

1 State of Arkansas
2 95th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2026
4

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1029

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MAKING PAYMENTS
10 FOR CITY-COUNTY TOURIST FACILITIES AS REQUIRED BY THE
11 CITY-COUNTY TOURIST MEETING AND ENTERTAINMENT
12 FACILITIES ASSISTANCE LAW BY THE OFFICE OF THE
13 TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE
14 30, 2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

18 AN ACT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF
19 STATE - CITY-COUNTY TOURIST MEETING AND
20 ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES ASSISTANCE
21 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2026-2027 FISCAL
22 YEAR.
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - CITY AND COUNTY TOURIST FACILITIES
28 ASSISTANCE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Office of the Treasurer of
29 State, to be payable from the City-County Tourist Facilities Aid Fund, for
30 making payments as authorized by law for publicly owned eligible facilities
31 as authorized by the City-County Tourist Meeting and Entertainment Facilities
32 Assistance Law, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:
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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2026-2027
(01) FACILITY DEBT SERVICE AND OPERATING	



1 EXPENSES

\$887,908

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 3 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 4 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 5 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 6 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 7 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 8 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 9 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 10 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 11 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.
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13 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
 14 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
 15 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
 16 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 17 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
 18 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
 19 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
 20 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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22 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
 23 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
 24 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
 25 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2026 is essential to the operation of
 26 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
 27 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
 28 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2026 could work irreparable harm
 29 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
 30 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
 31 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
 32 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2026.
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35 APPROVED: 4/22/26