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2 94th General Assembly
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4

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1011

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 PUBLIC
10 SAFETY - DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR THE
11 FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
15 SAFETY - DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
16 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL
17 YEAR.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
24 Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management for the 2024-
25 2025 fiscal 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
31	(1)	U013U ADEM DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
32	(2)	D043C ADEM INFO TECHNOLOGY DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE IT08
33	(3)	D014C STATE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE IT08
34	(4)	D122C IT PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE IT07
35	(5)	D016C SENIOR TECHNOLOGY ANALYST	1	GRADE IT06
36	(6)	D068C INFORMATION SYSTEMS ANALYST	2	GRADE IT04



1	(7)	D065C NETWORK SUPPORT ANALYST	4	GRADE IT04
2	(8)	D084C COMPUTER OPERATOR	1	GRADE IT02
3	(8.1)	G350C ADEM SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS13
4	(9)	G055C ADEM DEPUTY DIRECTOR	2	GRADE GS12
5	(10)	A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
6	(11)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
7	(12)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	2	GRADE GS10
8	(13)	P004C PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
9	(13.1)	C108C ADEM DIVISION DIRECTOR	4	GRADE GS09
10	(13.2)	E022C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
11	(13.3)	G109C GRANTS MANAGER	3	GRADE GS09
12	(14)	G140C ADEM PROGRAM MANAGER	3	GRADE GS08
13	(15)	V002C FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
14	(16)	A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR	1	GRADE GS08
15	(17)	R014C PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
16	(17.1)	E026C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS08
17	(18)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE GS07
18	(19)	G157C ADEM AREA COORDINATOR	7	GRADE GS07
19	(20)	R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
20	(21)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
21	(22)	A075C FINANCIAL ANALYST I	1	GRADE GS07
22	(23)	G147C GRANTS COORDINATOR	3	GRADE GS07
23	(24)	A063C RESEARCH & STATISTICS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS07
24	(25)	G175C ADEM PROGRAM COORDINATOR	7	GRADE GS06
25	(26)	R027C BUDGET SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
26	(27)	G208C EMERGENCY PLANNER	5	GRADE GS06
27	(28)	G180C GRANTS ANALYST	4	GRADE GS06
28	(29)	G214C GRANTS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
29	(30)	G204C PLANNING SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS06
30	(31)	T061C SENIOR IA	1	GRADE GS06
31	(32)	D074C TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
32	(33)	E046C TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	1	GRADE GS06
33	(33.1)	C120C ADEM SR EMERGENCY MGMT DUTY OFFICER	8	GRADE GS06
34	(34)	C038C ADEM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DUTY OFFICER	1	GRADE GS05
35	(35)	V014C BUYER	1	GRADE GS05
36	(36)	V012C FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS05

1	(37) A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	5	GRADE GS05
2	(38) S034C INTERSTATE TRUCK DRIVER	3	GRADE GS05
3	(38.1) S025C BUILDING & GROUNDS COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS05
4	(39) C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	7	GRADE GS04
5	(40) T079C FACILITY MANAGER II	1	GRADE GS04
6	(41) A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	3	GRADE GS04
7	(42) R036C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
8	(43) S046C MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE GS04
9	(44) V021C SURPLUS PROPERTY AGENT	3	GRADE GS04
10	(45) V019C SURPLUS PROPERTY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
11	(46) C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	1	GRADE GS03
12	(47) S050C MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS03
13	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	112	

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15 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department
 16 of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management for the 2024-2025 fiscal
 17 year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be
 18 known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such
 19 purposes: twenty-eight (28) temporary or part-time employees, when needed,
 20 at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification
 21 and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 22 classification.

