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SYNOPSIS:

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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To make supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, from the Education Trust Fund to various agencies and entities a total amount of \$2,787,667,309.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. In addition to all other appropriations heretofore or hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated a total of \$2,787,667,309 from the Education Trust Fund to the following agencies and entities for the purposes specified below for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023:

(1) To the Department of Revenue - Tax Rebate Fund for income tax rebates, \$966,728,000, in accordance with HB?/SB? of the 2023 Regular Session.

(2) To Debt Service, to satisfy the remaining debt service obligation on PSCA Bonds, Series 2012-B and 2013-C,

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29 \$18,552,126.

30 (3) To the Department of Finance, Division of Risk
31 Management, for the State Insurance Fund, \$20,000,000.

32 (4) To the State Board of Education - Local Boards of
33 Education, \$58,973,683. Of this amount, \$18,973,683 shall be
34 used for the Foundation Program Salary Matrix and \$40,000,000
35 shall be distributed to systems that demonstrate the highest
36 need for fleet renewal, taking into consideration the age and
37 mileage of eligible buses and the number of eligible buses that
38 run morning and afternoon routes, as recommended by the State
39 Superintendent of Education and approved by the Governor.

40 (5) To the State Department of Education for one-time
41 expenses, \$604,000,000. Of this amount, \$360,000,000 shall be
42 used by school systems to help offset inflationary increases in
43 capital project and equipment costs initiated with 2020 PSCA
44 bond funds, to be distributed on a pro rata basis based upon
45 each system's allocation in the 2020 PSCA bond issue;
46 \$150,000,000 shall be distributed to rural school systems that
47 demonstrate the highest need for capital improvement and
48 equipment relative to financial capacity as recommended by the
49 State Superintendent of Education and approved by the Governor;
50 \$10,000,000 shall be used for the Teacher's Liability Trust
51 Fund; \$10,000,000 shall be distributed to the several existing
52 Charter Schools in a manner to be determined by the State
53 Superintendent of Education; \$10,000,000 shall be used for
54 College and Career Readiness grants; \$24,000,000 shall be used
55 for summer math camps; \$10,000,000 shall be used for school
56 safety grants; \$5,000,000 shall be used for Junior Achievement

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57 of Alabama located in Birmingham, all of which shall be
58 expended for capital needs, not to exceed 50% of the capital
59 budget; and \$25,000,000 shall be used for the Saban Discovery
60 Center. The Saban Discovery Center will be an innovative hub
61 for local and regional school districts to educate and inspire
62 children to enter STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts
63 and design, mathematics) related fields by providing hands on
64 immersive and interactive activities in the state-of-the-art
65 facility. As a condition of receiving state funding, the Center
66 shall provide educators with unique opportunities for
67 professional development related to lessons designed by the
68 Center and shared with schools. The State Department of
69 Education will work with The Saban Center to ensure the
70 development of appropriate lesson plans, resources, visits, and
71 professional development for teachers. The Department may also
72 include other partners such as regional in-service centers. The
73 Saban Center will also play an important role with workforce
74 development through the Center's STEAM academy which will have
75 the capacity to play an instrumental role in connecting
76 industry leaders with a pipeline of skilled employees.

77 (6) To the Alabama Fire Fighters Personnel Standards and
78 Education Commission/Alabama Fire College for one-time expenses
79 related to a training module to help mitigate electric vehicle
80 fires, \$200,000.

81 (7) To the Retirement Systems of Alabama for one-time
82 Covid-related expenditures for PEEHIP, \$59,179,185.

83 (8) To the Department of Commerce for one-time expenses,
84 \$164,500,000. Of this amount, \$18,000,000 shall be used for the

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85 "Earth" Workforce and Innovation Center for rural workforce
86 preparation and innovation/economic development center;
87 \$31,000,000 shall be used for the Mobile Airport Authority to
88 relocate commercial airline operations to the Mobile Downtown
89 Airport for economic development purposes; \$25,000,000 shall be
90 used for the Port of Alabama for economic development and coal
91 loading/unloading equipment; \$25,000,000 shall be directed to
92 the Montgomery County Commission for economic development;
93 \$12,000,000 shall be directed to the Lauderdale County
94 Commission for a hydroelectric workforce training center;
95 \$30,000,000 shall be used for an AIDT electric vehicle
96 workforce training center; \$5,000,000 shall be expended for the
97 World Games; \$8,500,000 shall be used for the Challenger
98 Learning Center; and \$10,000,000 shall be expended to create
99 and fund the Alabama Site Development Fund. Such fund shall be
100 managed and controlled by the State Industrial Development
101 Authority and expended to provide grants for the assessment of
102 sites and the subsequent development of sites.

