

**SUMMARY  
OF ACTION ON**

**FISCAL LEGISLATION**

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## **MAJOR FISCAL LEGISLATION**

**SUMMARY of ACTS and EFFECTS on REVENUE  
from the 2nd EXTRAORDINARY SESSION  
of the 84th GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**Act 108 (SB 93)**

Creates the Educational Adequacy Fund and reflects that the fund shall consist of all net revenues collected due to enactments of the 84th General Assembly meeting in Second Extraordinary Session, except as otherwise provided.

**Act 70 (HB 1100)**

Provides for a tax amnesty program effective July 1, 2004 until December 31, 2004. The amnesty program will be available for any state or local tax or fee that should have been reported prior to January 1, 2003. Penalties and interest will be waived for qualifying taxpayers. To qualify for amnesty, the taxpayer must make voluntary payment of all taxes due within three months of their amnesty application. Applications will not be accepted after September 30, 2004.

FY 2005 = \$2,000,000

**Act 94 (SB 80)**

Increases the Corporate Franchise Tax annual rate and minimum tax amount due effective for calendar year 2004. Within each fiscal year, the first \$8,000,000 will be deposited by the State Treasurer into the General Revenue Fund Account and all Corporate Franchise Tax revenues collected thereafter shall be deposited in the Educational Adequacy Fund.

FY 2005 = \$6,000,000

FY 2006 = \$8,000,000

**Act 107 (HB 1030)**

Increases the gross receipts and compensating use tax rate by seven-eighths of one percent (7/8 %), effective March 1, 2004. Includes within the tax base, for the first time, specific service companies or business practices, effective July 1, 2004.

Also effective July 1, 2004, increases the wholesale vending tax rate from 4.5% to 6% and the vending decal fee from \$70 to \$93 annually.

FY 2004 = \$ 82,000,000 (Educational Adequacy Fund)

FY 2005 = \$360,300,000 (Educational Adequacy Fund)

    \$ 2,400,000 (Property Tax Relief Trust Fund)

    \$ 600,000 (Conservation Tax Fund)

FY 2006 = \$372,300,000 (Educational Adequacy Fund)

    \$ 2,600,000 (Property Tax Relief Trust Fund)

    \$ 700,000 (Conservation Tax Fund)

School Funding Proposals Enacted by the 2nd Extraordinary Session of the 84th General Assembly

Appropriation Act		2004 and 2005 FY	Enabling Act
Act 77	SB79-Adequacy Reform Costs	\$ 392,069,804	Act 59
Act 99	SB55-Pre-Kindergarten	\$ 40,000,000	Act 49
Act 77	SB79-Catastrophic Special Education	\$ 8,800,000	Act 77
Act 98	SB91-Dept. of Education	\$ 9,058,870	Various
Act 98	SB91-Student Assessment & Education Accountability	\$ 17,352,000	Act 35
Act 98	SB91 Teacher Incentives	\$ 2,100,000	Act 101
Act 86	SB51-Master Principal	\$ 1,000,000	Act 44
Act 95	HB1098-Incentive Millage (Power Equalization)	\$ 10,000,000	Act 69
Act 92	HB1061-Housing Authority	\$ 300,000	Act 39
Act 66	HB1078-Higher Education Coordinator	\$ 89,949	Act 48
Act 97	HB1138-Renewal Zones	\$ 1,997,230	Act 106
Act 98	Additional Desegregation Cost	\$ 24,000,000	Act 98
	<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>	<u>\$ 506,767,853</u>	
	Public School Fund Savings and Balance	\$ 50,000,000	
	Local Millage Growth Above 2004	\$ 25,000,000	
	2005 Unallocated Estimated General Revenue Growth	\$ 22,000,000	
	<b>INCOME AVAILABLE WITHOUT TAX CHANGES</b>	<u>\$ 97,000,000</u>	
	<b>NEW TAXES REQUIRED</b>	<u><b>\$ 409,767,853</b></u>	
	<b>NEW TAXES ENACTED</b>		
Act 70	Tax Amnesty	\$ 2,000,000	Public School Facilities Fund
Act 94	Corporate Franchise	\$ 6,000,000	Educational Adequacy Fund
Act 107	Sales and Use Taxes	<u>\$ 442,300,000</u>	Educational Adequacy Fund
	<b>TOTAL TAXES ENACTED</b>	<u><b>\$ 450,300,000</b></u>	

