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3 First Extraordinary Session, 2003  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1007

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT  
10 OF HEALTH FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND  
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
16 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - RURAL PHYSICIAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM. There is  
22 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the  
23 Rural Physician Incentive Fund, the following:

24 (A) For financial assistance to encourage physicians to locate in and  
25 practice primary care medicine in medically underserved areas, the sum of  
26 .....\$868,000.  
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28 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - RURAL HEALTH SERVICES REVOLVING FUND. There  
29 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the  
30 Rural Health Services Revolving Fund, the following:

31 (A) For establishment and retention of primary care services, support  
32 improvements or transition initiatives of rural hospitals, provide funding  
33 for needed emergency medical services, non-emergency medical services,  
34 support efforts to improve health or the health care system in the community,  
35 or support local community strategic planning efforts and as set out in  
36 Arkansas Code 20-12-401, the sum of .....\$800,000.



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SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. FUND ESTABLISHMENT. There is hereby established on the books of the Treasurer of State, the Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a fund to be known as the Rural Physician Incentive Fund, there to be used for the purposes as may be provided by law. The fund shall consist of:

- (1) Such general improvement funds as may be provided by law; and
- (2) Any other funds made available and required to be deposited into the State Treasury by law.

SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND TRANSFER TO RURAL HEALTH SERVICES REVOLVING FUND. Immediately upon the effective date of this act the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his books and those of the State Treasurer and Auditor of State the sum of eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000) from the General Improvement Fund to the Rural Health Services Revolving Fund.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005.

SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND TRANSFER TO RURAL PHYSICIAN INCENTIVE FUND. Immediately upon the effective date of this act the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his books and those of the State Treasurer and Auditor of State the sum of eight hundred sixty-eight thousand dollars (\$868,000) from the General Improvement Fund to the Rural Physician Incentive Fund.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005.

SECTION 6. 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

1 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
 2 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
 3 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
 4 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
 5 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
 6 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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 14 SECTION 7. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
 15 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
 16 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
 17 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
 18 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
 19 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
 20 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
 21 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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 23 SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
 24 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
 25 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
 26 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2003 is essential to the operation of  
 27 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
 28 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
 29 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2003 could work irreparable harm upon the  
 30 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
 31 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
 32 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
 33 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2003.