

Act 328 of the 1989 Regular Session.

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HB1559

By: Joint Budget Committee

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1991; 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 Department of Education - School for the Blind for the 1989-91 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.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Years	
				1989-90	1990-91
(1)	9948	ED SUPT BLIND SCHOOL	1	\$41,740	\$42,784
(2)	297Z	GENERAL BUSINESS MANAGER	1		GRADE 23
(3)	222Z	ED ASST SUPT-SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND	1		GRADE 22
	257Z	ED SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	3		
	909Z	PROGRAM SUPPORT MANAGER	1		
(4)	265Z	ED STUDENT LIFE SERVICES COORD	1		GRADE 21
(5)	L030	DIETARY SERVICES DIRECTOR	1		GRADE 20
	L122	PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINER II	1		
(6)	E063	TEACHER FOR SENSORY IMPAIRED III	54		GRADE 19
	M088	SOCIAL WORKER III/SOCIAL WORKER II	1		
(7)	V040	PURCHASE AGENT II/PURCHASE AGENT	1		GRADE 18
	R256	LIBRARIAN III	1		
	L070	NURSE II	1		
(8)	G028	BUILDING PLANT MAINTENANCE SUPV II	1		GRADE 17
	A004	ACCOUNTANT II	1		
	R254	LIBRARIAN II	1		
(9)	G161	GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPAIRMAN	1		GRADE 16
	R010	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	1		
	R440	BUSINESS CONTROLLER II	1		
	Y039	HEATING & A/C MECHANIC	1		
	Y057	JOURNEYMAN PAINTER	1		
	Y053	JOURNEYMAN CARPENTER	1		
(10)	M048	RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	1		GRADE 14
(11)	K041	EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	1		GRADE 13
	K061	LIBRARY TECHNICAL ASST III	1		
	L049	LPN II	3		
	L179	PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT	1		
	M039	HOUSEPARENT SUPERVISOR	2		

(12)	M047 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER I	1	GRADE 12
(13)	E027 INSTITUTIONAL TEACHER ASSISTANT	5	GRADE 11
	M037 HOUSEPARENT	14	
	K153 SECRETARY II	3	
(14)	K059 LIBRARY TECHNICAL ASST II	1	GRADE 10
	H027 COOK II	2	
	Y001 APPRENTICE TRADESMAN	1	
(15)	K155 SECRETARY I	2	GRADE 09
(16)	H003 BAKER I	1	GRADE 08
	H025 COOK I	3	
(17)	M065 SOCIAL SERVICE AIDE II	1	GRADE 07
	L079 NURSING AIDE/NURSING ASST I	1	
	K023 CLERK TYPIST II	1	
(18)	G091 LAUNDRY SUPERVISOR I	1	GRADE 06
	G177 MAINTENANCE WORKER SUPERVISOR	1	
(19)	H043 FOOD SERVICE WORKER II	2	GRADE 05
	G107 BLDG/EQUIP MAINT REPAIRMAN I	1	
(20)	G075 HOUSEKEEPER	1	GRADE 03
	G175 MAINTENANCE WORKER II	1	
(21)	H039 FOOD SERVICE WORKER I	9	GRADE 02
	G173 MAINTENANCE WORKER I	5	
	MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	143	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Education - School for the Blind for the 1989-91 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: Twelve (12) 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 - STATE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - School for the Blind, to be payable from the School for the Blind Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Education - School for the Blind - State for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	1989-90	1990-91
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 2,038,391	\$ 2,089,354
(02) EXTRA HELP	5,312	5,312
(03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	564,512	597,471
(04) OVERTIME	4,773	4,773
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSES	\$ 498,056	\$ 508,056
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,515	4,515
(C) PROF. FEES	32,993	32,993
(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	25,000	25,000
(E) DATA PROCESSING	1,800	1,800
TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	562,364	572,364
(06) STUDENT VOCATIONAL EDUC	5,000	5,000
(07) DEFERRED MAINTENANCE	20,241	20,241
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ 3,200,593	\$ 3,294,515

