 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
28 REALLOCATION OF RESOURCES FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION. Upon  
29 determination by the president or chancellor of an institution of higher  
30 education that a reallocation of resources for purposes of reorganization or  
31 consolidation of administrative functions within the institution is necessary  
32 for efficient and effective operations of the institution, the president or  
33 chancellor, with approval of the institution's board of trustees, may have  
34 the authority to transfer positions, appropriations and related funds between  
35 campuses, divisions, branches, and other budgetary units of the institution,  
36 after receiving prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget



1 Committee. The transfers of positions, programs, or activities shall be used  
2 for those purposes for which the appropriations were approved by the General  
3 Assembly. The transfers, consolidations, or reorganizations which involve  
4 academic programs shall be reviewed by the Division of Higher Education prior  
5 to submission to the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. Provided,  
6 however, that the institution shall be limited to submitting no more than two  
7 (2) individual transaction transfer requests during any fiscal year and shall  
8 be further limited to no more than five percent (5%) of the total General  
9 Revenue and Special Revenue appropriation, funding, positions specific to  
10 each institution, and no Tobacco Settlement funds or appropriations may be  
11 reallocated pursuant to this section.

12 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of  
13 appropriation and general revenue funding for institutions of higher  
14 education each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This  
15 is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation  
16 act(s) for institutions of higher education and the general revenue  
17 allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the  
18 Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that  
19 institutions of higher education may operate more efficiently if some  
20 flexibility is provided to institutions of higher education authorizing broad  
21 powers under this section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate  
22 that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of  
23 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this  
24 section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint  
25 Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement  
26 of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled  
27 unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is  
28 void.

29 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
30 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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32 SECTION 32. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
33 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
34 LOANS. In order to provide timely payments under financial aid appropriations  
35 made in this Act, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State is authorized to  
36 provide loans from the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund to make available all

1 funds attributable to the financial aid programs under the then current  
2 official revenue estimates. In the event of an unanticipated state revenue  
3 shortfall, any such loans remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be  
4 repaid from revenues distributed in the first two months of the next fiscal  
5 year. Funds for appropriations made in this Act for purposes other than  
6 financial aid shall not be affected by the application of this provision.

7 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
8 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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10 SECTION 33. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
11 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
12 WORK FORCE 2000 DEVELOPMENT FUND PROCEDURES. After the amounts to be made  
13 available to the various technical colleges have been determined as set out  
14 in Arkansas Code 26-51-205(d)(2)(A) and 26-51-205(d)(2)(B), such documents as  
15 may be necessary shall be processed so that funds may be transferred from the  
16 Work Force 2000 Development Fund to the State Treasury fund or fund account  
17 from which the technical college draws its general revenue support. Such  
18 funds as may be transferred shall not exceed 93.691% of the total funds  
19 available from the Work Force 2000 Development Fund during the fiscal year.  
20 In the event that a technical institute or comprehensive lifelong learning  
21 center which receives support from the Work Force 2000 Development Fund as  
22 determined by law transfers or merges into the Arkansas Technical College and  
23 Community College System for which Work Force 2000 Development Fund monies  
24 are determined by law, then the actual amount of support from the Work Force  
25 2000 Development Fund in the preceding fiscal year for such educational  
26 institution shall be made available irrespective of any other provision of  
27 law which sets out maximum levels of support from such fund.

28 The funds distributed under Arkansas Code 26-51-205(d)(2)(C) in excess of  
29 those amounts collected and distributed prior to June 30, 2014 shall be  
30 deposited into the Skills Development Fund to be used only for personal  
31 services, grants, operation, support, and improvement of occupational,  
32 vocational, technical, and workforce development programs by the Department  
33 of Career Education - Office of Skills Development. The distributions of  
34 funds under Arkansas Code 26-51-205(d)(2)(C) in excess of those amounts  
35 collected and distributed prior to June 30, 2014 shall not apply to proceeds  
36 allocated to schools, colleges and educational institutions under Arkansas

1 Code 26-51-205(d)(2)(A) and 26-51-205(d)(2)(B).

2 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
3 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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5 SECTION 34. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
7 BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND. After the sum of \$13,200,000 has been deposited  
8 into the Higher Education Building Maintenance Fund, any additional deposits  
9 are to be transferred to the Research Development Fund there to be used as  
10 provided by law.

