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3 By Representatives Knight and McClammy
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1 University with a degree in architecture. The facility,
2 completed in 1953, is of historic and cultural significance to
3 the State of Alabama and its restoration will enhance
4 opportunities for economic development that will benefit the
5 State. The Legislature further finds that the most efficient
6 way to restore the facility and to operate it profitably is
7 for the Alabama Agricultural Center Board (hereinafter
8 referred to as "the Board") to enter into agreements with
9 public institutions and other entities through which the use
10 of private funding is primarily used to restore, renovate and
11 improve the facility. To assist the Board with the
12 restoration, renovation, further development and improvement
13 of the facility, the Legislature will provide for ~~a minimum~~ an
14 annual continuing appropriation to the Board as specified
15 herein.

16 Section 3. (a) Beginning in the Fiscal Year ending
17 September 30, 2012, and in each fiscal year thereafter there
18 shall be appropriated from the State General Fund to the
19 Alabama Agriculture Center Board ~~a minimum~~ the sum of
20 \$800,000.

21 ~~(b) This minimum appropriation shall be the sole~~
22 ~~appropriation to the Board and the actual amount shall be~~
23 ~~provided for annually in the General Appropriations Act.~~
24 ~~However, additional appropriations to the Board may be made in~~
25 ~~any supplemental appropriations bill passed by the~~

1 ~~Legislature. This minimum appropriation requirement to the~~
2 ~~Agriculture Center Board in the amount of \$800,000 shall~~

3 (b) This annual appropriation shall be in addition
4 to any and all other appropriations to the Alabama Agriculture
5 Center Board. The annual appropriation to the Board in the
6 amount of \$800,000 shall continue in each succeeding fiscal
7 year as long as a restoration, renovation and improvement
8 agreement of at least \$30,000,000 remains in effect between
9 the Board and any public institution or corporation of the
10 State of Alabama for the renovation and rehabilitation of
11 Garrett Coliseum and the Alabama Agriculture Center, located
12 in Montgomery, Alabama.

13 (c) In the fiscal year following the expiration or
14 termination of the above agreement, the provisions of this
15 ~~minimum~~ continuing appropriation shall cease. However in any
16 event the continuing ~~minimum~~ appropriation shall cease and no
17 longer be in effect after Fiscal Year 2041.

18 (d) The appropriation authority granted in this act
19 shall become null and void after September 30, 2014 if by that
20 time the Board has not entered into a restoration, renovation,
21 and improvement agreement with any public institution or other
22 entity through which the use of private funding is primarily
23 used to restore, renovate and improve the facility.

24 Section 4. The Board may utilize the funds
25 appropriated ~~in the General Appropriations Act~~ herein to
26 accomplish the purposes of maintaining, restoring, renovating

1 and improving the facility as it deems appropriate or for any
2 legal purpose approved by the Board.

3 Section 5. In the event that any portion of this act
4 is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be
5 unconstitutional, then the unconstitutional part or provision
6 is hereby severed and the remaining parts of this act shall
7 remain in force and effect.

8 Section 6. This act shall become effective upon its
9 passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise
10 becoming law.

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