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24 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 25 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the
 26 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating
 27 expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency
 28 Management - State Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the
 29 following:

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31	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
33	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,076,521
34	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,199,117
35	(03) OVERTIME	10,000
36	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

1	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	490,306
2	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
3	(C) PROF. FEES	0
4	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
5	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,775,944</u></u>

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8 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 9 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the
 10 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 11 personal services, operating expenses and First Responder and Homeland
 12 Security Grants and Aid of the Department of Public Safety - Division of
 13 Emergency Management - Federal Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 14 2025, the following:

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16	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
17	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
18	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$465,662
19	(02) EXTRA HELP	156,438
20	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	192,014
21	(04) OVERTIME	5,000
22	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,155,207
24	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	100,000
25	(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
26	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,047,000
27	(E) DATA PROC.	0
28	(06) GRANTS / AID - FIRST RESPONDER &	
29	HOMELAND SECURITY	<u>10,000,000</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$13,221,321</u></u>

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32 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - DISASTER RELIEF GRANTS. There is hereby
 33 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the
 34 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 35 personal services, operating expenses and Disaster Relief Grants and Aid of
 36 the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Disaster

1 Relief Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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3	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
5	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$459,764
6	(02) EXTRA HELP	625,751
7	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	265,312
8	(04) OVERTIME	175,000
9	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
10	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	120,850
11	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
12	(C) PROF. FEES	234,500
13	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
14	(E) DATA PROC.	0
15	(06) GRANTS/AID DISASTER RELIEF	<u>252,347,245</u>
16	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$254,258,422</u>

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18 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. There is hereby
 19 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the
 20 Office of Hazardous Materials Emergency Management Revolving Fund, for
 21 personal services, operating expenses and Hazardous Materials Management
 22 Grants and Aid of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency
 23 Management - Hazardous Materials for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025,
 24 the following:

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26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
28	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$159,420
29	(02) EXTRA HELP	32,176
30	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	67,639
31	(04) OVERTIME	5,000
32	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	280,438
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	82,792
35	(C) PROF. FEES	25,000
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	130,000

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(06) GRANTS/AID - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
3	MANAGEMENT	<u>10,000</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$792,465</u></u>

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6 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - DISASTER RELIEF TRUST. There is hereby

7 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the

8 Arkansas Disaster Relief Program Trust Fund, for assistance to victims of

9 state or federally declared disasters of the Department of Public Safety -

10 Division of Emergency Management - Disaster Relief Trust for the fiscal year

11 ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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13	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
15	(01) GRANTS/AID - DISASTER RELIEF	<u><u>\$639,365</u></u>

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17 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE GRANTS.

18 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be

19 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by

20 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the

21 Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Radiological

22 Emergency Response Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the

23 following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
27	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
28	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$20,500
29	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	19,500
30	(C) PROF. FEES	0
31	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
32	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
33	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$40,000</u></u>

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35 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER - CASH. There

36 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable

1 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
2 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of
3 Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Emergency Operations
4 Center - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

6 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
7 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
8 (01) EOC EXPENSES	<u>\$207,440</u>

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10 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM. There is
11 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from
12 the Federal Surplus Property Fund, for personal services and operating
13 expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency
14 Management - Federal Surplus Property Program for the fiscal year ending June
15 30, 2025, the following:

17 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
18 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
19 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$674,839
20 (02) EXTRA HELP	6,000
21 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	294,170
22 (04) OVERTIME	30,000
23 (05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,092,031
25 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
26 (C) PROF. FEES	15,263
27 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	999,000
28 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
29 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$3,126,303</u>

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31 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS 911 RURAL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM.
32 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be
33 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by
34 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating
35 expenses and Enhancement Grants and Aid of the Department of Public Safety -
36 Division of Emergency Management - Arkansas 911 Rural Enhancement Program for

1 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
5 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$41,742
6 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	17,341
7 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	937,636
9 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
10 (C) PROF. FEES	0
11 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	60,000
12 (E) DATA PROC.	0
13 (04) ENHANCEMENT GRANTS	<u>2,000,000</u>
14 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,066,719</u></u>

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16 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - IMMEDIATE DISASTER RESPONSE. There is
 17 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety - Division of
 18 Emergency Management, to be payable from the Immediate Disaster Response
 19 Fund, for immediate expenses related to disaster response requests for the
 20 fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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22 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
24 (01) IMMEDIATE DISASTER RESPONSE	<u>\$200,000</u>