**FEDERAL FISCAL RELIEF FUND  
TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED  
(ACT 72 OF 2ND EXT. SESSION, 2003)**

**FUNDS AVAILABLE**

School District Consolidation Incentive Fund	\$ 68,182,150.65
Revenue Stabilization Relief Fund	22,727,383.55
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$ 90,909,534.20</b>

<u>ACT/(BILL NO.)</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	
Act 15/(SB15)	Bisbee	Veteran's Home Payment of Fees	\$ 314,000.00
Act 27/(SB43)	Broadway et al	National School Lunch Students Funding	5,000,000.00
Act 30/(SB44)	Critcher	Technical Careers Student Loan Forgiveness Program	1,320,000.00
Act 60/(HB1109)	Bond et al	Public Education Reorganization	37,097,560.00
Act 72/(HB1130)	JBC	Supplement General Revenues (Maximum)	25,000,000.00
Act 88/(HB1135)	Mahony	DHE-National Science Foundation Grant Matching Funds	94,866.00
Act 79/(HB1148)	Stovall	Repeal Act 27 of 2nd Extraordinary Session, 2003	(5,000,000.00)
Act 85/(SB84)	Broadway et al	Various Transfers from Federal Fiscal Relief Fund	11,540,000.00
Act 93/(SB85)	Higginbothom	Sec. of State - Corporate Franchise Tax Increase Implementation	206,000.00
Act 96/(HB1052)	House et al	Distance Learning Grants	10,000,000.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 85,572,426.00</b>
		<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 5,337,108.20</b>

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**SIGNIFICANT FISCAL LEGISLATION  
AFFECTING STATE AGENCIES**



## **CLAIMS COMMISSION - APPROVED CLAIMS, ARKANSAS STATE**

Act 12 (SB5) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Appropriates \$778,028.24 to Department of Finance and Administration to pay various claims against the State.
- Appropriates \$361,602.78 to Department of Human Services to pay various claims against the State.
- Appropriates \$21,341.84 to the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission to pay a claim against the State.
- Appropriates \$49,382 to the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department to pay a claim against the State.

Act 54 (SB70) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Appropriates \$901,394.2 to Department of Finance and Administration to pay various claims against the State.
- Appropriates \$236,472.11 to Department of Human Services to pay various claims against the State.
- Appropriates \$1,085.42 to the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department to pay a claim against the State.

## **COMMUNITY CORRECTION, DEPARTMENT OF**

Act 18 (SB 20) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Reimbursement To Counties Housing State Inmates. Authorizes appropriation payable from the County Jail Reimbursement Fund totaling \$1,200,000 during the 2003-04 fiscal year and \$2,000,000 during the 2004-05 fiscal year for reimbursement to counties housing state inmates.
- Reimbursement to counties for housing Community Correction inmates is authorized by Act 16 of the Second Extraordinary Session, 2003.

## **EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

Act 77 (SB79) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Authorizes appropriation totaling \$2,029,010,259 for the 2004-05 fiscal year primarily to carry out the provisions of Act 59, Second Extraordinary Session, the Public School Funding Act of 2003, for the distribution of state funds to school districts to provide an adequate education for each student.
- STATE FOUNDATION FUNDING AID: Appropriation of \$1,760,751,092 is authorized for State Foundation Aid which represents the state portion of the Foundation Funding Aid Program. State Foundation Funding Aid is the largest state aid component of the new public school funding formula. The total Foundation Funding Aid program, consisting of state and local revenue, is estimated to be \$2.4 billion during the 2004-05 school year. Foundation Funding Aid will provide each school district during the 2004-05 school year an amount of \$5,400 per Average Daily Membership (ADM) which is calculated using each districts previous year ADM.