11 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
12 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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14 SECTION 35. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
15 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
16 NATIONAL GUARD TUITION INCENTIVE PROGRAM. In addition to any other provisions  
17 of law, any student who receives assistance from the appropriation made for  
18 the "National Guard Tuition Incentive Program" in this Act shall repay any  
19 loans and/or assistance if the student receives a discharge that is a less  
20 than Honorable Discharge. Priority for funding shall be given to students  
21 already receiving assistance from the National Guard Tuition Incentive  
22 Program.

23 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
24 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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26 SECTION 36. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
27 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
28 HEALTH EDUCATION GRANTS AND LOANS - PRIORITIES. The Arkansas Higher Education  
29 Coordinating Board, after consulting with the recognized associations of each  
30 of the applicable medical professions and other interested persons, shall  
31 determine the priorities for the applicable programs enumerated in the  
32 appropriation made for "Health Education Grants and Loans" in this Act. The  
33 Arkansas Division of Higher Education, if necessary, shall re-adjust the  
34 number of positions for entering students to be funded for each applicable  
35 program based upon the priorities determined by the board.

36 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~

1 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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3 SECTION 37. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
5 FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS REPORTING. The Arkansas Department of Education -  
6 Division of Higher Education shall report by May 30 to the House and Senate  
7 Interim Committees on Education the budgeted allocation for each financial  
8 aid program funded through the Higher Education Grants Fund Account for the  
9 upcoming fiscal year and projections for the following year.

10 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
11 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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13 SECTION 38. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
14 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
15 AUDIT/REVIEW OF STATE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS. Any post-secondary institution that  
16 receives state scholarship funds administered by the Arkansas Department of  
17 Education - Division of Higher Education shall be subject to audit/review of  
18 such funds by the Division of Legislative Audit, upon approval of the  
19 Legislative Joint Audit Committee.

20 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
21 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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23 SECTION 39. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
24 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
25 FUNDING FOR SALARY INCREASES. New funding through the Revenue Stabilization  
26 Act determined by the Arkansas Department of Education - Division of Higher  
27 Education to have been for salary increases for the fiscal year for  
28 Institutions of Higher Education shall be used exclusively for salary  
29 increases. New funding actually received for salary increases shall be spent  
30 exclusively for salary increases based upon the state general revenue portion  
31 of total unrestricted educational and general revenue. Funding received under  
32 this provision shall be used for no purpose other than to provide such salary  
33 increases. Any designated funds not used for salary increases shall be  
34 recouped at the end of each fiscal year and transferred to the General  
35 Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund.

36 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~

1 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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3 SECTION 40. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE  
5 PROGRAM COORDINATOR FUNDING. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall  
6 transfer sufficient funding for the fiscal year from the Higher Education  
7 Grants Fund Account to the Division of Higher Education Fund Account in order  
8 to finance the personal services costs of a DHE Program Coordinator.

9 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
10 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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12 SECTION 41. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
13 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
14 TRANSFER PROVISION. Upon certification by the Director of the Division of  
15 Higher Education that transfers are needed to make maximum utilization of  
16 funds and appropriations provided for financial aid programs, and with the  
17 approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and a review by the  
18 Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, funds and  
19 appropriations may be transferred between financial aid programs to more  
20 adequately align the appropriation with the number of eligible students.

21 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
22 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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24 SECTION 42. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
25 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
26 TRANSFER OF HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS FUND APPROPRIATIONS - HEALTH EDUCATION  
27 GRANTS AND LOANS. Upon certification to and with the approval of the Chief  
28 Fiscal Officer of the State, surplus funds and appropriations may be  
29 transferred between the appropriations provided for "Health Education Grants  
30 and Loans" by this Act by the General Assembly for Dental Aid Grants and  
31 Loans, Optometry Aid Grants and Loans, Veterinary Aid, Veterinary Med. Loan  
32 Forgiveness Program, Podiatry Aid, and Chiropractic Aid.