103 (9) To the Alabama Innovation Fund for one-time
104 expenses, \$35,000,000. Of this amount, \$20,000,000 shall be
105 used for the Agricultural Center of Innovation, and \$15,000,000
106 shall be used for improvements to outdoor recreation areas as
107 recommended by the Innovate Alabama Outdoor Recreation Advisory
108 Council in consultation with the Department of Conservation and
109 Natural Resources and approved by Innovate Alabama.

110 (10) To the Alabama School of Healthcare Sciences in
111 Demopolis for one-time expenses, \$31,000,000.

112 (11) To the Alabama School of Mathematics and Science

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113 for one-time capital project and deferred maintenance expenses,
114 \$3,000,000.

115 (12) To the Alabama School of Fine Arts for one-time
116 capital project and deferred maintenance expenses, \$3,000,000.

117 (13) To the Alabama School of Cyber Technology and
118 Engineering for one-time capital project and deferred
119 maintenance expenses, \$3,000,000.

120 (14) To the Department of Economic and Community Affairs
121 for one-time expenses of the Main Street Program to be used for
122 competitive grants for rural communities for downtown area
123 revitalization and economic development, \$200,000,000.

124 (15) To the Alabama Commission on Higher Education for
125 the Talent Retention Initiative Project, \$100,000.

126 (16) To the Department of Early Childhood Education for
127 classrooms in high-need areas, \$4,134,315.

128 (17) To the Department of Rehabilitation Services,
129 \$2,300,000. Of this amount, \$300,000 shall be used for cerebral
130 palsy services, and \$2,000,000 shall be used for federal
131 matching funds.

132 (18) To Alabama A&M University for one-time expenses for
133 deferred maintenance, campus security, renovation of existing
134 facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing capital
135 projects, \$10,969,937.

136 (19) To Alabama State University for one-time expenses,
137 \$8,399,461. Of this amount, \$6,890,400 shall be used for new
138 dormitory construction, and \$1,509,061 shall be used for
139 deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or
140 expenses associated with ongoing capital projects.

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141 (20) To the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa for
142 one-time expenses, \$58,173,691. Of this amount, \$46,000,000
143 shall be used for the Center for High Performance Computing;
144 \$6,356,322 shall be used for the National Training Center for
145 Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Technology; and \$5,817,369
146 shall be used for pursuing and supporting commercialization,
147 entrepreneurship, increasing and expanding research and
148 development activities, and collaborating with existing
149 industry in Alabama. Release of research funds is subject to
150 approved research plan related to these funds approved by the
151 Board of Trustees being submitted to the Director of Finance,
152 the Chair of the House Ways and Means-Education Committee, the
153 Chair of the Senate Committee on Finance and
154 Taxation-Education, and the Legislative Fiscal Officer.

155 (21) To the University of Alabama at Birmingham for
156 one-time expenses, \$58,173,691. Of this amount, \$50,000,000
157 shall be used for significant expansion of the University's
158 Hospital Emergency Department; \$2,356,322 shall be used for
159 deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or
160 expenses associated with ongoing capital projects; and
161 \$5,817,369 shall be used for pursuing and supporting
162 commercialization, entrepreneurship, increasing and expanding
163 research and development activities, and collaborating with
164 existing industry in Alabama. Release of research funds is
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167 Director of Finance, the Chair of the House Ways and
168 Means-Education Committee, the Chair of the Senate Committee on

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169 Finance and Taxation-Education, and the Legislative Fiscal
170 Officer.

171 (22) To the University of Alabama at Huntsville for
172 one-time expenses for an Education and Advanced Training
173 Complex to effectively fill highly technical jobs in
174 engineering, cybersecurity, math, and science education,
175 \$19,287,652.

176 (23) To Athens State University for one-time expenses,
177 \$6,758,853. Of this amount, \$1,000,000 shall be used for the
178 Hightower-Nazaretian House; \$4,000,000 shall be used for Brown
179 Hall; and \$1,758,853 shall be used for deferred maintenance,
180 renovation of existing facilities, or expenses associated with
181 ongoing capital projects.