- **NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH STUDENT FUNDING :** Appropriation of \$132,146,400 is authorized for National School Lunch (NSL) Student Funding. Monies are distributed to school districts based on the number of students from low socio-economic backgrounds as indicated by eligibility for free or reduced-priced meals under the National School Lunch Act as calculated on October 1 of each year. For school districts in which 90% or greater of the enrolled students are national school lunch students, the amount of funding per NSL student is \$1,440; School districts in which at least 70% but less than 90% of the enrolled students are national school lunch students, the amount of funding per NSL student is \$960; and school districts in which less than 70% of the enrolled students are national school lunch students, the amount of funding per NSL student is \$480.
- **ALTERNATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT STUDENT FUNDING:** Appropriation totaling \$15,914,438 is authorized for student intervention programs in compliance with Arkansas Code 6-18-508 and 6-18-509 that seeks to eliminate traditional barriers to learning for students. For the 2004-05 fiscal year the amount of Alternative Learning Environmental Funding is \$3,250 per identified student in the alternative environment during the 2003-2004 school year and \$3,250 for each student enrolled in a secondary vocational area center during the 2003-2004 school year.
- **ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER STUDENT FUNDING:** Appropriation totaling \$3,128,210 is authorized for English language learner funding. Funding to school districts is \$195 for each identified English language learner.
- **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING:** Appropriation totaling \$22,251,515 is authorized for Professional Development Funding. Professional development funding for the 2004-2005 school year shall be equal to \$50.00 times the school district's previous school year ADM. Funding for professional development for teachers in Arkansas public schools may be used for professional development training conferences, materials, and other professional development activities as outlined in rules promulgated by the State Board of Education.
- **GENERAL FACILITIES FUNDING:** Appropriation totaling \$8,115,181 is authorized for General Facilities Funding. Funding is allocated to school districts pursuant to law or rules promulgated by the State Board of Education. A school district can only use general facilities funding for the purchase of school buses, furniture, equipment, and computer software; the renovation or repairs of existing facilities; or the repayment of commercial bonds or revolving loans.
- **DEBT SERVICE FUNDING SUPPLEMENT:** Appropriation totaling \$27,535,288 is authorized for Debt Service Funding Supplement. Funding is allocated to school districts pursuant to law or rules promulgated by the State Board of Education. Monies are provided to qualifying school districts for the purpose of reducing existing debt service burdens.
- **STUDENT GROWTH FUNDING:** Appropriation totaling \$41,291,748 is authorized for Student Growth Funding. Funding is provided to qualifying school districts by multiplying \$5,400 by the increase in the school district's two-quarter average ADM of the current school year over the local school district's average daily membership for the previous school year, excluding any increase resulting solely from consolidation or annexation with another school district.

