

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1991**  
4 **By: Joint Budget Committee**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL 1310**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
9 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION FOR PAYING SURETY BOND PREMIUMS  
10 FOR STATE, COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
11 PARTICIPATING IN A BLANKET SURETY BOND PROGRAM FOR THEIR  
12 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30,  
13 1993; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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17 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
18 Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable  
19 from the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, for payment of blanket surety bond  
20 premiums for the State of Arkansas for the biennial period ending June 30,  
21 1993, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1991-92	1992-93
(01) SURETY BOND PREMIUMS	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000

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27 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
28 Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable  
29 from the County Aid Fund, for payment of blanket surety bond premiums for  
30 those counties participating in County Public Employee Blanket Bond Program  
31 for the biennial period ending June 30, 1993, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1991-92	1992-93
(01) SURETY BOND PREMIUMS	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000

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SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the Municipal Aid Fund, for payment of blanket surety bond premiums for those municipalities participating in the Municipal Public Employees Blanket Bond Program for the biennial period ending June 30, 1993, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
	1991-92	1992-93
NO.		
(01) SURETY BOND PREMIUMS	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$ 250,000</u>

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SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the Public School Fund, for payment of blanket surety bond premiums for those school districts participating in the Public School Employees Blanket Bond Program for the biennial period ending June 30, 1993, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
	1991-92	1992-93
NO.		
(01) SURETY BOND PREMIUMS	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$ 250,000</u>

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SECTION 5. DFA/BONDS-Billing Procedures. The State Risk Manager of the Department of Insurance shall submit to the Department of Finance and Administration a separate billing certification of the costs of blanket bond surety premiums for the State of Arkansas and for the Counties, Municipalities, and Public School Districts participating in the blanket surety bond program for public employees. Upon receipt of such billing certification, the disbursing officer of the Department of Finance and Administration shall prepare a voucher for paying the surety bond premium and attaching thereto a copy of the billing certification received from the State Risk Manager. The Department of Finance and Administration shall forward a copy of the voucher and supporting documentation for payment of County and Municipal Public Employee Blanket Bond Surety Premiums to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall withhold from the General Revenue Turnback of the County Aid Fund and the Municipal Aid Fund the respective amount of surety

1 bond premiums for each political jurisdiction participating in the County or  
 2 Municipal Public Employee Blanket Bond Program. The Department of Finance and  
 3 Administration shall forward a copy of the voucher and supporting  
 4 documentation for payment of Public School Employee Blanket Bond Surety  
 5 Premiums to the Department of Education. The Department of Education shall  
 6 withhold from the Public School Fund monies accruing to the benefit of each  
 7 school district participating in the Public School Employees Blanket Bond  
 8 Program the respective costs for each school districts' bond surety premium.  
 9 All state agencies, boards, commissions and institutions of higher education  
 10 shall reimburse the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, in such amounts as may be  
 11 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for payments of blanket  
 12 bond surety premiums as provided in Section 1 of this Act, by a fund transfer  
 13 or warrant made payable from the fund from which each state agency, board,  
 14 commission or institution of higher education receives its financial support.  
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16       *SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the*  
 17 *Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable*  
 18 *from the State General Services Fund Account, for educational and*  
 19 *informational activities, including but not limited to the preparation,*  
 20 *printing, and distribution of documents, relating to the actions of the*  
 21 *Governor and the legislature during the Seventy Eighth General Assembly, for*  
 22 *the biennial period ending June 30, 1993, the following:*

<i>ITEM</i>	<i>Fiscal Years</i>	
<i>NO.</i>	<i>1991-92</i>	<i>1992-93</i>
<i>(01) EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL ACTIVITIES</i>	<i><u>\$75,000</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 0</u></i>

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27       *SECTION 7. The Seventy Eighth General Assembly has enacted numerous*  
 28 *laws to establish programs to improve the quality of life for the citizens of*  
 29 *Arkansas, particularly in the area of education. In order to maximize the*  
 30 *benefits to the people of programs such as the Arkansas Academic Challenge*  
 31 *Scholarship Program, the Arkansas College Savings Bond Program, enhanced adult*  
 32 *literacy and work force training programs, and expanded health services,*  
 33 *informational and educational activities should be conducted to make the*  
 34 *public aware of the additional benefits and opportunities provided by such*  
 35 *programs. The Governor, in consultation with the President Pro Tem of the*  
 36 *Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall develop and*

1 *implement the informational and educational activities authorized and funded*  
2 *by this Section. The Governor shall make a quarterly report to the*  
3 *Legislative Council to advise the Council of the activities conducted pursuant*  
4 *to the authority of this Section.*

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6       *SECTION 8. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated to the*  
7 *Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable*  
8 *from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for*  
9 *payment of tuition and books for Arkansas law enforcement officers at state-*  
10 *supported institutions of higher education or state-supported technical or*  
11 *vocational schools for the biennial period ending June 30, 1993, the sum of*  
12 *. . . . . \$25,000.*

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14       *SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated to the*  
15 *Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer to be made*  
16 *payable from the State General Services Fund Account for the purchase and*  
17 *installation of a plaque to honor Arkansans' contributions to Desert*  
18 *Shield/Desert Storm for the biennial period ending June 30, 1993, the sum of*  
19 *. . . . . \$2,000.*

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21       *SECTION 10. The design and location of the plaque is to be determined*  
22 *by the Governor, Secretary of State, the two legislative members of the State*  
23 *Capitol Grounds Commission, the Director of Veteran Affairs and the Adjutant*  
24 *General.*

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

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1           SECTION 12. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
2 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
3 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which  
4 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
5 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
6 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
7 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
8 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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10           SECTION 13. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and  
11 permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and  
12 the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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14           SECTION 14. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the  
15 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such  
16 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which  
17 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this  
18 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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20           SECTION 15. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict  
21 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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23           SECTION 16. HEALTH PREMIUMS. The Department of Finance and  
24 Administration - Disbursing Officer shall not, during the 1992-93 fiscal year,  
25 spend more for health insurance per employee than the amount being contributed  
26 to the State Employees Health Insurance Program.

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28           SECTION 17. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
29 Seventy-Eighth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of  
30 Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year  
31 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1991 is essential to the  
32 operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided,  
33 and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the  
34 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1991 could work irreparable harm  
35 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 and  
3 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1991.

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*/s/John E. Miller*