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SENATE BILL 47

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 VETERANS' AFFAIRS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,  
11 2013; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS'  
15 AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2012-2013  
16 FISCAL YEAR.  
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the  
23 Department of Veterans' Affairs for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the following  
24 maximum number of regular employees.  
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Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2012-2013
30	(1) U008U	ADVA DIRECTOR	1	\$96,682
31	(2) G038C	ADVA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE C126
32	(3) L009C	NURSE MANAGER	1	GRADE C125
33	(4) L008C	NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE C125
34	(5) G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C124
35	(6) L019C	REGISTERED NURSE COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C123
36	(7) L027C	REGISTERED NURSE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C122



1	(8)	M009C	LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER	3	GRADE C121
2	(9)	L032C	REGISTERED NURSE - HOSPITAL	14	GRADE C121
3	(10)	G185C	ADVA PROGRAM COORDINATOR	3	GRADE C117
4	(11)	R025C	HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
5	(12)	G237C	VETERANS CEMETERY MANAGER	2	GRADE C117
6	(13)	P027C	PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C116
7	(14)	X113C	VETERANS CLAIMS SPECIALIST	7	GRADE C116
8	(15)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
9	(16)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
10	(17)	S033C	MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	4	GRADE C115
11	(18)	S044C	FOOD PREPARATION MANAGER	1	GRADE C114
12	(19)	R036C	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C113
13	(20)	L069C	LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE	27	GRADE C113
14	(21)	S046C	MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	5	GRADE C113
15	(22)	T072C	SECURITY OFFICER SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE C113
16	(23)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	7	GRADE C112
17	(24)	S056C	FOOD PREPARATION SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C111
18	(25)	M076C	RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	3	GRADE C111
19	(26)	T084C	PUBLIC SAFETY SECURITY OFFICER	8	GRADE C110
20	(27)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	3	GRADE C109
21	(28)	L082C	CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT	76	GRADE C109
22	(29)	S060C	HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR	4	GRADE C109
23	(30)	M082C	RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER I	1	GRADE C109
24	(31)	S065C	MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	2	GRADE C108
25	(32)	T087C	SECURITY OFFICER	2	GRADE C106
26	(33)	S086C	COOK	7	GRADE C104
27	(34)	S084C	INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C104
28	(35)	S087C	INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES ASSISTANT	20	GRADE C103
29	(36)	S089C	FOOD PREPARATION TECHNICIAN	<u>5</u>	GRADE C102
30			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	225	

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32 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 33 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the  
 34 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating  
 35 expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - State Operations for the  
 36 fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
4	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$838,421
5	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	290,649
6	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	68,444
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,130
9	(C) PROF. FEES	0
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11	(E) DATA PROC.	0
12	(04) AID TO COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE	
13	OFFICES	<u>283,500</u>
14	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,485,144</u></u>
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16 SECTION 3. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS' HOME DIVISION - STATE. There is  
 17 hereby authorized, for the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home -  
 18 State for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-  
 19 time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 20 appropriated herein for such purposes: seven (7) temporary or part-time  
 21 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 22 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 23 for the appropriate classification.

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 25 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME DIVISION - STATE. There is  
 26 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable  
 27 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and  
 28 operating expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home  
 29 Division - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

31	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
33	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,680,898
34	(02) EXTRA HELP	31,000
35	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,028,648
36	(04) OVERTIME	18,000

1	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	590,738
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
4	(C) PROF. FEES	64,275
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
6	(E) DATA PROC.	0
7	(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>160,801</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,579,360</u></u>

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10 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS' HOME - FAYETTEVILLE. There is hereby  
 11 authorized, for the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home  
 12 Fayetteville for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the following maximum number of  
 13 part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from  
 14 funds appropriated herein for such purposes: seven (7) temporary or part-time  
 15 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 16 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 17 for the appropriate classification.

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19 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME - FAYETTEVILLE. There is  
 20 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable  
 21 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief  
 22 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of  
 23 the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home - Fayetteville for the  
 24 fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
28	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,098,278
29	(02) EXTRA HELP	40,000
30	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,168,456
31	(04) OVERTIME	40,000
32	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,107,027
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,250
35	(C) PROF. FEES	200,000
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>475,000</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,134,011</u></u>

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5 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERIES - STATE. There is  
 6 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable  
 7 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and  
 8 operating expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans'  
 9 Cemeteries - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
13	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$343,021
14	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	132,589
15	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
16	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	106,150
17	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
18	(C) PROF. FEES	0
19	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
20	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$581,760</u></u>

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23 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERIES - CASH. There is  
 24 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable  
 25 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief  
 26 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of  
 27 Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Cemeteries - Cash for the fiscal year ending  
 28 June 30, 2013, the following:

30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
32	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$10,000
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
35	(C) PROF. FEES	0
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	130,000

1	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$145,000</u></u>

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4 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME - CASH. There is hereby

5 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the

6 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal

7 Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Veterans'

8 Affairs - Veterans' Home - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the

9 following:

10	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
11	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
12	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
13	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$150,000
14	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
15	(C) PROF. FEES	0
16	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
17	(E) DATA PROC.	0
18	(02) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>142,245</u>
19	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$292,245</u></u>

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22 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE VETERANS' CEMETERY -

23 BIRDEYE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans'

24 Affairs, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief

25 Fiscal Officer of the State, for construction expenses associated with

26 establishing an Arkansas State Veterans' Cemetery in Cross County by the

27 Department of Veterans' Affairs - Arkansas State Veterans' Cemetery - Birdeye

28 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

29	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
30	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
31	(01) CONSTRUCTION	<u><u>\$7,139,250</u></u>

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34 SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

35 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRAINING

36 CONFERENCES. The funds appropriated herein for Aid to County Veterans'

1 Service Offices may also be used by the Department of Veterans' Affairs to  
 2 pay expenses of County Veterans' Service Officers for attending regional or  
 3 statewide training conferences approved by the Department of Veterans'  
 4 Affairs and designed to provide better trained and qualified Veterans'  
 5 Service Officers in the various counties. Any such expenses paid by the  
 6 Department of Veterans' Affairs from funds appropriated herein shall be on  
 7 the same reimbursement basis as the reimbursement of state employees for  
 8 expenses incurred in attending their official business. Provided, no County  
 9 Veterans' Service Officer shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for  
 10 expenses incurred in attending more than two (2) approved conferences per  
 11 year.

12 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2010~~  
 13 2012 through June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013.

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15 SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 16 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. LIABILITY  
 17 INSURANCE APPROPRIATION RESTRICTION. In no event shall the Department of  
 18 Veterans' Affairs expend or transfer any appropriation or funds for the  
 19 purchase of malpractice liability insurance for the benefit of a non-  
 20 governmental entity.

21 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2010~~  
 22 2012 through June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013.

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24 SECTION 13. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
 25 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
 26 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
 27 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
 28 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
 29 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
 30 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
 31 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
 32 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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34 SECTION 14. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
 35 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
 36 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for

1 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
2 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
3 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
4 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
5 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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7 SECTION 15. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
8 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
9 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
10 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2012 is essential to the operation of  
11 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
12 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
13 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2012 could work irreparable harm  
14 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
15 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
16 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
17 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2012.  
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