

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION COMMISSION WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY ACT 98 OF 1985 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1987; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - ADMINISTRATION. There is hereby established for the Worker's Compensation Commission for the 1985-87 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees which shall be supplemental and in addition to those positions authorized in Section 4 of Act 98 of 1985, 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, or its successor. All persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act, or its successor.

| Item No. | Class Code | Title                    | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 1986-87 |
|----------|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| (1)      | R405       | WCC LEGAL ADVISOR        | 7                        | GRADE 24                                       |
| (2)      | K117       | MEDICAL/LEGAL SECRETARY  | 4                        | GRADE 12                                       |
| (3)      | K153       | SECRETARY II             | 2                        | GRADE 11                                       |
| (4)      | K007       | CLAIMS FILE EXAMINER     | 2                        | GRADE 08                                       |
| (5)      | C011       | SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR II  | 1                        | GRADE 07                                       |
|          |            | MAXIMUM NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 16                       |  |

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - ADMINISTRATION. There is hereby appropriated to the Worker's Compensation Commission, to be payable from the Worker's Compensation Fund for personal services and operating expenses of the Worker's Compensation Commission - Administration which shall be supplemental and in addition to those funds appropriated in Section 5 of Act 98 of 1985, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987, the following:

| ITEM NO. |                            | FISCAL YEAR 1986-87 |
|----------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| (01)     | REGULAR SALARIES           | \$ 144,807          |
| (02)     | PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 35,406              |
| (03)     | MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                     |
|          | (A) OPER. EXPENSES         | \$ 128,860          |
|          | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL         | 0                   |
|          | (C) PROF. FEES             | 0                   |
|          | (D) CAPITAL OUTLAY         | 29,700              |
|          | (E) DATA PROCESSING        | 0                   |
|          | TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.  | 158,560             |
| (04)     | TELEPHONE SYSTEM           | 100,000             |
|          | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED  | \$ 438,773          |

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SECTION 3. No monies appropriated by this Act, or the Act which originated as House Bill 1190 of 1987, or any other Act shall be expended to fund preliminary conferences held pursuant to Act 10 of the Second Extraordinary Session of 1986 other than in the county where the accident occurred, if the same occurred in this State, the county of the claimant's residence, or such other county as agreed to by the parties.

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.

SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Sixth General Assembly that monies provided by the Seventy-Fifth General Assembly for the operations of the agency to which monies are provided by this Act are, due to unforeseen conditions, insufficient for said agency to continue to provide essential governmental services, that the provisions of this Act will provide the necessary monies for such agency to continue such services, and that delay in the effective date of this Act could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental services. 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 its passage and approval.

APPROVED: April 13, 1987

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