Act 915

SB352

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION 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 - UTILITIES DIVISION. There is hereby established for the Public Service Commission - Utilities Division 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.

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Item Class	No. of	Salar Fiscal	Years
NoCodeTitle	Employees_	1987-88	1988-89
(1) 9993 PSC Chairman	1 2 1	\$53,770	\$55,385
(2) 9994 PSC Commissioner	2	\$51,820	\$53,375
(3) 9907 PSC Director	1	\$51,082	\$53,092
 (3) 9907 PSC Diffector (4) 9745 PSC Chief Counsel (5) 9746 PSC Chief Admn. Law Judge 	1	\$48,952	\$51,644
(5) 9746 PSC Chief Admn. Law Judge	1	\$48,952	\$51,644
(6) 9748 PSC Dir. Res. & Mat. Svcs.	1	\$47 <i>.</i> 816	\$50,445
(7) 8040 PSC Chief of Audits(8) 9741 PSC Admin. Law Judge	1	\$47,816	\$50,445
(8) 9741 PSC Admin. Law Judge	3	\$42,500	\$44,838
(9) 009Z PSC Chief of Compliance	1	Grade	25
984Z PSC Chief of Fin. & Research	1		
(10) A198 PSC Sr. Rate Case Analyst	2	Grade	24
R292 PSC Hearing Officer (11) A200 PSC RATES FINANCE SUPV	10		
		GRAD	DE 23
R478 PSC MANAGER, POWER & WATER SERVICES			
R480 PSC MANAGER, TELECOMM SECTION			
055z data processing manager	1		
(12) A072 PUBLIC UTILITY AUDITOR SUPERVISOR X456 PSC RATE CASE ENGINEER	7	GRADE	22
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(13) A116 RATE ANALYST III	10	GRADE	
(14) A038 FINANCIAL ANALYST	2	GRADE	20
A076 PUBLIC UTILITY AUDITOR II	14		
DU30 SR PROGRAMMER/ANALISI	2		
826Z AGENCY DIR RESEARCH & STATISTICS (15) X438 PSC UTILITY SERVICES SUPERVISOR	1		
	1	GRADE	
(16) A006 ACCOUNTING SUPV I	1	GRADE	18
R150 RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	4		
(17) A004 ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE	11/
K188 PSC MANAGER, COMM DOCKETS	1		
X458 ENGINEER TECH SUPERVISOR	2	~~~~~	
(18) R010 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II		GRADE	: 16
X333 ENGINEER TECHNICIAN	3	00	1 -
(19) K186 WORD PROCESSING SUPV	1	GRADE	: 15

	X307	COMPLAINTS INVESTIGATOR	2	
(20)	R009	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I	2	GRADE 14
	R015	AGENCY DATA SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	1	
(21)	K041	EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	1	GRADE 13
(22)	K039	DOCUMENT EXAMINER II	3	GRADE 12
	K117	MEDICAL OR LEGAL SECRETARY	5	
	K179	SECRETARY/WORD PROCESS SPECIALIST	3	
(23)	K011	CLERICAL SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 11
(24)	K103	REPRO EQUIP OPR II/REPRO EQUIP OPR	1	GRADE 09
		MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	107	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - UTILITIES DIVISION. There is hereby authorized, for the Public Service Commission - Utilities Division for the 1987-89 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: Six (6) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - UTILITIES DIVISION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Public Service Commission - Utilities Division, to be payable from the Public Service Commission Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Public Service Commission - Utilities Division for the biennial period ending June 30, 1989, the following:

ITEM				FISCAL	YEARS
NO				1987-88	1988-89
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES		\$	3,160,512 \$	3,160,512
(02)	EXTRA HELP			10,000	10,000
(03)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING			655,073	655,073
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION				
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES \$	759,326 \$	759,326		
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	67,826	67,826		
	(C) PROF. FEES	63,302	63,302		
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	30,490	18,000		
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	23,521	23,521_		
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.			944,465	931,975
(05)	FERC LEGAL FEES			421,251	421,251
(06)	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			420,994	420,994
(07)	DATA PROCESSING - PSC DIV			281,956	0
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		\$	5,894,251 \$	5,599,805

SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - PIPELINE SAFETY PROGRAM. There is hereby established for the Public Service Commission - Pipeline Safety Program 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.

