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A Bill

SENATE BILL 47

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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 INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
11 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR
15 GENERAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025
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 - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby
23 established for the Department of Inspector General for the 2024-2025 fiscal
24 year, the following maximum number of regular employees.
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Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2024-2025
30	(1) SC009	SECRETARY OF INSPECTOR GENERAL	1	GRADE SE05
31	(2) U125U	INSPECTOR GENERAL CHIEF COUNSEL	1	GRADE SE01
32	(3) D056C	SYSTEMS COORDINATION ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
33	(4) N199N	DIG DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS14
34	(5) A115C	DIG CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS12
35	(6) G249C	DIG PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE GS12
36	(7) G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10



1	(8)	G073C ATTORNEY	1	GRADE GS10
2	(9)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
3	(10)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
4	(11)	G179C LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
5	(12)	C046C LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS04
6		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	13	

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8 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT. There is

9 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Inspector General, to be payable

10 from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the

11 State with transfers from the State Central Services Fund, for personal

12 services and operating expenses of the Department of Inspector General -

13 Shared Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
17	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,086,799
18	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	345,848
19	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
20	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	8,350
21	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
22	(C) PROF. FEES	0
23	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
24	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
25	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,440,997</u>

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27 SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - OFFICE OF MEDICAID INSPECTOR

28 GENERAL. There is hereby established for the Department of Inspector General

29 - Office of Medicaid Inspector General for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the

30 following maximum number of regular employees.

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32			Maximum Annual
33		Maximum	Salary Rate
34	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
35	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
36	(1) U124U MEDICAID INSPECTOR GENERAL	1	GRADE SE03

1	(2)	L009C NURSE MANAGER	1	GRADE MP03
2	(3)	L027C REGISTERED NURSE SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE MP02
3	(4)	L038C REGISTERED NURSE	3	GRADE MP01
4	(5)	G250C DIG OPERATIONS MANAGER	2	GRADE GS11
5	(6)	M009C LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER	1	GRADE GS09
6	(7)	G251C DIG PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
7	(8)	A113C DIG SR. AUDITOR	10	GRADE GS08
8	(9)	X200C MEDICAID FRAUD INVESTIGATOR	1	GRADE GS07
9	(10)	A114C DIG AUDITOR	1	GRADE GS06
10	(11)	B076C RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS06
11		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	26	

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13 SECTION 4. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS - OFFICE OF MEDICAID INSPECTOR
 14 GENERAL. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Inspector General
 15 - Office of Medicaid Inspector General for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the
 16 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as
 17 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two
 18 (2) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to
 19 exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or
 20 its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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22 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS - OFFICE OF MEDICAID
 23 INSPECTOR GENERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
 24 Inspector General, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund
 25 Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of
 26 Inspector General - Office of Medicaid Inspector General - State Operations
 27 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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29	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
30	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
31	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$634,945
32	(02) EXTRA HELP	4,999
33	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	226,458
34	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	187,962
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,400

1	(C) PROF. FEES	2,800
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,060,564</u></u>

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6 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL OPERATIONS - OFFICE OF MEDICAID

7 INSPECTOR GENERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of

8 Inspector General, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the

9 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating

10 expenses of the Department of Inspector General - Office of Medicaid

11 Inspector General - Federal Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30,

12 2025, the following:

14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
16	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,009,874
17	(02) EXTRA HELP	5,001
18	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	348,059
19	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
20	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	209,489
21	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,800
22	(C) PROF. FEES	2,800
23	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
24	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
25	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,579,023</u></u>

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27 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - ENTERPRISE FRAUD PROGRAM - STATE - OFFICE OF

28 MEDICAID INSPECTOR GENERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department

29 of Inspector General, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund

30 Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Enterprise Fraud

31 Program of the Department of Inspector General - Office of Medicaid Inspector

32 General - Enterprise Fraud Program - State for the fiscal year ending June

33 30, 2025, the following:

35	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
36	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>

1 (01) ENTERPRISE FRAUD PROGRAM \$900,000

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3 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - ENTERPRISE FRAUD PROGRAM - FEDERAL - OFFICE
 4 OF MEDICAID INSPECTOR GENERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 5 Department of Inspector General, to be payable from the federal funds as
 6 designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services
 7 and operating expenses of the Enterprise Fraud Program of the Department of
 8 Inspector General - Office of Medicaid Inspector General - Enterprise Fraud
 9 Program - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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11 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
13 (01) ENTERPRISE FRAUD PROGRAM	<u>\$3,600,000</u>

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15 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - CASH OPERATIONS - OFFICE OF MEDICAID
 16 INSPECTOR GENERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
 17 Inspector General, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State
 18 Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal
 19 services and operating expenses of the Department of Inspector General -
 20 Office of Medicaid Inspector General - Cash Operations for the fiscal year
 21 ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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23 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
24 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
25 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$136,406
26 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	41,829
27 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
28 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	15,645
29 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,710
30 (C) PROF. FEES	1,200
31 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
32 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
33 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$201,790</u>

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35 SECTION 10. REGULAR SALARIES - ARKANSAS FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION. There
 36 is hereby established for the Department of Inspector General - Arkansas Fair