33 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
34 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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36 SECTION 43. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

1 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
2 CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATIONS - TRANSFERS AND REPORTS. (a) Upon approval by  
3 the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education and the Chief  
4 Fiscal Officer of the State, institutions of higher education may transfer  
5 appropriation from the cash contingency appropriation to any other  
6 appropriation made to the institution from cash funds including the  
7 establishment of commitment items, and may transfer appropriation from the  
8 contingency appropriation made payable from each institution's State Treasury  
9 Fund to the state operations appropriation made payable from each  
10 institution's State Treasury Fund including the establishment of commitment  
11 items, and may transfer appropriation from the contingency appropriation made  
12 payable from the Tobacco Settlement Program Fund Accounts to any other  
13 appropriation made to the institution from Tobacco Settlement Program Fund  
14 Accounts including the establishment of commitment items.

15 (b) Contingency appropriation transfers shall only establish and  
16 supplement commitment items that were recommended by the Higher Education  
17 Coordinating Board in the budget manuals presented to the Legislative Council  
18 and Joint Budget Committee.

19 (c) The Department of Education - Division of Higher Education shall  
20 report contingency appropriation transfers and the establishment of any  
21 commitment items authorized by this Section to the Legislative Council or  
22 Joint Budget Committee for review during its July meeting. The report shall  
23 include, by institution, the establishment of, and the amounts transferred  
24 to, each commitment item, the reasons therefor and the source of funds.  
25 Institutions shall submit contingency appropriation transfer and commitment  
26 item establishment requests authorized by this Section to the Division of  
27 Higher Education no later than July 1. Upon the failure of an institution to  
28 submit the required information by the July 1 deadline, the Department of  
29 Education - Division of Higher Education shall immediately notify by written  
30 notification the chairpersons of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget  
31 Committee.

32 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
33 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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35 SECTION 44. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
36 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -

1 STUDENT UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP (SURF) PROGRAM. The focus of the  
2 Student Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Program is the continued  
3 development of undergraduate academic research efforts at Arkansas colleges  
4 and universities. The Arkansas Department of Education - Division of Higher  
5 Education shall adopt rules and regulations necessary for the proper  
6 administration of the Student Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program.  
7 Administrative functions and responsibilities may include, but not  
8 necessarily be limited to, the development of eligibility criteria,  
9 collection of applications, coordination of student evaluations, distribution  
10 of public notices, and funding of grants for academic research purposes.  
11 Staff of the Arkansas Department of Education - Division of Higher Education  
12 shall administer this program. The Arkansas Department of Education -  
13 Division of Higher Education shall be authorized to expense costs associated  
14 with the administration of the program, from funds made payable from the  
15 Higher Education Grants Fund Account for the Student Undergraduate Research  
16 Fellowship Program as authorized in the Student Assistance Grants and Various  
17 Scholarships appropriation section of this Act.

18 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
19 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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21 SECTION 45. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
23 COST ALLOCATION. The Department of Education - Division of Higher Education  
24 may refund to the Division of Higher Education Fund Account or the Higher  
25 Education Grants Fund Account such amount determined by the Department to be  
26 reimbursements received from the Office of the Arkansas Lottery for costs  
27 related to the administration of the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship  
28 Program.

29 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
30 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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32 SECTION 46. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
33 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
34 APPROPRIATION TRANSFER PROCEDURES - AR GEOGRAPHICAL CRITICAL NEEDS MINORITY  
35 TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. The Director of the Arkansas Department of  
36 Education - Division of Higher Education shall determine the amount

1 available, up to \$200,000 per fiscal year, to fund the Arkansas Geographical  
2 Critical Needs Minority Teacher Scholarships and shall certify to the Chief  
3 Fiscal Officer of the State and the State Treasurer such amount as is  
4 required to be transferred from the Higher Education Grants Fund Account.  
5 Upon receiving such certification, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and  
6 the State Treasurer shall cause to be transferred the necessary funds and  
7 appropriation to the fund account of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff  
8 for implementation of this program. The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff  
9 may use up to twenty percent (20%) of the funds and appropriation for  
10 administration of the program.

11 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
12 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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14 SECTION 47. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
15 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
16 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES. The Department of Education - Division of Higher  
17 Education is authorized to recover non-refundable administrative fees related  
18 to the institutional certification and exemption process for out-of-state,  
19 non-public, and for-profit colleges and universities. These fees include a  
20 notification fee, an application processing fee, and travel expenses for the  
21 certification review teams.