		Maximum Annual
	Maximum	Salary Rate
Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Years
NoCodeTitle	Employees_	1987-881988-89
(1) 9747 PSC DIRECTOR OF QUALITY SERVICES	1	\$46,400 \$46,400

(2)	R482 PSC MANAGER, GAS & PIPELI	NE SECTION 1	GRADE 22
	X456 PSC RATE CASE ENGINEER	2	
(3)	X458 ENGINEER TECH SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 17
(4)	R010 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	II 1	GRADE 16
(5)	K117 MEDICAL OR LEGAL SECRETAR	Y1	GRADE 12
	MAX NO. OF EMPL	OYEES 7	

(01)	REGULAR SALARIES		\$	199,272 \$	199,272
(02)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING			41,515	41,515
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION				
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES \$	32,187 \$	32,187		
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,620	15,620		
	(C) PROF. FEES	5,617	5,617		
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,235	750		
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	0	0_		
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.			54,659	54,174
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		\$	295,446 \$	294,961

SECTION 6. REGULAR SALARIES - TAX DIVISION. There is hereby established for the Public Service Commission - Tax Division 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.

		Maximum Annual
	Maximum	Salary Rate
Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Years
NoCodeTitle	Employees_1	987-881988-89
(1) 067Z PSC TAX DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 24
(2) A150 TAX DIV ASST DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 20
(3) A004 ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE 17
(4) R010 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	1	GRADE 16
(5) A002 ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE 15
(6) R009 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I	1	GRADE 14
(7) K153 SECRETARY II	1	GRADE 11
(8) K155 SECRETARY I	2	GRADE 09
MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	9	

(02) (03)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION			35,097	35,097
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES \$	37,265 \$	37,265		
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	2,964	2,964		
	(C) PROF. FEES	0	0		
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,300	1,000		
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	0	0_		
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.			41,529	41,229
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		\$	232,872 \$	232,572

SECTION 8. REGULAR SALARIES - ASSESSMENT COORDINATION DIVISION. There is hereby established for the Public Service Commission - Assessment Coordination Division 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.

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	Maximum	Salary Rate
Class	No. of	Fiscal Years
CodeTitle	Employees_1	L987-881988-89
057Z PSC ACD DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 24
058Z PSC ACD REALTY APPRAIS MANAGER	1	GRADE 21
059Z PSC ACD RES & ADM MANAGER	1	GRADE 20
D040 SYSTEMS ANALYST I	1	GRADE 19
X390 REALTY APPRAISER SUPV	б	GRADE 18
E072 TRAINING INSTRUCTOR II	2	GRADE 17
R010 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	1	GRADE 16
R162 STATISTICIAN/STATISTICIAN II	3	
X389 REALTY APPRAISER III	12	GRADE 15
R009 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I	1	GRADE 14
X387 REALTY APPRAISER II	5	GRADE 13
K115 STATISTICIAN ASST II/STATISTICIAN	I 2	GRADE 12
K153 SECRETARY II	1	GRADE 11
K023 CLERK TYPIST II	3	GRADE 07
MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	40	
	057Z PSC ACD DIRECTOR 058Z PSC ACD REALTY APPRAIS MANAGER 059Z PSC ACD RES & ADM MANAGER D040 SYSTEMS ANALYST I X390 REALTY APPRAISER SUPV E072 TRAINING INSTRUCTOR II R010 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II R162 STATISTICIAN/STATISTICIAN II X389 REALTY APPRAISER III R009 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I X387 REALTY APPRAISER II K115 STATISTICIAN ASST II/STATISTICIAN K153 SECRETARY II K023 CLERK TYPIST II	ClassNo. ofCodeTitleEmployees057ZPSC ACD DIRECTOR1058ZPSC ACD REALTY APPRAIS MANAGER1059ZPSC ACD RES & ADM MANAGER1D040SYSTEMS ANALYST I1X390REALTY APPRAISER SUPV6E072TRAINING INSTRUCTOR II2R010ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II1R162STATISTICIAN/STATISTICIAN II3X389REALTY APPRAISER III12R009ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I1X387REALTY APPRAISER II5K115STATISTICIAN ASST II/STATISTICIAN I2K153SECRETARY II1K023CLERK TYPIST II3

SECTION 9. EXTRA HELP - ASSESSMENT COORDINATION DIVISION. There is hereby authorized, for the Public Service Commission - Assessment Coordination Division for the 1987-89 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: Three (3) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATIONS - ASSESSMENT COORDINATION DIVISION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Public Service Commission - Assessment Coordination Division, to be payable from the State General Services Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Public Service Commission - Assessment Coordination Division for the biennial period ending June 30, 1989, the following: ITEM FISCAL YEARS