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - School for the Blind, to be payable from the School for the Blind Federal Fund, for personal services and operating

expenses of the Department of Education - School for the Blind - Federal for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
NO.		1989-90	1990-91
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 395,152	\$ 406,052
(02)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	103,650	109,420
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES	\$ 75,350	\$ 75,350
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,882	15,882
	(C) PROF. FEES	1,632	1,632
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	42,000	42,000
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	0	0
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	134,864	134,864
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ 633,666	\$ 650,336

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - School for the Blind, to be payable from cash funds of the Department of Education - School for the Blind, for operating expenses of the Department of Education - School for the Blind - Cash for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
NO.		1989-90	1990-91
(01)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
	(A) OPER. EXPENSES	\$ 175,008	\$ 175,008
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	8,000	8,000
	(C) PROF. FEES	3,425	3,425
	(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	50,000	50,000
	(E) DATA PROCESSING	0	0
	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	236,433	236,433
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ 236,433	\$ 236,433

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS - BRAILLE TEXTBOOKS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - School for the Blind, to be payable from the School for the Blind Fund Account, for the purchase of Braille and Large Print Textbooks for visually impaired and blind students attending public schools in Arkansas by the Department of Education - School for the Blind for the biennial period ending June 30, 1991, the following:

ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
NO.		1989-90	1990-91
(01)	PURCHASE BRAILLE TEXTBOOK	\$ 56,223	\$ 56,223

SECTION 7. The State Board of Education shall make reasonable rules and regulations to implement the Braille and Large Print Textbooks appropriation and is hereby authorized to negotiate directly with publishers of Braille and Large Print Textbooks for the purchase of such textbooks.

SECTION 8. SUMMER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES. Employees who, in addition to working during the regular school term, also work during summer months shall be authorized as additional compensation an amount not to exceed 1/12 of their annual salary for each month or part thereof worked. Such additional compensation shall not be construed as exceeding the maximum salary authorized for said employees.

Payment of additional compensation shall be limited to employees in the following classifications:

SUMMER_SCHOOL_POSITIONS	GRADE
Teacher for the Sens Imp I	16
Teacher for the Sens Imp II	18
Teacher for the Sens Imp III	19
Speech Pathologist II	18
Vocational Instructor II	17
Vocational Instructor III	18
Vocational Instructor IV	19

SECTION 9. Upon the superintendent's certification to the State Personnel Administrator of prior service at an educational institution and most recent contractual salary, the salary of certified teachers entering state service as teachers for the sensory impaired may be adjusted to a rate of pay closest to but not less than their most recent annual salary.

SECTION 10. Arkansas Code 6-43-213 (b) and (c) are hereby amended to read as follows:

"(b) Teachers for the Sensory Impaired shall be eligible for an additional step increase after being certified in teaching the vision or hearing impaired by the State Department of Education.

(c) The School for the Blind is hereby authorized to pay employees hired in the position of Teacher for the Sensory Impaired for the yearly school term the maximum annual salary rate established for each position."

SECTION 11. SPECIAL ALLOWANCE. The Arkansas Schools for the Deaf and Blind may make special allowances available to any instructor (Teacher for the Sensory Impaired I, II, III and Teacher Assistant) who performs one of the following duties in addition to their normal teaching duties:

- 1) Teaching adult education classes on weekends or evenings
- 2) Coaching one or more sports

Compensation for additional duties may not exceed \$3,000 per school term for any one instructor during each year of the 1989-91 biennium.

SECTION 12. The Arkansas Schools for the Deaf and Blind are hereby authorized to transport students to and from school in chartered vehicles which are licensed to do business in the State of Arkansas and meet minimum safety standards established by the Federal Department of Transportation.

SECTION 13. 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 14. 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 15. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 16. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Seventh 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, 1989 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, 1989 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, 1989.