

2015 - 2017 REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LANGUAGE IN APPROPRIATION ACT

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SECTION#: 4

CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH INST. REQUEST)

AR HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD RECOMMENDATION

TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS. The appropriations provided in this act shall not be transferred under the provisions of Arkansas Code 19-4-522, but only as provided by this act.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~ 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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TRANSFER PROVISIONS. The state-supported institution of higher education in this act may transfer appropriations between the various line items within each appropriation contained in this appropriation act. Such transfers shall be made only after the approval of the Department of Higher Education and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and the approval of the Legislative Council.

The General Assembly has determined that the institution in this act could be operated more efficiently if some flexibility is given to that institution and that flexibility is being accomplished by providing authority to transfer between items of appropriation made by this act. Since the General Assembly has granted the institution broad powers under the transfer of appropriations, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight of the utilization of the transfers by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council in the utilization of the transfer authority. Therefore, the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

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POSITIONS. (a) Nothing in this act shall be construed as a commitment of the State of Arkansas or any of its agencies or institutions to continue funding any position paid from the proceeds of the Tobacco Settlement in the event that Tobacco Settlement funds are not sufficient to finance the position.

(b) State funds will not be used to replace Tobacco Settlement funds when such funds expire, unless appropriated by the General Assembly and authorized by the Governor.

(c) A disclosure of the language contained in (a) and (b) of this Section shall be made available to all new hire and current positions paid from the proceeds of the Tobacco Settlement by the Tobacco Settlement Commission.

(d) Whenever applicable the information contained in (a) and (b) of this Section shall be included in the employee handbook and/or Professional Services Contract paid from the proceeds of the Tobacco Settlement.

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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 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures 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.

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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 Initiated Act 1 of 2000, 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.

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EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES. In order to increase the adult degree completion rate and to develop its own human capital, Arkansas State University System is hereby authorized to offer one time lump-sum incentive bonuses or educational differentials of up to six percent (6%) of the employee's salary for degree attainment. A bonus or compensation differential may not be authorized if the education is included as a special requirement or minimum qualification established for the classification by the official class specification.

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