

1 State of Arkansas  
2 95th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2025  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1394

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

8 AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL  
9 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - DIVISION OF HERITAGE;  
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS,  
15 HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - DIVISION OF  
16 HERITAGE REAPPROPRIATION.  
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. REAPPROPRIATION - CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION - AMENDMENT 75 -  
23 CONSERVATION TAX. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks,  
24 Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Arkansas Division of Heritage  
25 Special Fund Account, for the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism -  
26 Division of Heritage the following:

27 (A) Effective July 1, 2025, the balance of the appropriation provided  
28 in Item (A) of Section 1 of Act 87 of 2024, for special maintenance, in a sum  
29 not to exceed .....\$750,000.  
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31 SECTION 2. REAPPROPRIATION - NCRC GRANT. There is hereby appropriated,  
32 to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the  
33 Arkansas Natural and Cultural Resources Grant and Trust Fund, for the  
34 Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Division of Heritage the  
35 following:

36 (A) Effective July 1, 2025, the balance of the appropriation provided



1 in Section 25 of Act 24 of 2024, for the acquisition, management,  
2 stewardship, or preservation of state owned lands, historic sites, buildings,  
3 structures, or objects, in a sum not to exceed .....\$14,317,956.  
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5 SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
6 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
7 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
8 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
9 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
10 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
11 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
12 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
13 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
14 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
15 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
16 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

17 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State  
18 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the  
19 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of  
20 this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and  
21 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in  
22 disbursement of any funds provided by this act unless specifically provided  
23 otherwise by law.  
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25 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
26 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
27 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
28 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
29 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
30 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
31 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
32 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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34 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
35 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
36 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the

1 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2025 is essential to the operation of  
2 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
3 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
4 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2025 could work irreparable harm  
5 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
6 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
7 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
8 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2025.

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