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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 16

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 HUMAN  
10 SERVICES - DIVISION OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES  
11 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR  
12 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
16 SERVICES - DIVISION OF CHILDREN AND  
17 FAMILY SERVICES APPROPRIATION FOR THE  
18 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established  
25 for the Department of Human Services - Division of Children and Family  
26 Services for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum number of  
27 regular employees.  
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Item	Class	No.	Title	Maximum	No. of	Maximum Annual
						Salary Rate
						Fiscal Year
						2024-2025
33	(1)	N249N	DHS DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	1	GRADE SE02
34	(2)	L038C	REGISTERED NURSE	1	1	GRADE MP01
35	(3)	N016N	DHS DEP DIR ADMINISTRATIVE SVCS	1	1	GRADE GS15
36	(4)	N134N	DHS/DCFS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	4	4	GRADE GS14



1	(5) N121N DHS/DCFS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	2	GRADE GS14
2	<del>(6) N156N BEHAV HLTH ASST DIR CHILDRENS SVS</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS12</del>
3	(7) G101C DHS AREA MANAGER	10	GRADE GS12
4	<del>(8) N151N DHS/DCFS ADMR ADMIN SERVICES</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS12</del>
5	(8.1) G027N DHS RESEARCH ANALYSIS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS11
6	(9) G100C DHS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR III	2	GRADE GS10
7	(9.1) G073C ATTORNEY	1	GRADE GS10
8	(11) M011C FAMILY SERVICE WORKER COUNTY SUPV	29	GRADE GS09
9	(12) M016C DHS FIELD MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
10	(13) G152C DHS PROGRAM MANAGER	5	GRADE GS08
11	(14) M010C FAMILY SERVICE WORKER CLINICAL SPEC	26	GRADE GS08
12	(15) M015C FAMILY SERVICE WORKER SUPERVISOR	164	GRADE GS08
13	(16) X062C QUALITY ASSURANCE COORDINATOR	3	GRADE GS08
14	(17) E023C TRAINING PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
15	(18) R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
16	(19) G183C DHS PROGRAM COORDINATOR	12	GRADE GS07
17	(20) G267C DHS PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY ANALYST	2	GRADE GS07
18	(21) M027C FAMILY SERVICE WORKER SPECIALIST	673	GRADE GS07
19	(22) M040C FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
20	(23) X095C QUALITY ASSURANCE ANALYST	3	GRADE GS07
21	(24) C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	13	GRADE GS06
22	(25) G210C DHS PROGRAM SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS06
23	(26) M041C DHS/DCFS FIELD SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE	1	GRADE GS06
24	(27) M051C FAMILY SERVICE WORKER	46	GRADE GS06
25	(28) M066C PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS06
26	(28.1) E044C CERTIFIED BACHELORS TEACHER	1	GRADE GS06
27	(28.2) M053C CHILD CARE SERVICE SPECIALIST	5	GRADE GS06
28	(28.3) A074C FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
29	(29) M054C SOCIAL SERVICE WORKER	1	GRADE GS06
30	(30) A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	11	GRADE GS05
31	(31) C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	26	GRADE GS04
32	(32) L078C FAMILY SERVICES ASSISTANT	9	GRADE GS04
33	(33) A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
34	(34) C046C LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS04
35	(35) C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	2	GRADE GS03
36	(36) M090C DHS PROGRAM ASSISTANT	335	GRADE GS03

1 (37) C062C LOCAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE ASST 18 GRADE GS03  
 2 MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES 1,443

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 4 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for  
 5 the Department of Human Services - Division of Children and Family Services  
 6 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or  
 7 temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 8 appropriated herein for such purposes: sixty-five (65) temporary or part-  
 9 time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in  
 10 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this  
 11 act for the appropriate classification.

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 13 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 14 to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the paying account as  
 15 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services  
 16 and operating expenses of the Department of Human Services - Division of  
 17 Children and Family Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the  
 18 following:

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20 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
22 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$61,637,335
23 (02) EXTRA HELP	1,231,570
24 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	26,983,261
25 (04) OVERTIME	5,061,305
26 (05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
27 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	17,369,010
28 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	41,711
29 (C) PROF. FEES	33,236,462
30 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
31 (E) DATA PROC.	0
32 (06) DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	<u>1,595,570</u>
33 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$147,156,224</u>

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 35 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS - STATE. There is hereby  
 36 appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the

1 Children and Family Services Fund Account, for grant payments of the  
2 Department of Human Services - Division of Children and Family Services -  
3 Grants - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:  
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5 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
6 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
7 (01) FOSTER CARE	\$54,006,830
8 (02) STATE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT	<u>10,647,249</u>
9 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$64,654,079</u>

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11 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - TANF - FOSTER CARE. There is hereby  
12 appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the  
13 paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
14 grant payments of the Department of Human Services - Division of Children and  
15 Family Services - TANF - Foster Care for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
16 2025, the following:  
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18 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
20 (01) TANF/FOSTER CARE	<u>\$102,907,999</u>

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22 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION  
23 OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human  
24 Services, to be payable from the Children's Trust Fund, for operating  
25 expenses and grants or loans for the development or operation of child abuse  
26 prevention programs of the Department of Human Services - Division of  
27 Children and Family Services - Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board for  
28 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:  
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30 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
32 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$17,770
34 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
35 (C) PROF. FEES	0
36 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(02) CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION	
3	GRANT AND AID/LOANS	<u>197,029</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$214,799</u></u>

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6 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - SAFE HARBOR GRANTS. There is hereby

7 appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the

8 Safe Harbor Fund for Sexually Exploited Children, for grants to Children's

9 Advocacy Centers statewide for services and treatment for sexually exploited

10 children by the Department of Human Services - Division of Children and

11 Family Services - Safe Harbor Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30,

12 2025, the following:

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14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
16	(01) SAFE HARBOR GRANTS	<u><u>\$50,000</u></u>

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18 SECTION 8. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds

19 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency

20 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and

21 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and

22 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary

23 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal

24 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by

25 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be

26 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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28 SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General

29 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations

30 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for

31 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive

32 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget

33 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or

34 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative

35 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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1            SECTION 10. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
2            General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
3            the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
4            effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of  
5            the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
6            the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
7            effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 could work irreparable harm  
8            upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
9            programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
10           being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
11           and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2024.

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*/s/Joint Budget Committee*

**APPROVED: 4/30/24**