- ISOLATED FUNDING: Appropriation totaling \$9,076,387 is authorized for Isolated Funding. Funding provisions for isolated districts are authorized by Arkansas Code 6-20-601 et seq., and Act 65 of the 2nd Extraordinary Session of 2003.
- SPECIAL EDUCATION CATASTROPHIC OCCURRENCES: Appropriation totaling \$8,800,000 is authorized for Special Education Catastrophic Occurrences. Funding, pursuant to rules promulgated by the State Board of Education, is provided for individual cases where special education and related services required by the individualized education program of a particular student with disabilities are unduly expensive, extraordinary, or beyond the routine and normal costs associated with special education and related services provided by a school district.
- COURT ORDERED DESEGREGATION: Appropriation totaling \$56.8 million for Court Ordered Desegregation is authorized and is funded by monies transferred from net general revenue to the Department of Education Public School Fund Account.
- Adds Special Language to provide a bonus to teachers in special settings. Four special language sections authorize teachers in various special settings to receive a one-time bonus of \$2,500. The bonus is authorized for full time certified teachers that are not employed by school districts and would not otherwise be eligible to receive additional compensation from other enactments of the General Assembly regarding public school teacher salaries.
- Adds Special Language defining a Certified Teacher as an individual who is required to hold a teaching license from the Department of Education and who is engaged directly in instruction with students in a classroom setting for more than seventy percent (70%) of the individual's contracted time. The definition of a Certified Teacher includes Guidance Counselors and Librarians.
- Adds special language that the \$2,500 bonus payments to teachers in special settings are not considered salary for the calculation of retirement benefits but does not preclude any provider of services from including the bonus for retirement purposes.
- Adds special language restricting charter school funding from state monies to only those charter schools which provide education services in a traditional public school setting. Further, if internet or long-distance learning technology is used by a charter school it has to be a supplement to the school's traditional classroom setting.
- Adds special language to authorize the School for the Blind and the School for the Deaf to provide the \$2,500 bonus to each certified educational support staff if sufficient appropriation and funds are available in the budgets of the schools as approved by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Act 98 (SB91) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Authorizes supplemental and additional appropriation, funding and regular salary positions to Act 1608 of 2003, the Department of Education administrative budget, and to Act 51 of the 1st Extraordinary Session of 2003, the Department of Education grants and aids to local school district budget to implement various educational program changes enacted by the General Assembly during the 2nd Extraordinary Session.

- Department of Education Operations: Thirty (30) regular salary positions are authorized to assist the department in staffing areas such as teacher recruitment, assessment, financial reporting, science and curriculum staffing, standards assurance, and the Arkansas Public School Computer Network. Authorizes additional appropriation and funding for the Department's state operating budget totaling \$5,526,870.
- Arkansas Public School Computer Network (APSCN). Authorizes additional appropriation and funding from the public school fund budget for APSCN totaling \$3,532,000. The additional funding is provided to support APSCN for financial trainers, data processing revenue shortage, system utilization growth, and Data Access Implementation integrated reporting software.
- Public School Fund Grants & Aids to Local School Districts and Special Programs: Additional appropriation and funding totaling \$19,452,000 is authorized for four (4) new line item programs and the enhancement of the existing Assessment/End of Level Testing program line item for the 2004-05 fiscal year. The five program areas authorized are (1) Academic Improvement Training: \$500,000 (2) Assessment/End of Level Testing: \$16,371,000 (3) Content Standards Revision: \$161,000 (4) Intensive School Support: \$320,000 (5) High Priority District Teacher Recruitment/Retention Incentives: \$2,100,000.
- Federal Appropriation: Federal appropriation totaling \$78,000,000 each fiscal year is authorized for anticipated growth in federal funds. Of the total, \$75 million each year is for Entitlement Grant Programs with the remaining \$3 million each year in Professional Fees for anticipated increased costs associated with testing services.
- Pulaski County Desegregation: Amends the provision of law pertaining to the transfer of funds from state general revenue to the Department of Education Public School Fund Account for the payment of Pulaski County School Desegregation Settlement Agreement expenses. The amended provision changes the basis for the transfer from a maximum amount of \$32,800,000 to the total amount of funds disbursed or approved for disbursement by the Department of Education for such expenses, as certified to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Act 85 (SB 84) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Authorizes the transfer of federal funds received by the State from the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003, Public Law 108-27, to various fund accounts to provide moneys for a \$2,500 one-time bonus to non-school district teachers in special settings, and funding for the assessment of educational facilities statewide.
- Teachers in Special Settings: Department of Human Services - Developmental Disabilities Services: \$407,500; Department of Human Services - Youth Services: \$222,500; Department of Education - Educational Services Cooperatives: \$910,000.
- Joint Committee on Educational Facilities: \$10,000,000 is set aside of which \$3,800,000 is transferred immediately and may be expended for initial assessment costs. Any expenditures over \$3.8 million must receive prior approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

Act 86 (SB 51) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Arkansas Leadership Academy - Master School Principal Program. Authorizes appropriation of \$500,000 each fiscal year from the Department of Education Public School Fund Account for the Master School Principal Program.
- Adds special language that the moneys used for financing the Master School Principal Program appropriation shall come exclusively from additional monies enacted by the 84th General Assembly meeting in 2nd Extraordinary Session.

