Act 679 of the 1987 Regular Session

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"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE ARKANSAS STATE PENSION REVIEW BOARD FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1989; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Arkansas State Pension Review Board for the 1987-89 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act, or its successor.

		Maxımum Annual		
	Maximum	Salary Rate		
Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Years		
NoCodeTitle	_Employees	_1987-881988-89		
(1) 7460 PENSION REVIEW BD EXEC DIRECTOR	1	\$40,500 \$40,500		
(2) 7461 PENSION REVIEW BD EXEC ASSISTANT	1	\$20,000 \$20,000		
MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2			

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Pension Review Board, to be payable from the State General Services Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas State Pension Review Board for the biennial period ending June 30, 1989, the following:

ITEM				FISCAL YEARS		
NO				1987-88	1988-89	
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES		\$	60,500 \$	60,500	
(02)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING			11,685	11,685	
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION					
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES \$	24,000 \$	24,000			
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	1,000	1,000			
	(C) PROF. FEES	35,000	35,000			
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	0	0			
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	0	0			
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.			60,000	60,000	
(04)	RENT			6,000	6,000_	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		\$	138,185 \$	138,185	

SECTION 3. BILL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS. During legislative sessions, the Pension Review Board shall review each retirement bill referred to it by the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs, and shall submit to the Committee a written report of the evaluations and recommendations, if any, at the earliest possible date, in order that the Committee may have the benefit of the Board's comments and recommendations before the bill is scheduled for affirmative action by the Committee. Proposed bills or retirement matters submitted to the Pension Review Board by the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs during the interim between legislative sessions shall be the subject of timely review by the Board, and a written report of the Board's evaluations and recommendations shall be filed with the Committee in advance of any Committee meeting at which any such bill or retirement matter is scheduled for Committee consideration.

SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption. It is further intended that any expenditure of funds in excess of \$20,000 annually for professional fees shall only be incurred for services related to a study of consolidating the State retirement systems.

SECTION 6. CONTRACT RESTRICTIONS. The agency, board, commission, department or institution to whom funds are appropriated by this Act shall not enter into any contract for any professional or consultant services which shall extend for more than twenty (20) actual working days or the total compensation exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000) during any one fiscal year without first seeking the advice of the Arkansas Legislative Council. Provided further, that all contracts for professional or consultant services shall be submitted monthly to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State for reporting to the Legislative Council.

SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Sixth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1987 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1987 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1987.

APPROVED: April 7, 1987