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SENATE BILL 110

By: Joint Budget Committee

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 2020; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR  
THE 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the  
Arkansas Economic Development Commission for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the  
following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2019-2020
(1)	U055U	AEDC DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE04
(2)	N214N	AEDC EXEC VP OF GLOBAL BUSINESS	1	GRADE SE01
(3)	N215N	AEDC EXEC VP OF OPERATIONS	1	GRADE SE01
(4)	U063U	AEDC EXEC VP MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS	1	GRADE SE01
(5)	D012C	DATABASE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT08
(6)	D007C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	1	GRADE IT08
(7)	D029C	SENIOR GIS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT07



(8)	D054C COMPUTER SUPPORT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE IT05
(9)	D052C SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
(10)	N062N AEDC BUSINESS DEV DIV DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
(11)	N061N AEDC BUSINESS FINANCE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
(12)	N085N AEDC DIR TECH & ENTREPRENEURSHIP	1	GRADE GS14
(13)	N084N AEDC MRKT & COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS14
(14)	N083N AEDC STRATEGIC PLANNING DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS14
(15)	N059N AEDC TRAINING DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS14
(16)	B139C AEDC DIRECTOR OF EPSCOR	1	GRADE GS13
(17)	B140C AEDC MANUFACTURING SOLUTIONS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS13
(18)	G019C GENERAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS13
(19)	N196N MILITARY AFFAIRS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS13
(20)	G026N AEDC ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MGMT SVS	1	GRADE GS12
(21)	G030N AEDC ASST DIR OF STEM EDUCATION	1	GRADE GS12
(22)	G034N AEDC ASST DIRECTOR SALES AND MARKETING	1	GRADE GS12
(23)	G245C AEDC DIR OF COMMUNITY DEV & IMPROVEMENT	1	GRADE GS12
(24)	G014C AEDC DIR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	1	GRADE GS12
(25)	B018N AEDC FIELD ENGINEER	4	GRADE GS12
(26)	G035N AEDC SALES AND MARKETING SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS12
(27)	G273C AEDC SENIOR PROJECT CONSULTANT	4	GRADE GS12
(28)	G015C AEDC SMALL/MINORITY BUSINESS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS12
(29)	U099U DIRECTOR OF RURAL SERVICES	1	GRADE GS12
(30)	A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER	2	GRADE GS12
(31)	R006C HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS12
(32)	B016C AEDC ASSISTANT DIRECTOR EPSCOR	1	GRADE GS11
(33)	P076C AEDC DIGITAL MARKETING DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS11
(34)	P002C AEDC DIRECTOR FILM COMMISSION	1	GRADE GS11
(35)	G062C AEDC PROJECT CONSULTANT	33	GRADE GS11
(36)	G048C AEDC STRATEGIC PLANNING ASST DIR	1	GRADE GS11
(37)	R013C AGENCY HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS11
(38)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
(39)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
(40)	P004C PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(41)	A082C ACCOUNTANT II	5	GRADE GS08
(42)	G126C FINANCE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
(43)	R014C PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08

(44)	A041C PROGRAM FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
(45)	G148C ENERGY PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
(46)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	2	GRADE GS07
(47)	G147C GRANTS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(48)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
(49)	A074C FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
(50)	G180C GRANTS ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(51)	R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(52)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS06
(53)	B076C RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
(54)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	7	GRADE GS04
(55)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS04
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	108	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: six (6) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. EXTRA HELP - RURAL SERVICES DIVISION. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Division of Rural Services for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one (1) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the Arkansas Economic Development Commission Fund Account, for personal services, operating expenses, grants and aid, and state matching funds of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - State Operations for the fiscal

year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$5,149,185
(02) EXTRA HELP	30,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,570,623
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,548,238
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	141,486
(C) PROF. FEES	1,765,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE/REGIONALISM GRANTS	1,000,000
(06) GLOBAL BUSINESS INITIATIVES	900,000
(07) MILITARY AFFAIRS GRANT PROGRAM	750,000
(08) SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATIVE RESEARCH	2,000,000
(09) INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM	1,714,800
(10) FOR STATE MATCHING OF FEDERAL FUNDS	228,500
(11) OFFICE OF TRANSFORMATION EXPENSES	<u>1,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$17,897,832</u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE (CDBG) - FEDERAL.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid by the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Community Assistance (CDBG) - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$325,764
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	104,947
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