Act 73 (HB 1142) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Administrative Consolidation Assistance. Authorizes \$37,097,560 in appropriation for the 2003-04 fiscal year from the Department of Education Public School Fund Account for Administrative Consolidation Assistance to school districts as authorized by Acts 60 and 80 of the Second Extraordinary Session of 2003 .
- Adds special language authorizing any unexpended balance of appropriation provided for Administrative Consolidation Assistance during the 2003-04 fiscal year to be carried forward and made available for the same purposes during the 2004-05 fiscal year.
- Adds special language providing that any remaining balance of monies transferred to the Department of Education Public School Fund Account that are no longer needed for Administrative Consolidation Assistance as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall be transferred to the Federal Fiscal Relief Fund.

Act 79 (HB 1148) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Repeals Act 27 of the Second Extraordinary Session of 2003, and authorizes appropriation of \$8,500,000 each fiscal year of the 2003-05 biennium for the Poverty Index program.
- Act 27 of the Second Extraordinary Session of 2003, amended Act 51 of the 1st Extraordinary Session of 2003, by deleting the \$8,500,000 each fiscal year appropriation authorized for Poverty Index and substituting a new National School Lunch Act Students line item appropriation totaling \$21,500,000 for the 2003-04 fiscal year and \$8,500,000 for the 2004-05 fiscal year. In addition, Act 27 authorized the transfer of \$5,000,000 of federal funds received by the State from the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003, Public Law 108-27, to the Department of Education Public School Fund Account.

Act 92 (HB1061) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Arkansas Teacher Housing Development Foundation. Authorizes appropriation totaling \$200,000 during the 2003-04 fiscal year and \$100,000 during the 2004-05 fiscal year from the Department of Education Public School Fund Account for an operating grant to the Arkansas Teacher Housing Development Foundation.

Act 95 (HB 1098) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Supplemental Millage Incentive Funding. Authorizes appropriation totaling \$10,000,000 during the 2004-05 fiscal year for Supplemental Millage Incentive Funding to school districts.

- Adds special language provision for the distribution of Supplemental Millage Incentive Funding stating that if the total amount of funds appropriated by the 84<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, meeting in Second Extraordinary Session, for a fiscal year for debt service funding supplement, general facilities funding, and supplemental millage incentive funding is less than the total amount of funds needed for distribution to school districts under the provisions of Arkansas Code 6-20-2004 - 2006, then the distribution to each school district shall be reduced. The amount of funds calculated for distribution under Arkansas Code 6-20-2004 - 2006 is multiplied by the percentage equal to the total amount of funds appropriated by the 84<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, meeting in Second Extraordinary Session, for a fiscal year for debt service funding supplement, general facilities funding and supplemental millage incentive funding divided by the total amount of funds calculated for distribution under Arkansas Code 6-20-2004 - 2006 during a fiscal year.

Act 96 (HB1052) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Two way Interactive Television Grants. Authorizes appropriation totaling \$11,226,700 during the 2003-04 fiscal year and \$5,831,400 during the 2004-05 fiscal year from the Department of Education Public School Fund Account. Of the total, \$8,311,000 the first fiscal year is for Capital Equipment Distance Learning Grants and \$2,915,700 is authorized for Distance Learning Operating Grants. During the 2004-05 fiscal year the total appropriation is authorized for Distance Learning Operating Grants.
- Adds special language authorizing a carry forward of any unexpended balances of appropriation and funds on June 30, 2004, for the same purposes the next fiscal year.
- Adds special language that the appropriations for Distance Learning Capital Equipment Grants and Distance Learning Operating Grants are to be funded exclusively from monies authorized for public school technology purposes by the 84<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, meeting in Second Extraordinary Session, as allocated by the Department of Education.
- Adds special language authorizing a transfer of \$10,000,000 from the Federal Fiscal Relief Fund to the Department of Education Public School Fund Account for partial funding for Distance Learning Capital Equipment Grants and Distance Learning Operating Grants.

