

State of Arkansas  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1085

By: Joint Budget Committee

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE  
LANDS AND FOR DISTRIBUTING PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OR  
REDEMPTION OF TAX DELINQUENT LAND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
ENDING JUNE 30, 2017; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE  
LANDS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2016-2017  
FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established  
for the Commissioner of State Lands for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the  
following maximum number of regular employees.

		Maximum Annual
		Salary Rate
		Fiscal Year
Item	No. of	
No.	Title	Employees
		2016-2017
(1)	GENERAL COUNSEL	1
(2)	CHIEF DEPUTY	1
(3)	IT DIRECTOR	1
(4)	STAFF ATTORNEY	1
(5)	REAL ESTATE DIRECTOR	1
(6)	PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR	1



1	(7)	OPERATIONS DIRECTOR	1	\$75,750
2	(8)	FISCAL DIRECTOR	1	\$75,750
3	(9)	GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS LIAISON	1	\$72,720
4	(10)	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF REAL ESTATE	1	\$71,205
5	(11)	FISCAL ASSOCIATE I	1	\$66,155
6	(12)	NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$65,650
7	(13)	HUMAN RESOURCES SUPERVISOR	1	\$65,650
8	(14)	MINERAL LEASING & NATURAL RESOURCES COORD	1	\$64,640
9	(15)	FISCAL ASSOCIATE II	2	\$62,620
10	(16)	RESEARCH COORDINATOR	1	\$59,590
11	(17)	REDEMPTION COORDINATOR	1	\$58,580
12	(18)	PUBLIC AFFAIRS LIAISON	1	\$58,580
13	(19)	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	\$58,580
14	(20)	PARALEGAL	1	\$55,550
15	(21)	LEGAL SECRETARY	1	\$55,550
16	(22)	RESEARCH TECH	5	\$54,540
17	(23)	RECORDS SPECIALIST	1	\$54,540
18	(24)	MANAGEMENT SECRETARY	2	\$53,530
19	(25)	FISCAL SECRETARY	1	\$52,015
20	(26)	FISCAL ASSOCIATE III	1	\$51,510
21	(27)	REDEMPTION TECH	3	\$50,500
22	(28)	ADMINISTRATION	1	\$48,480
23	(29)	REAL ESTATE SECRETARY	1	\$46,580
24	(30)	RECORDS RETENTION TECH	1	\$45,450
25	(31)	PUBLIC RELATIONS SECRETARY	1	\$45,450
26	(32)	CUSTOMER SERVICE ASSOCIATE	5	\$45,450
27	(33)	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	\$45,450
28		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	45	

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30 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for  
 31 the Commissioner of State Lands for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the following  
 32 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra  
 33 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: five (5)  
 34 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed  
 35 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its  
 36 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Commissioner of State Lands, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Commissioner of State Lands for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,689,619
(02) EXTRA HELP	40,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	866,191
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	66,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,671,810</u></u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - DELINQUENT TAX. There is hereby appropriated, to the Commissioner of State Lands, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Commissioner of State Lands, for operating expenses and for distributing proceeds from the sale or redemption of tax delinquent land as prescribed by Chapter 37 of Title 26 of the Arkansas Code by the Commissioner of State Lands for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,209,056
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	1,750,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0

(02)	REFUND/RECORDING FEE REIMBURSEMENTS	375,000
(03)	DELINQUENT TAX REMITTAL/SALE REFUNDS	<u>33,000,000</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$36,334,056</u></u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL OUTLAY/OPERATING EXPENSES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Commissioner of State Lands, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Commissioner of State Lands, from proceeds of fees collected by the Commissioner of State Lands, for operating expenses and capital outlay of the Commissioner of State Lands for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) CAPITAL OUTLAY/OPERATING EXP	<u><u>\$267,800</u></u>

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - ADOPT A DOCUMENT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Commissioner of State Lands, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Commissioner of State Lands, for personal services and operating expenses for the Adopt a Document Program administered by the Commissioner of State Lands for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) ADOPT A DOCUMENT PROGRAM EXPENSES	<u><u>\$250,000</u></u>

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - SUBMERGED LANDS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Commissioner of State Lands, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Commissioner of State Lands, for personal services and operating expenses for projects involving submerged land by the Commissioner of State Lands for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) SUBMERGED LANDS	<u><u>\$250,000</u></u>

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2 SECTION 8. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
3 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
4 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
5 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
6 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
7 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
8 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
9 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
10 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.  
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12 SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
13 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
14 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
15 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
16 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
17 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
18 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
19 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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21 SECTION 10. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
22 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
23 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
24 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2016 is essential to the operation of  
25 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
26 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
27 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2016 could work irreparable harm  
28 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
29 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
30 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
31 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2016.  
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