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26 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS PUBLIC SAFETY TRUST. There is
 27 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety - Division of
 28 Emergency Management, to be payable from the Arkansas Public Safety Trust
 29 Fund, for disbursements related to costs that enhance, operate, and maintain
 30 911 services in the State of Arkansas for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 31 2025, the following:

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33 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
35 (01) REFUNDS/INVESTMENTS/TRANSFERS	<u>\$75,000,000</u>

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1 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS PUBLIC SAFETY TRUST FUND
 2 ADMINISTRATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public
 3 Safety, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as
 4 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for administrative
 5 expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency
 6 Management - Arkansas Public Safety Trust Fund Administration for the fiscal
 7 year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

8	9 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
10	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
11	(01) ARKANSAS PUBLIC SAFETY TRUST FUND	
12	ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	<u>\$168,000</u>

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 14 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS WIRELESS INFORMATION NETWORK -
 15 CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to
 16 be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined
 17 by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for expenses of the Department of
 18 Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Arkansas Wireless
 19 Information Network - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the
 20 following:

21	22 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
24	(01) ARKANSAS WIRELESS INFORMATION NETWORK	
25	EXPENSES	<u>\$10,000,000</u>

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 27 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT. There is hereby
 28 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the
 29 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for expense reimbursements of the
 30 Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board by the Department of Public Safety -
 31 Division of Emergency Management - Expense Reimbursement for the fiscal year
 32 ending June 30, 2025, the following:

33	34 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
36	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

1	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$5,000
2	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
3	(C) PROF. FEES	0
4	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
5	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$5,000</u></u>

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8 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS WIRELESS INFORMATION NETWORK.

9 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be
10 payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services
11 and operating expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of
12 Emergency Management - Arkansas Wireless Information Network for the fiscal
13 year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
17	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$436,151
18	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	155,015
19	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
20	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	6,801,925
21	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
22	(C) PROF. FEES	0
23	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
24	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
25	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,398,091</u></u>

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27 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - LEVEE MITIGATION - CASH. There is hereby
28 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the cash
29 fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal
30 Officer of the State, for expenses related to levee mitigation efforts
31 throughout the State of Arkansas of the Department of Public Safety -
32 Division of Emergency Management - Levee Mitigation - Cash for the fiscal
33 year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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

1 (01) LEVEE MITIGATION PROGRAM \$250,000

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3 SECTION 19. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES.

4 There is hereby established for the Department of Public Safety - Division of
5 Emergency Management - Office of Fire Protection Services for the 2024-2025
6 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

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Item Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
No. Code Title	No. of	2024-2025
	Employees	
(1) B021C LICENSED ARCHITECT	2	GRADE GS09
(2) X188C FIRE MARSHAL INSPECTOR	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS03
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	4	

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the Fire Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Office of Fire Protection Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$176,797
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	105,721
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	29,423
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	150
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$312,091</u>

SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from

1 the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for miscellaneous grants and
2 expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency
3 Management - Fire Protection Services Board for the fiscal year ending June
4 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2024-2025
(01) FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD GRANTS	<u>\$30,000</u>

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10 SECTION 22. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
11 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. OFFICE OF
12 FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES. PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Department of Public Safety
13 - Division of Emergency Management - Office of Fire Protection Services is
14 hereby authorized to purchase from the Fire Protection Services Board Grants
15 appropriation provided by this Act, up to an amount not to exceed \$7,500 each
16 fiscal year, promotional items, authorized by the Secretary of the
17 Department.

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

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

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31 SECTION 24. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
32 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
33 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
34 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
35 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
36 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or

1 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
2 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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4 SECTION 25. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
5 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
6 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
7 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of
8 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
9 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
10 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 could work irreparable harm
11 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
12 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
13 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
14 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2024.

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16 */s/Joint Budget Committee*
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