Act 97 (HB1138) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides five (5) positions and authorizes appropriation totaling \$1,997,230 for the 2004-05 fiscal year from the Department of Education Public School Fund Account for the operations of the new Division of Education Renewal Zones due to the enactment of Act 106 of 2003, Second Extraordinary Session. Of the total appropriation, \$234,000 is authorized for Renewal Zone Grants.

Act 99 (SB 55) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Arkansas Better Chance for School Success Program Expansion. Authorizes \$40,000,000 during the 2004-05 fiscal year from the Department of Education Public School Fund Account for expansion of the Better Chance Program.

- Adds special language that any unexpended balance of monies allocated for the Arkansas Better Chance for School Success Program remaining on June 30, 2005, in the Department of Education Public School Fund Account shall be designated and retained for the Arkansas Better Chance for School Success Program.

Act 108 (SB 93) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Creates the Educational Adequacy Fund to consist of all net revenues collected due to enactments of the 84<sup>th</sup> General Assembly meeting in Second Extraordinary Session, unless a different distribution of those additional net revenues is otherwise provided in the Act creating those additional revenues.
- The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State determines the amount of funds required, from the Educational Adequacy Fund when added to other resources available to the Department of Education Public School Fund Account and the Department of Education Fund Account, is needed to fulfill the financial obligation of the state to provide an adequate educational system as enacted by the Second Extraordinary Session of the 84<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.
- If the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State determines that the transfers from the Education Adequacy Fund, when added to the other resources available to the Department of Education Public School Fund Account are not sufficient to meet the state's financial obligation to provide an adequate educational system as enacted by the Second Extraordinary Session of the 84<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, the additional amount required shall be transferred from the other funds and fund accounts within Arkansas Code 19-5-402(a) and 19-5-404(a) based upon the proportion that each of the remaining fund and fund accounts bears to the total of the remaining funds and fund accounts in Arkansas Code 19-5-402(a) and 19-5-404(a).
- Transfers \$89,949 from the Educational Adequacy Fund to the Department of Higher Fund Account to finance the Higher Education Recruitment Coordinator.
- Transfers \$22,000,000, or so much as is available, from the General Revenue Allotment Revenue Fund to the Educational Adequacy Fund on June 30, 2005.
- Adds special language that any enactment creating an "Educational Adequacy Trust Fund" is instead deemed to be creating an "Educational Adequacy Fund".

**FEDERAL FISCAL RELIEF FUND**

Act 72 (HB 1130) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Creates the Federal Fiscal Relief Fund. The fund consists of monies remaining in the State Treasury received from the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003, Public Law 108-27, which had not been transferred to other funds prior to the effective date of this act.
- Any balances of monies received by the State from the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003, Public Law 108-27, that were transferred to other funds due to enactments of the Eighty-Fourth General Assembly meeting in Second Extraordinary Session that are no longer needed to fulfill the purpose for which the funds were transferred will be transferred to the Federal Fiscal Relief Fund.

- An amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 in the Federal Fiscal Relief Fund may be used to supplement general revenues if needed to meet the current forecast of general revenues which is in effect at the time of the passage of Act 72 after review by the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee.

### **GOVERNOR, OFFICE OF THE**

Act 3 (SB4) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides forty-three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$43,750) for personal services and operating expenses for the Office of the Governor for 2003 Second Extraordinary Session expenses.

Act 19 (SB38) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides eighteen thousand three hundred dollars (\$18,300) for personal services and operating expenses for the Office of the Governor for 2003 Second Extraordinary Session expenses.

Act 56 (SB63) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides thirty-one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$31,150) for personal services and operating expenses for the Office of the Governor for 2003 Second Extraordinary Session expenses.

### **HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF**

Act 10 (HB1025)

- Provides \$300,000 in appropriation for the Marine Sanitation Program.