22 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
23 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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25 SECTION 48. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
26 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE  
27 WORKFORCE INITIATIVE ACT FUNDING. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may  
28 transfer, on his or her books and those of the State Treasurer and the  
29 Auditor of the State, funding up to the amount authorized in the Workforce  
30 Initiative Act of 2015 appropriation section in this Act, from the Division  
31 of Higher Education Fund Account to the Workforce Initiative Act of 2015 Fund  
32 in order to finance the distribution of grants identified under §6-60-107.

33 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
34 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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36 SECTION 49. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS



1 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
2 ARKANSAS WORKFORCE CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS. The Department of Education -  
3 Division of Higher Education may transfer Arkansas Workforce Challenge  
4 Scholarship funds to:

5 (1)(A) An Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship account in an  
6 amount necessary to fund scholarship awards for nontraditional students for  
7 the 2017-2018 academic year that were not funded due to the limitation on the  
8 scholarship award amount for nontraditional students under § 6-85-  
9 212(e)(2)(A) as it existed before the effective date of this act.

10 (B) The department may distribute scholarship awards to  
11 nontraditional students for the 2017-2018 academic year from funds  
12 transferred under subdivision (1)(A) of this section; and

13 (2)(A) The Office of the Arkansas Lottery in an amount not to  
14 exceed the amount required to fund scholarship awards to be distributed under  
15 § 6-85-201 et seq. for the 2018-2019 or 2019-2020 academic years without  
16 having to draw upon the Scholarship Shortfall Reserve Trust Account under §  
17 23-115-802.

18 (B) If the transfer under subdivision (2)(A) of this  
19 section exhausts the department's Arkansas Workforce Challenge Scholarship  
20 funds and there remain insufficient funds for distribution as scholarship  
21 awards under § 6-85-201 et seq. for the 2018-2019 or 2019-2020 academic years  
22 without having to draw upon the trust account, then the trust account may be  
23 drawn upon as provided under § 23-115-802.

24 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
25 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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27 SECTION 50. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
28 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DHE -  
29 STATEWIDE SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT PROMOTION. Of the general revenue that is  
30 received by and distributed from the Higher Education Grants Fund Account,  
31 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer two hundred ninety-five  
32 thousand dollars (\$295,000) to the Division of Higher Education Fund Account  
33 to be allocated, budgeted, committed and distributed to the Statewide  
34 Scholarship and Grant Promotion line item in the General Operations section  
35 of this Act for the purpose of increasing public awareness of the  
36 scholarships and grants offered by the State through the Arkansas Department

1 of Education - Division of Higher Education. The Department shall utilize a  
2 minimum of one hundred forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$147,500)  
3 of the aforementioned total specifically for the promotion of the Arkansas  
4 Futures Grant Program.

5 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
6 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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8 *SECTION 51. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE*  
9 *ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL, AND TEMPORARY LAW.*  
10 *GOVERNOR'S HIGHER EDUCATION TRANSITION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. The Department*  
11 *of Education - Division of Higher Education shall provide for the*  
12 *administration of the "Governor's Higher Education Transition Scholarship*  
13 *Program" as appropriated in the Student Assistance Grants and Various*  
14 *Scholarships Appropriation section of this Act to assist students accepted*  
15 *into transitional programs for students with intellectual and/or*  
16 *developmental disabilities at state institutions of higher education and*  
17 *shall promulgate rules for the implementation of the program and for the*  
18 *disbursement of scholarships to eligible students.*

19 *The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,*  
20 *2022 through June 30, 2023.*

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22 *SECTION 52. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS*  
23 *CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. NTI -*  
24 *ADDITIONAL TEACHING LOAD. Full-time staff and ten (10) extra help positions*  
25 *at Northwest Technical Institute, may be paid up to seventy-five dollars*  
26 *(\$75) per clock hour for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023, for*  
27 *noncredit teaching assignments; or up to five hundred fifty dollars (\$550)*  
28 *per semester hour for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023, for teaching*  
29 *courses beyond the defined teaching load; and the employee's maximum*  
30 *allowable salary may be exceeded by such amount; provided, however, that such*  
31 *additional teaching load may not exceed one hundred fifty (150) clock hours*  
32 *or nine (9) semester credit hours per school year. Further, the provisions*  
33 *of this section shall only apply to credit and noncredit courses that are*  
34 *funded by Private Industry.*

35 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~  
36 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

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SECTION 53. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 54. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 55. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective on and after July 1, 2022.

*/s/Joint Budget Committee*

**APPROVED: 3/8/22**