

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1991**  
4 **By: Representative Hawkins**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL 1506**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO CREATE ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE FIFTEENTH  
9 JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROSECUTING ATTORNEY; AND FOR OTHER  
10 PURPOSES."

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

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14 SECTION 1. Subchapter 20 of Chapter 21 of Title 16 of the Arkansas Code  
15 is hereby amended by inserting an additional section at the end thereof to  
16 read as follows:

17 "16-21-2007. (a) Effective February 1, 1991, the Prosecuting Attorney  
18 of the 15th Judicial District shall have the power to appoint the following  
19 employees *if the prosecutor receives a grant award therefor*, without  
20 confirmation of any court or tribunal, at such salaries as are indicated  
21 below, or as are authorized in grants awarded from the Arkansas Department of  
22 Finance and Administration (DFA), Office of Intergovernmental Services (IGS),  
23 Arkansas Drug Law Enforcement Program (DLEP):

24 Law Enforcement Project Coordinator	\$26,000
25 Law Enforcement Field Supervisor	22,000
26 Law Enforcement Undercover Officer	16,500
27 Law Enforcement Undercover Officer	15,125
28 Bookkeeper/Secretary	14,000
29 Bookkeeper/Secretary	11,000

30 (b) The positions created in subsection (a) of this section shall be in  
31 addition to those created by Arkansas Code Annotated sections 16-21-113 and  
32 other Arkansas Code provisions. In the event additional funding becomes  
33 available, the Prosecuting Attorney may employ such additional employees and  
34 have expense allowances as are authorized in the DFA, IGS, DLEP grant awards.

35 (c) The Prosecuting Attorney for the 15th Judicial District shall

1 administer its DLEP grant from DFA, IGS. Expenditures may be made only for  
2 purposes of the grant. All monies *from the grant* are appropriated on a  
3 *continuing basis and are subject to* Arkansas Code Annotated Section 10-4-209,  
4 the Prosecuting Attorney's Financial Management System. *All law enforcement*  
5 *agent positions shall have peace officer jurisdiction throughout the Fifteenth*  
6 *Judicial District, and may serve process issuing out of all courts within the*  
7 *state. It is the explicit legislative intent that nothing in this section*  
8 *shall be construed to decrease, supplant or be substituted for employee*  
9 *positions, salaries, or expenses, nor maintenance and operation expenses or*  
10 *capital equipment expenditures which the 15th Judicial District Prosecuting*  
11 *Attorney's Office will receive through quorum court appropriation from and*  
12 *after February 1, 1991."*

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14 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
15 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
16 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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18 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
19 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
20 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
21 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
22 act are declared to be severable.

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24 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
25 hereby repealed.

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27 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General  
28 Assembly that there is an urgent need for additional personnel to fight the  
29 war on drugs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this  
30 act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace,  
31 health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage  
32 and approval.

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*/s/Bruce Hawkins*