(A) OPER. EXPENSE	60,600
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000
(C) PROF. FEES	70,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) GRANTS/AIDS - CDBG	27,500,000
(05) STORM RECOVERY GRANTS	7,579,614
(06) FLOOD RECOVERY GRANT	<u>615,710</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$36,281,635</u>

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS ACCELERATION FUND. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the Arkansas Acceleration Fund, for grants and incentives to accelerate the economy of the State through technology and knowledge-based development of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Arkansas Acceleration Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
(01) ACCELERATION GRANTS & INCENTIVES	<u>\$30,000,000</u>

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - SUPER PROJECTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the Economic Development Superprojects Project Fund, for Super Projects as defined by Amendment 82 to the Arkansas Constitution for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Super Projects for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
(01) SUPER PROJECTS	<u>\$200,000,000</u>

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - NEW MARKETS PERFORMANCE PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the New Markets Performance Guarantee Fund, for refunds and reimbursements of performance program application fees of the Arkansas

Economic Development Commission - New Markets Performance Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$875,781</u>

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - QUICK ACTION CLOSING FUND. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the Economic Development Incentive Quick Action Closing Fund, for incentives to attract new business and economic development to the State by the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Quick Action Closing Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) QUICK ACTION CLOSING GRANTS	<u>\$75,000,000</u>

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the *Arkansas Economic Development Commission* Fund Account, for personal services, operating expenses and grants and aid by the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - State Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$795,716
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	245,671
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	0
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0

(04) GRANTS & AID - ARKANSAS RESEARCH MATCH	292,653
(05) TECHNOLOGY <i>DEVELOPMENT</i>	156,975
(06) SEED CAPITAL INVESTMENTS	292,653
(07) ARKANSAS ACCELERATION FUND PROGRAM	<u>6,500,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$8,283,668</u></u>

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - SEED CAPITAL INVESTMENT - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for investments in technology based businesses by the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Seed Capital Investment - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
(01) INVESTMENTS	<u><u>\$1,540,000</u></u>

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK - STATE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the *Arkansas Economic Development Commission* Fund Account, for grants by the Division Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
(01) AR MANUFACTURING EXT NETWORK	<u><u>\$257,182</u></u>

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the federal funds as

designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, grants and aid, and field services by the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$272,090
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	81,729
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	10,284
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) AR MANUFACTURING NETWORK/TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ASSISTANCE GRANTS	240,000
(05) FIELD SERVICES	<u>325,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$929,103</u></u>

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and grants and aid by the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$272,100
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	81,792
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

(A) OPER. EXPENSE	543,200
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	67,360
(C) PROF. FEES	75,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) AR MANUFACTURING NETWORK/TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ASSISTANCE/OTHER GRANTS & AID	<u>13,270</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,052,722</u></u>

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - EPSCOR TRACK III - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid by the Division Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - EPSCOR Track III - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$225,184
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	67,049
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	120,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) AR EPSCOR/TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT/OTHER GRANTS & AIDS	4,190,000
(05) EXTERNAL EVALUATORS	<u>400,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$5,002,233</u></u>

SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - ENERGY EFFICIENCY - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable

from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Energy Efficiency - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$100,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$100,000</u></u>

SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - STEM EDUCATION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for STEM Program expenses of the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Stem Education - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020
(01) STEM PROGRAM EXPENSES	<u><u>\$40,000</u></u>

SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - RURAL SERVICES DIVISION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the *Arkansas Economic Development Commission* Fund Account, for personal services, operating expenses and grants and aid by the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - State Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$154,934
(02) EXTRA HELP	2,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	51,438
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	72,038
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,100
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) GRANTS & AID - RURAL COMMUNITY GRANTS	400,000
(06) RURAL FIRE PROTECTION GRANTS	1,000,000
(07) COUNTY FAIR IMPROVEMENT GRANTS	<u>100,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,784,510</u></u>

SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - RURAL SERVICES DIVISION - CONFERENCE CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for conference expenses of the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Conference Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
(01) CONFERENCE EXPENSES	<u><u>\$100,000</u></u>

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - RURAL SERVICES DIVISION - UNPAVED ROADS PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the Arkansas Unpaved Roads Program Fund, for grants or operating expenses of the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission - Unpaved Roads Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>