NO				1987-88	1988-89	
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES		\$	686,972 \$	686,972	
(02)	EXTRA HELP		1,000	1,000		
(03)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING				
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION				
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES \$	263,000 \$	273,000			
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	34,470	34,470			
	(C) PROF. FEES	0	0			
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	5,000	5,000			
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	0	0			
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.			302,470	312,470	
(05)	ASSESSOR'S SCHOOL			47,000	47,000	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		\$	1,190,735 \$	1,200,735	

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATIONS - ASSESSMENT COORDINATION DIVISION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated to the Public Service Commission, to be payable from cash funds of the Public Service Commission - Assessment Coordination Division, for operating expenses of the Public Service Commission - Assessment Coordination Division - Cash for the biennial period ending June 30, 1989, the following:

ITEM				FISCAL Y	EARS
NO				1987-88	_1988-89
(01)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION				
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES \$	21,174 \$	21,174		
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	11,236	11,236		
	(C) PROF. FEES	0	0		
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	0	0		
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	0	0_		
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.			32,410	32,410
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		\$	32,410 \$	32,410

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATIONS - CONTINGENCY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Public Service Commission, to be payable from the Public Service Commission Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Public Service Commission for the biennial period ending June 30, 1989, the following:

ITEM		FISCAL	YEARS
NO		1987-88	1988-89
(01)	CONTINGENCY	\$ 1,500,000 \$	1,500,000

SECTION 13. CONTINGENCY RESTRICTION. In the event of unforeseen conditions, additional appropriations become necessary that are not authorized or contemplated in Section 3 of this Act and such events make it necessary that the Public Service Commission - Utilities Division receives additional appropriations to carry out the objectives of the agency, the Director of the Public Service Commission is hereby authorized to request the approval of the Governor and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, as hereinafter provided, for transfer of the additional appropriations provided in Section 12 to the appropriations provided the Utilities Division by Section 3, but in no event shall the transfers exceed the appropriations provided in Section 12 of this Act. Whenever the Director of the Public Service Commission deems it necessary to establish additional appropriations as authorized herein, he shall file with the Governor a written report accompanied by necessary supporting documents setting forth the facts, justifications, and circumstances that necessitate such appropriation. Upon receipt of such reports and supporting documents, the Governor, or his designee, shall study the same, and if he shall determine that such additional appropriations are being sought in strict compliance with this Act, the Governor, after seeking the advice of the Arkansas Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee, may approve or modify such request for additional appropriations as in his judgement he deems necessary, and shall forward a copy thereof to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State. Upon receipt thereof, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall direct the State Auditor to process said transfer upon his books in accordance with the provisions as set out therein.

SECTION 14. SPECIAL RATES OF PAY. Due to the highly competitive job market conditions for utility rate case professionals and the necessity of recruiting and retaining qualified personnel, the Public Service Commission is authorized special rates of pay for current and new employees in the classification listed under subsection (a) below.

(a) Special rates may be authorized up to the maximum authorized for the grade assigned the classification of a position for the following specific classifications only:

Class		
	Title	Grade
009z	PSC CHIEF OF COMPLIANCE	25
984Z	PSC CHIEF OF FIN & RESEARCH	25
R292	PSC HEARING OFFICER	24
A198	PSC SENIOR RATE CASE ANALYST	24
A200	PSC RATES FINANCE SUPV	23
R478	PSC MANAGER, POWER & WATER SVCS	23
R480	PSC MANAGER, TELECOMM SECT	23
055Z	PSC DATA PROCESSING MANAGER	23
R482	PSC MANAGER, GAS & PIPELINE	22
A072	PSC PUBLIC UTILITY AUDITOR SUPV	22
X456	PSC RATE CASE ENGINEER	22
A116	RATE ANALYST III	21
A076	PUBLIC UTILITY AUDITOR II	20
A038	FINANCIAL ANALYST	20
826Z	AGENCY DIR RESEARCH & STAT	20
D036	SR PROGRAMMER ANALYST	20
X438	PSC UTILITY SERVICES SUPV	19
A080	RATE ANALYST II	19
A074	PUBLIC UTILITY AUDITOR I	18
A078	RATE ANALYST I	18
R150	RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	18
A006	ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR I	18
X458	ENGINEER TECHNICIAN SUPV	17
X333	ENGINEER TECHNICIAN	16
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(b) A monthly report shall be made to the Arkansas Legislative Council describing all personnel transactions involving applications of any of the provisions of this Section.

(c) This provision shall be in full force and effect for the biennium beginning July 1, 1987, and ending June 30, 1989.

SECTION 15. CARRY FORWARD. Any unexpended balance of the appropriation authorized in Item (07) of Section 3 of this Act which remains at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1988, shall be carried forward and made available for the same purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1989.

SECTION 16. 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 17. 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 18. 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 19. 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.