### **HIGHER EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

Act 6 (SB32) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides a supplemental appropriation of \$44,450 in FY04 and FY05 for extra help and related personal service matching.

Act 66 (HB1078) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides an additional position for a Higher Education Coordinator of Recruitment for the State Teacher Assistance Resource Program. It also provides related salary and personal service matching appropriation of \$87,774 in FY04 and \$89,949 in FY05 for the position. Funding of \$89,949 is provided for in Act 108.

Act 88 (HB1135) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides appropriation and funding of \$94,866 for matching funds for a National Science Foundation Grant. The funding is provided by a transfer from the Federal Fiscal Relief Fund.



**HIGHER EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF AND TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

Act 7 (SB3) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides a growth pool of positions for the two-year institutions of higher education. The pool will include 100 non-classified positions at a salary level not to exceed \$60,000 per year and 100 classified positions at up to a grade 26.

**HIGHER EDUCATION, INSTITUTIONS OF UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS**

Act 55 (SB18) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Appropriates \$300,000 each year for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences and the Arts. The school was officially merged with the University of Arkansas on January 1, 2004.

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Act 1 (HB1001) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for personal services and operating expenses for the House of Representatives for 2003 Second Extraordinary Session expenses.

Act 38 (HB1089) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for personal services and operating expenses for the House of Representatives for 2003 Second Extraordinary Session expenses.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY - GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS, OFFICE OF**

Act 4 (SB 13) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Appropriates \$250,000 for the 2003-05 biennium to carry out the duties, responsibilities and authority of the Arkansas State Land Information Board as described by Arkansas Code 15-21-504; to create, operate and maintain Geostor, the Arkansas Spatial Data Infrastructure, and to create, update, maintain and disseminate framework spatial data as defined in Arkansas Code 15-21-502.

**LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH DISBURSING OFFICER, BUREAU OF**

Act 84 (SB7) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Appropriates ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) from federal funds received from the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003 for operating expenses for the Joint Committee on Education Facilities.
- Special language requires that any contract paid from funds appropriated by the Act be approved by the Office of Attorney General.

## **SECRETARY OF STATE**

Act 11 (HB1022) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Allows general improvement funds appropriated by Act 293 of 2003 for construction projects to be used for various infrastructure projects to the State Capitol Building and the State Capitol grounds by the Secretary of State.

Act 93 (SB85) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides two hundred and six thousand dollars (\$206,000), payable from federal funds received from the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003, for personal services and operating expenses to implement the Corporate Franchise Tax increase as enacted by Act 94 (SB80) of the 2003 Second Extraordinary Session.

## **SENATE**

Act 2 (SB1) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) for personal services and operating expenses for the Arkansas Senate for 2003 Second Extraordinary Session expenses.

Act 36 (SB58) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) for personal services and operating expenses for the Arkansas Senate for 2003 Second Extraordinary Session expenses.

## **VETERANS' AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF**

Act 15 (SB15)

- Provides \$157,000 in cash fund appropriation each year for payment of fees for the Veterans' Home, with a transfer of funds of \$314,000 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, as reimbursed from the Federal Fiscal Relief Fund.

## **WORKFORCE EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

Act 13 (HB 1024) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Provides supplemental appropriation and regular salary positions in addition to those authorized in Act 1309 of 2003, the department operating appropriation act for the 2003-05 biennium. Authorizes six (6) Public School Program Advisor positions and appropriation totaling \$123,683 during the 2003-04 fiscal year and \$378,157 during the 2004-05 fiscal year for the Monitoring and Compliance Section of the department.

Act 30 (SB44) - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003

- Technical Careers Student Loan Forgiveness Program. Transfers the sum of \$1,320,000 from funds received from the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003, Public Law 108-27, to the 84<sup>th</sup> Session Projects Fund Account of the General Improvement Fund to fund the appropriations authorized for the Arkansas Technical Careers Student Loan Forgiveness Program by Section 41 of Act 1309 of 2003, Regular Session.