1 Housing Commission for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum
 2 number of regular employees.

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	Item Class	Maximum	Maximum	Salary Rate
	No. Code Title	No. of	Fiscal Year	
		Employees	2024-2025	
8	(1) N226N ARKANSAS FAIR HOUSING EXECUTIVE DIR	1	GRADE	GS15
9	(2) G073C ATTORNEY	1	GRADE	GS10
10	(3) X112C AFHC CHIEF INVESTIGATOR	1	GRADE	GS07
11	(4) C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE	GS07
12	(5) X150C AFHC INVESTIGATOR	5	GRADE	GS06
13	(6) A074C FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE	GS06
14	(7) G180C GRANTS ANALYST	1	GRADE	GS06
15	(8) P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE	GS06
16	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	12		

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18 SECTION 11. EXTRA HELP - ARKANSAS FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION. There is
 19 hereby authorized, for the Department of Inspector General - Arkansas Fair
 20 Housing Commission for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum
 21 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",
 22 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary
 23 or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those
 24 provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its
 25 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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27 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS FAIR HOUSING
 28 COMMISSION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Inspector
 29 General, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for
 30 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Inspector
 31 General - Arkansas Fair Housing Commission - Operations for the fiscal year
 32 ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
36	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$637,197

1	(02)	EXTRA HELP	40,000
2	(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	240,503
3	(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	191,573
5	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	58,000
6	(C)	PROF. FEES	57,007
7	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E)	DATA PROC.	0
9	(05)	PUBLIC EDUCATION	<u>899</u>
10		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,225,179</u>

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12 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - EDUCATION - TRUST - ARKANSAS FAIR HOUSING
 13 COMMISSION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Inspector
 14 General, to be payable from the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission Trust Fund,
 15 for operating expenses of the Department of Inspector General - Arkansas Fair
 16 Housing Commission - Education - Trust for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 17 2025, the following:

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19	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
20	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
21	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
22	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$81,569
23	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	55,000
24	(C) PROF. FEES	0
25	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
26	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
27	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$136,569</u>

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29 SECTION 14. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT. There is
 30 hereby established for the Department of Inspector General - Office of
 31 Internal Audit for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum number of
 32 regular employees.

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34		Maximum Annual
35		Salary Rate
36	Item Class	Maximum No. of Fiscal Year

No.	Code	Title	Employees	2024-2025
(1)	N219N	DFA ADMINISTRATOR-INTERNAL AUDIT	1	GRADE SE02
(2)	A144C	INTERNAL AUDIT DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
(3)	A010C	AGENCY CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE GS13
(4)	A044C	AUDIT COORDINATOR	5	GRADE GS10
(5)	A081C	AUDITOR	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS07
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	9	

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT - OPERATIONS.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Inspector General, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Inspector General - Office of Internal Audit - Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR
	2024-2025
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$772,222
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	245,689
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	105,659
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,500
(C) PROF. FEES	20,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	<u>70,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,217,070</u>

SECTION 16. REGULAR SALARIES - INDEPENDENT TAX APPEALS COMMISSION.

There is hereby established for the Department of Inspector General - Independent Tax Appeals Commission for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item Class	Maximum No. of	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year
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No.	Code	Title	Employees	2024-2025
(1)	N247N	TAX APPEALS COMMISSIONER	3	GRADE SE04
(2)	D057C	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER	1	GRADE IT05
(3)	A143C	TAX APPEALS ACCOUNTANT	1	GRADE GS13
(4)	G310C	TAX APPEALS STAFF ATTORNEY	1	GRADE GS13
(5)	C118C	COMMISSIONER ASSISTANT	1	GRADE GS10
(6)	A054C	TAX AUDITOR II	1	GRADE GS09
(7)	G311C	TAX APPEALS COMMISSION LAW CLERK	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS07
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	9	

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11 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - INDEPENDENT TAX APPEALS COMMISSION. There
 12 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Inspector General, to be payable
 13 from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating
 14 expenses of the Department of Inspector General - Independent Tax Appeals
 15 Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$897,417
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	273,790
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	500,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	125,000
(C) PROF. FEES	500,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,296,207</u></u>

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 29 SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 30 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SHARED
 31 SERVICES. (a)(1) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may create a Shared
 32 Services paying accounts on his or her books and on the books of the
 33 Treasurer of State and the Auditor of State for the payment of personal
 34 services and operating expenses in the Shared Services Paying Account
 35 Appropriation by the Department of Inspector General.

36 (2) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall direct the transfer

1 of funds and appropriations to the Shared Services Paying Account
2 appropriation section of this act on the books of the Treasurer of State, the
3 Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

4 (3) The transfer authority provided to the department in
5 subdivision (a)(2) of this section may be used to make transfers only within
6 the department's appropriation act or between other appropriation acts
7 authorized for the department.

8 (4) The provisions of this section shall be in effect from the
9 date of passage through June 30, ~~2024~~ 2025.

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11 SECTION 19. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
12 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS
13 FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. Upon approval of the Chief Fiscal
14 Officer of the State, the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission is hereby
15 authorized to transfer appropriation from Operating Expenses to Promotional
16 Items in the Education Trust Appropriation provided by this Act in an amount
17 not to exceed eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) each fiscal year to meet the
18 Commission's educational needs.

19 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2023~~
20 2024 through June 30, ~~2024~~ 2025.

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22 SECTION 20. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
23 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
24 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
25 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
26 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
27 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
28 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
29 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
30 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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32 SECTION 21. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
33 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
34 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
35 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
36 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget

1 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
2 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
3 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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5 SECTION 22. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
6 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
7 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
8 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of
9 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
10 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
11 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 could work irreparable harm
12 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
13 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
14 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
15 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2024.
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