(01) UNPAVED ROADS PROGRAM GRANTS & AIDS  
 OR OPERATING EXPENSES \$250,000

SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION - RURAL SERVICES - FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION EDUCATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grants for the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Education Program by the Arkansas Economic Development Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
(01) FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION EDUCATION GRANTS AND AID	<u>\$800,000</u>

SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE LOAN MOBILIZATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the *Minority and Women-Owned Business Loan Mobilization Revolving Fund*, for promotion and development of minority and women-owned business enterprises in the state, increasing the ability of minority and women-owned business enterprises to compete for state contracts, and sustaining the economic growth of minority and women-owned business enterprises for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>
(01) MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE MOBILIZATION LOAN PROGRAM	<u>\$500,000</u>

SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - RURAL SERVICES DIVISION - LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of

*the State, for grants to law enforcement agencies and associations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:*

<i>ITEM</i>	<i>FISCAL YEAR</i>
<i>NO.</i>	<i>2019-2020</i>
<i>(01) GRANTS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES</i>	<u><u>\$5,000,000</u></u>

SECTION 24. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND TRANSFER PROVISION. As requested from time to time by the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, the Chief Fiscal Officer may transfer on his books and those of the State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State, the sum not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from the Arkansas Economic Development Commission Fund Account to the Minority and Women-Owned Business Loan Mobilization Revolving Fund, to provide funds for the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Loan Mobilization appropriation herein.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 25. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD – MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS LOAN MOBILIZATION REVOLVING FUND. Any unexpended balance of funds for the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Loan Mobilization appropriation which remain at the close of each state fiscal year shall be carried forward to the next state fiscal year to be used for the same intent and purposes as set forth in law.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 26. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER PROVISION – STATE OPERATIONS. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and prior review by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line item

appropriation authorized in the State Operations Section of this Act to any other line item authorized in the State Operations Section of this Act.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization Law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Arkansas Economic Development Commission may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior review of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of review by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of review by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 27. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM EXPENSES. The Arkansas Economic Development Commission (AEDC) may utilize Industry Training Program (ITP) appropriation and funds for personal services, operating expenses, grants and aid, capital acquisition, and other appropriate purposes to provide industry-specific training opportunities. AEDC shall submit a quarterly report of industry training activities to the Governor and the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

The provisions of this section shall be effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through July 1, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 28. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FOREIGN OFFICE OPERATIONS. The Arkansas Economic Development Commission is hereby

authorized to enter into contractual arrangements with private and/or public companies, corporations, individuals or organizations for the purpose of operating foreign offices. Arkansas Code 15-4-210 shall not be deemed restrictive in its language so as to preclude the use of standard Professional Services Contracts for the operation of the foreign offices and/or payment of such contracts from the special line items as established by legislative appropriation for the operation of said foreign offices.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 29. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. RURAL DEVELOPMENT. From the funds appropriated for Community Development Grants within the Community Development Program in this Act for Community Assistance (CDBG)- Federal, the Arkansas Economic Development Commission (AEDC) shall allocate at least \$500,000 per fiscal year to the Rural Development Set-Aside from the annual Community Development Block Grant, as defined in AEDC's Consolidated Plan filed with the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. Funds allocated to the Rural Development Set-Aside are to be used exclusively for grants to rural communities as defined in the Consolidated Plan.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 30. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. GRANT REVIEW. The Arkansas Economic Development Commission (AEDC) shall review all applications for grant funds and shall certify those applications eligible for grant funds under AEDC and federal guidelines. The Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission alone shall recommend which grant applications will be funded, and AEDC shall disburse grant funds from the Rural Development Set-Aside to those applicants receiving final approval by the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission. AEDC and the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the application for and disbursement of grant funds

from the Rural Development Set-Aside, and an annual report of the disposition of these grant funds shall be made to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 31. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER PROVISION - COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE (CDBG) - FEDERAL. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and prior approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line item appropriation authorized in the Community Assistance (CDBG) - Federal Section of this Act to any other line item authorized in the Community Assistance (CDBG) - Federal Section of this Act.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Arkansas Economic Development Commission may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 32. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

FLEXIBILITY RESTRICTIONS. The transfer flexibility provided to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission within this Act relating to the appropriation in the Community Assistance (CDBG) - Federal Section shall be used only when necessary to carry out the Community Development Block Grant Program and shall require approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Arkansas Economic Development Commission may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 33. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