182 (24) To Auburn University for one-time expenses,
183 \$58,173,691. Of this amount, \$20,000,000 shall be used for the
184 Brown-Kopel Lab build out/completion; \$32,356,322 shall be used
185 for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or
186 expenses associated with ongoing capital projects; and
187 \$5,817,369 shall be used for pursuing and supporting
188 commercialization, entrepreneurship, increasing and expanding
189 research and development activities, and collaborating with
190 existing industry in Alabama. Release of research funds is
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197 (25) To Auburn University at Montgomery for one-time
198 expenses for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing
199 facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing capital
200 projects, \$11,208,364.

201 (26) To Jacksonville State University for one-time
202 expenses, \$17,727,654. Of this amount, \$3,000,000 shall be used
203 for campus and pedestrian safety; \$6,446,640 shall be used to
204 pay unreimbursed insurance claims to the Education Trust Fund
205 Budget Stabilization Fund pursuant to Section 29-9-5(b) of the
206 Code of Alabama 1975, as amended by Act 2018-544; and
207 \$8,281,014 shall be used for deferred maintenance, renovation
208 of existing facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing
209 capital projects.

210 (27) To University of Montevallo for one-time expenses,
211 \$5,541,737. Of this amount, \$3,500,000 shall be used to replace
212 underground wiring, and \$2,041,737 shall be used for deferred
213 maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or expenses
214 associated with ongoing capital projects.

215 (28) To the University of North Alabama for one-time
216 expenses for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing
217 facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing capital
218 projects, \$15,170,803.

219 (29) To the University of South Alabama for one-time
220 expenses, \$36,873,054. Of this amount, \$7,000,000 shall be used
221 for equipment and renovation needs of the engineering and
222 science labs of the College of Engineering; \$1,000,000 for
223 Health Simulation Equipment; \$1,400,000 for two ADA compliant
224 motorcoaches; \$23,785,749 shall be used for deferred

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225 maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or expenses
226 associated with ongoing capital projects; and \$3,687,305 shall
227 be used for pursuing and supporting commercialization,
228 entrepreneurship, increasing and expanding research and
229 development activities, and collaborating with existing
230 industry in Alabama. Release of research funds is subject to
231 approved research plan related to these funds approved by the
232 Board of Trustees being submitted to the Director of Finance,
233 the Chair of the House Ways and Means-Education Committee, the
234 Chair of the Senate Committee on Finance and
235 Taxation-Education, and the Legislative Fiscal Officer.

236 (30) To Troy University for one-time expenses,
237 \$33,546,233. Of this amount, \$15,000,000 shall be used for
238 completion of the Nursing building and the Center for Materials
239 and Manufacturing Sciences building, and \$18,546,233 shall be
240 used for deferred maintenance, renovation of existing
241 facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing capital
242 projects.

243 (31) To the University of West Alabama for one-time
244 expenses, \$10,604,348. Of this amount, \$598,312 shall be used
245 for the concurrent 4-year ASN-BSN Program Option; \$335,700
246 shall be used for the Respiratory Therapy Program; \$339,900
247 shall be used for a new Student Recreation and Fitness Center;
248 \$654,565 shall be used for the Cahaba Biodiversity Center
249 Facilities Renovation; and \$8,675,871 shall be used for
250 deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or
251 expenses associated with ongoing capital projects.

252 (32) To Tuskegee University for one-time expenses for

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253 deferred maintenance, renovation of existing facilities, or
254 expenses associated with ongoing capital projects, \$7,000,000.

255 (33) To the Alabama Community College System for
256 one-time expenses, \$252,390,831. Of this amount, \$100,000,000
257 shall be used for Prison Education; \$30,000,000 shall be used
258 for Career Tech facilities and equipment upgrades, and
259 \$122,390,831 shall be used for deferred maintenance, renovation
260 of existing facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing
261 capital projects.

262 (34) To the Marine Environmental Science Consortium for
263 one-time expenses for deferred maintenance, renovation of
264 existing facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing
265 capital projects, \$2,000,000.

266 (35) To the Alabama Space Science Exhibit Commission for
267 one-time expenses for deferred maintenance, renovation of
268 existing facilities, or expenses associated with ongoing
269 capital projects, \$2,000,000.

270 Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately
271 upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or upon its
272 otherwise becoming law.