

By: Joint Budget Committee

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH, AND THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEES OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1991; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Arkansas Legislative Council for the 1989-91 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees, the grades to be assigned to the respective positions, and the maximum annual salaries for each such position. The maximum annual salary for the position assigned to grades shall be determined in accordance with, but shall not exceed the maximum annual amount, for the grade assigned herein, as established in Arkansas Code 21-5-209 and 21-5-215. The maximum annual salary of the Director, Asst. Directors, Special Asst. for Budget, Senior Staff Attorney, Tax Research Administrator, and State Personnel Review Administrator of said agency shall not exceed the maximum set forth herein. Except for the purpose of determining the maximum annual salary rate, which is to be applicable to each of the positions to which a salary grade is assigned hereafter, in accordance with the provisions of Arkansas Code 21-5-209 and 21-5-215, all positions set forth herein shall be exempt from other provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, but shall not be exempt from the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act, or its successor.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Years	
				1989-90	1990-91
(01)		DIRECTOR BUREAU OF LEGIS RSCH	1	\$ 71,133	\$ 72,911
(02)		ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	2	\$ 69,464	\$ 71,201
(03)		SPECIAL ASST/BUDGET	1	\$ 58,589	\$ 60,054
(04)		SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	1	\$ 53,112	\$ 54,440
(05)		TAX RESEARCH ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$ 51,250	\$ 52,531
(06)		STATE PERS REV ADMIN	1	\$ 47,247	\$ 48,429
(07)		LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY	6		GRADE 25
		LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	2		
(08)		PROGRAM ANALYST	1		GRADE 24
		LEGIS AUTOMATED SYS COORD	1		
(09)		SPECIAL PROJECTS ANALYST	1		GRADE 22
		ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	1		
		DIRECTOR'S EXEC ASST	1		
		LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	22		
(10)		MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST II	1		GRADE 19
(11)		ASST TO ASST DIR	2		GRADE 18
(12)		LEGIS ADMINISTRATIVE ASST	5		GRADE 17
		BUREAU FISCAL OFFICER	1		
(13)		LEGIS MICRO/PHOTO SUPV	1		GRADE 16

	ADMINISTRATIVE ASST II	4	
(14)	OFFICE SERVICES SUPV	1	GRADE 14
(15)	REFERENCE ANALYST	1	GRADE 13
	COMMUN SYS MGR	1	
	LEGIS COMMITTEE SECRE	11	
(16)	LEGISLATIVE CLERICAL SPEC	1	GRADE 11
(17)	FACILITIES COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 10
	MAXIMUM NO. OF EMPLOYEES	<u>72</u>	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Arkansas Legislative Council for the 1989-91 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: twenty (20) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Arkansas Legislative Council, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Arkansas Legislative Council for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEARS	
		1989-90	1990-91
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 2,338,093	\$ 2,334,361
(02)	EXTRA HELP	21,000	21,000
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	503,092	502,383
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES	\$ 470,613	\$ 551,883
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	102,359	143,420
	(C) PROF. FEES	52,500	28,750
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	100,000	75,000
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	37,320	55,980
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	762,792	855,033
(05)	COMMITTEE ROOMS	100,000	0
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ 3,724,977	\$ 3,712,777

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - INTERIM COMMITTEE STUDY EXPENSES. There is hereby appropriated, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for study expenses of the Joint Ad Interim Committees of the Arkansas General Assembly for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEARS	
		1989-90	1990-91
(01)	STUDY EXPENSES	\$ 172,961	\$ 258,492

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - INTERIM COMMITTEE EXPENSES. There is hereby appropriated, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for paying per diem, expenses, and mileage to members of the General Assembly attending regular and special meetings and other committee related activities of the Joint Ad Interim Committees of the Arkansas General Assembly for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEARS	
		1989-90	1990-91
(01)	PER DIEM, EXPENSES AND MILEAGE FOR		

MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHO ATTEND MEETINGS OF JOINT AD INTERIM COMMITTEES	\$	450,000	\$	624,193
(02) OUT OF STATE TRAVEL OF INTERIM COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO ARE AUTHORIZED BY APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES		<u>52,000</u>		<u>73,477</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$	502,000	\$	697,670

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS - SOUTH/WEST ENERGY COUNCIL. There is hereby appropriated, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for paying the State's contribution to the South/West Energy Council and paying expenses of members of the Arkansas General Assembly attending meetings of the South/West Energy Council for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEARS	
		1989-90	1990-91
(01)	PAYMENT OF STATE'S CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENSES OF MEMBERS	\$ 75,000	\$ 87,749

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATIONS - COMMUNICATIONS STUDY COMMITTEE. There is hereby appropriated, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for professional services required to determine the overall statewide radio, telecommunications and automated information systems needs of the State of Arkansas for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEARS	
		1989-90	1990-91
(01)	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$ 100,000	\$ 0

SECTION 8. TRANSFER PROVISION. Any unexpended balance of any appropriation provided in this Act which remains at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, shall be transferred forward and made available for the same purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991. In the event that unforeseen circumstances arise during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990 such that any appropriations made available for that year are insufficient, the Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Arkansas Legislative Council shall certify the amount thereof to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, who upon receipt of the certification, shall transfer the amount so certified from the appropriation authorized for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991 to the appropriate appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990.

SECTION 9. The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research is hereby authorized to direct the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to transfer appropriation between the appropriations made by this Act in such amounts as determined necessary in either fiscal year of the 1989-91 biennium. In no event, however, shall the Regular Salaries line item in Section 3 be increased or decreased by such transfers authorized herein.

SECTION 10. DISBURSING OFFICER. The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Arkansas Legislative Council shall be the disbursing officer for the funds appropriated by this Act, including the Interim Committee Study Expenses and all expenditures from the appropriations provided by this Act shall be in accordance with procedures established by the Legislative Council and in accordance with appropriate law.

SECTION 11. Arkansas Code 10-2-217(a)(1) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(a)(1) Members, or alternate members serving as members, of the interim committees of the General Assembly, as defined in subsection (b) of this section, and members of the General Assembly who shall perform "other interim legislative duties as authorized by law," as defined in subsection (b) of this section, shall be entitled to receive per diem in an amount of not exceed seventy-eight dollars (\$78.00) for each such day or so much thereof as determined by the Arkansas Legislative Council. In determining the amount of exceed the amount as prescribed by regulations of the Internal Revenue Service as promulgated pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 162(h). In addition to per diem, they shall be entitled to reimbursement for mileage for attending such meetings or for performing other interim legislative duties as authorized by law at the same rate as provided by law or regulation for official travel by state employees.

SECTION 11. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 13. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 14. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 15. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Seventh General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1989 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1989 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1989.

APPROVED: February 21, 1989