ADDITIONAL PAYMENTS AUTHORIZED. The Arkansas Industrial and Economic Development Foundation is hereby authorized to make additional payments to the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, from private funding sources, and upon prior approval from the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, the Arkansas Industrial and Economic Development Foundation, and the Governor. Such additional payments to the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission shall not be considered salary and shall not be deemed or construed to exceed the maximum salaries established for unclassified employees by the General Assembly. Nothing in

this section may be construed to reduce or eliminate the authority granted elsewhere in the Arkansas statute for the payment of allowances or bonuses to unclassified employees.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 34. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD - INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM. Any unexpended balance of funds for the Industry Training Program in the Arkansas Economic Development Commission Fund Account which remain at the close of each state fiscal year shall be carried forward to the next state fiscal year to be used for the same intent and purposes as set forth in law.

Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

- (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020 the Agency shall by written statement set forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;
- (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward, the program name or line item, the funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set forth in (1) above;
- (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30) days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget Committee; and
- (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 35. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SEED CAPITAL INVESTMENTS. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary regarding general revenue year end fund balances, any monies received from the repayment of Seed Capital Investments authorized by the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, shall be deposited into the State Treasury to the credit of the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account and shall remain in the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account to be made available solely for the benefit of the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission to provide additional Seed Capital Investments.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 36. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD – TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT. The Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission is authorized to carry forward an amount of up to \$150,000 of any obligated but unexpended funds in the Technology Development line item in the Division of Science and Technology - State Operations Section of this Act for basic or applied research grants which remains at the end of the fiscal year ~~2019~~ 2020 to be used for the same purpose.

Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

- (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020 the Agency shall by written statement set forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;
- (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward, the program name

or line item, the funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set forth in (1) above;

(3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30) days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget Committee; and

(4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1 ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 37. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND BALANCE TRANSFER. Upon the effective date of this act, the available balances received by the Division of Science and Technology of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission from Client Services provided through the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network – Federal appropriation, shall be transferred to the Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network – Cash Fund Account.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 38. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. APPROPRIATION AND FUND TRANSFERS. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission is authorized to transfer appropriation and funds from the Division of Science and Technology State Operations - Arkansas Acceleration Fund Programs line item within the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account to the Arkansas Acceleration Fund. The total of all transfers shall not exceed \$3,500,000.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 39. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall establish, upon request from the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, a special appropriation line item to be used in the acquisition of promotional items. When the Arkansas Economic Development Commission wishes to transfer from its operating expenses to promotional items, the request shall be forwarded to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State for processing after prior approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization Law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Arkansas Economic Development Commission may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this Section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this Section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 40. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. COUNTY FAIR GRANTS. The Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission shall develop the necessary rules and regulations for the disbursement of matching fund grants to county fairs for the construction,

renovation and/or improvements to county fairgrounds. The grants shall be matched on a 50/50 basis. The match may be cash or in-kind. No county fair shall receive more than \$30,000 for the biennium.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 41. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. GRANT AWARD CRITERIA. The Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission shall promulgate regulations establishing the criteria to be utilized in determining to whom grants will be made under this Act. Subject to the approval of the Governor, and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee, the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission shall distribute the grants.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Rural Services Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 42. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF FUNDS. In the event that revenue is available for transfer to and in support of the Arkansas Acceleration Fund Act, the Executive Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission shall certify to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State the amount needed for transfer from either the Arkansas Economic Development Commission Fund Account or the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account to the Arkansas Acceleration Fund. Upon the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the amount certified shall be transferred. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall initiate the necessary transfer documents to reflect all such transfers upon the fiscal records of the State Auditor, the State Treasurer and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 43. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD - MILITARY AFFAIRS GRANT PROGRAM. Any unexpended balance of funds allocated for the Military Affairs Grant Program in the Arkansas Economic Development Commission Fund Account which remain at the close of each state fiscal year shall be carried forward to the next state fiscal year to be used for the same intent and purposes as set forth in law. Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

- (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020 the Agency shall by written statement set forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;
- (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward, the program name or line item, the funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set forth in (1) above;
- (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written

statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30) days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget Committee; and

(4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019 through June 30, ~~2019~~ 2020.

SECTION 44. 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 45. 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 46. 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, 2019 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, 2019 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, 2019.

*/s/Joint Budget Committee*

**APPROVED: 4/11/19**