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A Bill

SENATE BILL 70

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND
NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -
DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND
NORTHWEST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE
REAPPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. REAPPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - DEVELOPMENT
AND ENHANCEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
Education, to be payable from the Development and Enhancement Fund, for the
Department of Education - Division of Higher Education the following:

(A) Effective July 1, 2022, the balance of the appropriation provided
in Item (A) of Section 1 of Act 845 of 2021, for various maintenance,
renovation, equipping, construction, acquisition, improvement, upgrade, and
repair of real property and facilities for all public four-year institutions,
two-year institutions, and technical colleges, in a sum not to exceed
.....\$15,000,000.

SECTION 2. REAPPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NORTHWEST
TECHNICAL INSTITUTE - DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT. There is hereby



appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Development and Enhancement Fund, for the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - Northwest Technical Institute the following:

(A) Effective July 1, 2022, the balance of the appropriation provided in Item (A) of Section 2 of Act 845 of 2021, for construction, renovation, major maintenance, purchase of equipment, improvements, repairs, and operations of an Allied Health Facility, in a sum not to exceed\$10,656,000.

(B) Effective July 1, 2022, the balance of the appropriation provided in Item (B) of Section 2 of Act 845 of 2021, for construction, acquisition, repair, improvements and major maintenance of a new CDL Training Facility and Driving Pad, in a sum not to exceed\$2,004,066.

(C) Effective July 1, 2022, the balance of the appropriation provided in Item (C) of Section 2 of Act 845 of 2021, for purchase of equipment, upgrades, repairs, software licenses, and security for network infrastructure upgrades, a new phone system, a unified security system and other improvements for the overall improvement of the Northwest Technical Institute's Technology Infrastructure, in a sum not to exceed\$1,801,200.

(D) Effective July 1, 2022, the balance of the appropriation provided in Item (D) of Section 2 of Act 845 of 2021, for major maintenance projects including the replacement of two roofs on campus, HVAC replacement and repair, parking lot maintenance and repair, and other maintenance and repair projects on campus, in a sum not to exceed\$636,000.

(E) Effective July 1, 2022, the balance of the appropriation provided in Item (E) of Section 2 of Act 845 of 2021, for transfers of or refund to expenditures for capital balances for construction, renovation, major maintenance, and purchase of equipment for various capital projects or facility improvements, in a sum not to exceed\$1,000,000.

(F) Effective July 1, 2022, the balance of the appropriation provided in Item (A) of Section 2 of Act 200 of 2021, for Industrial Technology Center construction, parking, equipment, and furnishings costs, in a sum not to exceed\$36,307.

(G) Effective July 1, 2022, the balance of the appropriation provided in Item (D) of Section 2 of Act 200 of 2021, for transfers of or refund to expenditures for capital balances for construction, renovation, major maintenance, and purchase of equipment for various capital projects or

facility improvements, in a sum not to exceed\$519,278.

SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

(B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of any funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.

SECTION 4. 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 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective on and after July 1, 2022.

APPROVED: 2/25/22