

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 243

By: Senator J. English

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 98,
ALSO KNOWN AS THE "ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA
AMENDMENT OF 2016"; TO AMEND THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER
EDUCATION PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND AND THE SKILLS
DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA
AMENDMENT OF 2016; AND TO AMEND THE
DEPARTMENT OF CAREER EDUCATION PUBLIC
SCHOOL FUND AND THE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT
FUND.

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

SECTION 1. Pursuant to § 23 of Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 98,
also known as the "Arkansas Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2016", Arkansas
Constitution, Amendment 98, § 17(b)(6), concerning the Vocational and
Technical Training Special Revenue Fund, is amended to read as follows:

(6)(A) *Fifty percent (50%)* ~~to a special revenue account credited~~
to the ~~Vocational and Technical Training Special Revenue Fund~~ Department of
Career Education Public School Fund Account or its successor fund or fund
account, to be used exclusively by the ~~Department of Finance and~~
~~Administration~~ Department of Career Education or its successor for vocational
start-up grants to: ~~technical institutes and vocational technical schools for~~
~~personal services and operating expenses, scholarships, research, development~~
~~and delivery of education coursework and math and science coursework, and~~



~~acquisition, equipment acquisition, and infrastructure costs, including without limitation site development costs, construction, improvements, landscaping, renovation, dormitory renovation, major maintenance, and the building of roads and parking lots~~

(i) Start and upgrade career and technical programs, including without limitation vocational programs;

(ii) Support the minimum required equipment to meet program standards; and

(iii) Support short-term adult skills training classes.

~~(B) The General Assembly shall by law create the Vocational and Technical Training Special Revenue Fund no later than July 1, 2017.~~

~~(C) The Department of Finance and Administration~~ Department of Career Education or its successor shall promulgate rules to implement the grant program described in this subdivision ~~(b)(7)~~ (b)(6) by July 1, 2017;

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301, concerning the enumeration of special revenues, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(255) All sales tax revenues collected by the Department of Finance and Administration from the sale of usable marijuana under the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2016.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 19-5-305(a)(2), concerning the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account. The Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account shall be used for grants and aids for the programs administered by the Department of Career Education consisting of, but not limited to:

(A) General adult education grants;

(B) Adult basic education grants;

(C) Manpower development and training grants;

(D) Vocational-technical and adult education, including without limitation starting and upgrading career and technical programs as described in Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 98, § 17(b)(6); and

(E) Such other grants and aids as may be authorized by law for disbursement by the Department of Career Education; and

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 19-6-830(b), concerning the Skills Development Fund, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The fund shall consist of:

(1) Moneys obtained from private grants or other sources that are designated to be credited to the fund; ~~and~~

(2) Ten percent (10%) of the sales tax revenues collected by the Department of Finance and Administration from the sale of usable marijuana under the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2016; and

(3) Any other revenues as may be authorized by law.

/s/J. English