

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

A Bill

SENATE BILL 665

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND
9 OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF RURAL HEALTH
10 INITIATIVES FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1993;
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

15 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
16 Office of Rural Health Initiatives for the 1991-93 biennium, the following
17 maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the
18 provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code
19 §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.
20 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary
21 is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said
22 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
23 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular
24 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
25 successor.

			Maximum Annual		
			Maximum	Salary Rate	
Item Class			No. of	Fiscal Years	
No.	Code	Title	Employees	1991-92	1992-93
31	(1)	OFFICE OF RURAL HEALTH			
32		INITIATIVES DIR	1	\$42,097	\$42,097
33	(2)	R134 PLANNING SPEC II	1	GRADE 18	
34		R264 MGT PROJECT ANALYST I	2		
35	(3)	K153 SECRETARY II	<u>1</u>	GRADE 13	

1 MAXIMUM NO. OF EMPLOYEES 5

2 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Office of
 3 Rural Health Initiatives for the 1991-93 biennium, the following maximum
 4 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",
 5 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one (1) temporary
 6 or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those
 7 provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor,
 8 or this act for the appropriate classification.

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10 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - OPERATIONS - STATE. There is hereby
 11 appropriated, to the Office of Rural Health Initiatives, to be payable from
 12 the State General Services Fund Account, for personal services and operating
 13 expenses and expenses of the Rural Health Commission for the biennial period
 14 ending June 30, 1993, the following:

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16 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
17 NO.	1991-92	1992-93
18 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 109,957	\$ 121,657
19 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	25,290	27,981
20 (03) EXTRA HELP	2,000	2,000
21 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
22 (A) OPER. EXPENSES \$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000
23 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL 10,000	10,000	10,000
24 (C) PROF. FEES 3,000	3,000	3,000
25 (D) CAPITAL OUTLAY 8,000	6,000	6,000
26 (E) DATA PROCESSING <u>2,000</u>	<u>3,500</u>	<u>3,500</u>
27 TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	150,000	177,481
28 (05) GRANTS	<u>300,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>
29 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 587,247</u>	<u>\$ 629,119</u>

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31 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - OPERATIONS - FEDERAL. There is hereby
 32 appropriated, to the Office of Rural Health Initiatives, to be payable from
 33 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 34 personal services and operating expenses, grants and or loans, the sum of
 35 \$1,500,000 for the biennial period ending June 30, 1993.

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1 SECTION 5. (a) The Office of Rural Health Initiatives shall assist the
2 Department of Health in the administrative functions pertaining to the Rural
3 Physician Recruitment and Retention Program.

4 (b) The Office of Rural Health Initiatives shall assist the Arkansas
5 Rural Medical Practice Student Loan and Scholarship Board in the
6 administrative functions pertaining to rural medical practice student loans
7 and scholarships (Ark. Code Ann. §6-81-701 through §6-81-714).

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9 SECTION 6. All of the powers, duties, and functions, records,
10 personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or
11 other funds of the Board of Finance pertaining to rural medical clinic loans
12 (Ark. Code Ann. §20-12-201 through §20-12-203) shall be transferred to the
13 Office of Rural Health Initiatives upon the effective date of this Act.

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15 SECTION 7. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
16 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
17 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
18 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
19 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
20 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control
21 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the
22 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
23 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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34 SECTION 9. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent
35 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
36 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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SECTION 10. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 11. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 12. HEALTH PREMIUMS. The Office of Rural Health Initiatives shall not, during the 1992-93 fiscal year, spend more for health insurance per employee than the amount being contributed to the State Employees Health Insurance Program.

SECTION 13. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Eighth 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, 1991 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, 1991 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, 1991.

/s/Russ