

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

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1102

5 By: Representatives McAlindon, K. Brown, Duke
6 By: Senator J. Dotson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR A GRANT TO THE
10 VETERANS COUNCIL OF NW ARKANSAS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
12 2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
17 AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2026-2027
18 FISCAL YEAR.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS COUNCIL OF NW ARKANSAS - GRANT.

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24 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be
25 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by
26 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for a grant to the Veterans Council of
27 NW Arkansas for costs associated with the construction, renovation, upgrade
28 and expansion of the Veterans Wall of Honor in Bella Vista, Arkansas for the
29 fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:
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| 31 ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
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| 32 <u>NO.</u> | <u>2026-2027</u> |
| 33 (01) CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, UPGRADE AND EXPANSION | |
| 34 OF THE VETERANS WALL OF HONOR | <u>\$400,000</u> |

SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS



1 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
2 TRANSFER. Immediately upon the effective date of the Act, The Chief Fiscal
3 Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of the
4 Treasurer of State and the Auditor of the State the sum of four hundred
5 thousand (\$400,000) from the General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund to a cash
6 fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal
7 Officer of the State for costs associated with the construction, renovation,
8 upgrade and expansion of the Veterans Wall of Honor in Bella Vista, Arkansas.
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10 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
11 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
12 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
13 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
14 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
15 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
16 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
17 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
18 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.
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20 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
21 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
22 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
23 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
24 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
25 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
26 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
27 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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29 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
30 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
31 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
32 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2026 is essential to the operation of
33 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
34 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
35 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2026 could work irreparable harm
36 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental

1 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
2 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
3 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2026.

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