

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Senate Efficiency Committee**

A BILL ACT 30 OF 1991
SENATE BILL 57

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND
9 OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE FOR THE
10 BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1993; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES."

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

15 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES-SENATE STAFF. There is hereby established
16 for the Arkansas Senate for the 1991-93 biennium, the following maximum number
17 of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the
18 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et
19 seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however,
20 that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein
21 in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform Classification
22 and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions authorized herein are
23 hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and
24 Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

25			Maximum Annual	
26			Maximum	Salary Rate
27	Item Class		No. of	Fiscal Years
28	No. Code Title		Employees	1991-92 1992-93
29	(1)	SENATE CHIEF OF STAFF	1	\$56,270 \$58,873
30	(2)	SENATE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF	1	46,284 48,598
31	(3)	SENATE INFORMATION DIRECTOR	1	39,010 40,960
32	(4)	SECRETARY OF THE SENATE	1	34,713 36,449
33	(5)	SENATE FISCAL OFFICER	1	32,080
34	(6)	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	1	26,613 27,944
35	(7)	SENATE ASS'T FISCAL OFFICER	1	24,644 25,877
36	(8)	SENATE PROPERTIES OFFICER	<u>1</u>	23,721 24,907

1 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES 8

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3 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - STAFF. There is hereby appropriated, to the
4 Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for
5 personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Senate and the staff
6 of the Arkansas Senate, for the biennial period ending June 30, 1993, the
7 following:

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9 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
10 NO.	1991-92	1992-93
11 (1) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 283,545	\$ 297,722
12 (2) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	62,400	65,500
13 (3) MAINTENANCE AND GENERAL OPERATIONS	<u>127,327</u>	<u>53,479</u>
14 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 473,272</u>	<u>\$ 416,701</u>

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16 SECTION 3. Any balances remaining on June 30, 1991 in the appropriations
17 enacted in any act to defray the expenses of the Arkansas Senate of the
18 Seventy-Eighth General Assembly may be carried forward into the fiscal year
19 ending June 30, 1992, there to be made available for the same purposes. Any
20 balance remaining on June 30, 1992 in the appropriation carried forward and in
21 the appropriation provided by Section 2 herein for Maintenance and General
22 Operations may be carried forward into the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993,
23 there to be used for the same purposes.

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25 SECTION 4. If the Senate Efficiency Committee and the Senate Fiscal
26 Officer, subject to the approval of the Arkansas Senate, should determine that
27 any item or portion thereof appropriated herein for a specific purpose is not
28 needed for such purpose, the Senate Fiscal Officer may certify such fact to
29 the State Auditor and the State Auditor shall cause transfer to be made from
30 one item to another.

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32 SECTION 6. The General Assembly hereby determines that the conducting of
33 an Institute of Legislative Procedure, prior to the convening of Regular
34 Sessions of the General Assembly, for the orientation of existing and
35 newly-elected members of the General Assembly on rules and legislative

1 procedure and current fiscal conditions and other problems in state
2 government, is essential to the proper functioning of each Regular Session of
3 the General Assembly.

4 (a) The Arkansas Legislative Council and the Legislative Joint Auditing
5 Committee shall cooperate in jointly sponsoring a biennial Institute of
6 Legislative Procedure to carry out the aforementioned purposes. Members of
7 the preceding General Assembly who have been re-elected to a new term in
8 either house of the General Assembly, and newly-elected members of the House
9 of Representatives and Arkansas Senate, shall be eligible to attend the
10 biennial Institute of Legislative Procedure and shall be entitled, upon filing
11 a claim therefor, to per diem in the amount fixed by law for payment to
12 members of the General Assembly for attendance at legislative sessions per day
13 for each day in attending the biennial Institute of Legislative Procedure, but
14 in no event to exceed three (3) days per member, plus mileage in traveling
15 from their place of residence to the biennial Institute of Legislative
16 Procedure and return at the same rate of mileage authorized for official
17 travel by state employees. Per diem and mileage for members of the General
18 Assembly and newly-elected members of the General Assembly for attending the
19 biennial Institute of Legislative Procedure shall be paid by their respective
20 houses from the monies appropriated therefor.

21 (b) There is hereby appropriated, to be payable from the Constitutional
22 Officers Fund, to the Arkansas Senate of the General Assembly of the State of
23 Arkansas, to be used for payment of per diem and mileage of members of the
24 Arkansas Senate who attend the biennial Institute of Legislative Procedure, to
25 be held prior to the convening of the 1993 Regular Session of the General
26 Assembly, the sum of\$ 3,750.

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28 SECTION 7. The Senate Efficiency Committee may, at its direction and
29 subject to the approval of the Arkansas Senate, employ Arkansas Senate
30 employees and transfer or discharge any employee if it is deemed for the best
31 interest of the Arkansas Senate.

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33 SECTION 8. The Senate Chief of Staff shall be appointed and salary
34 determined by the Senate Efficiency Committee, subject to the approval of the
35 Arkansas Senate, prior to July 1 of each fiscal year within the salary

1 limitations as set out herein, and shall perform such duties as may be
2 provided by the Rules of the Senate and by the Senate Efficiency Committee,
3 subject to the approval of the Arkansas Senate. Appointment to and the salary
4 to be paid to the positions of Senate Assistant Chief of Staff, Senate
5 Information Director, and Administrative Assistant shall be made and
6 determined, within the salary limitations as set out herein, by the Senate
7 Efficiency Committee subject to the approval of the Arkansas Senate, after
8 receiving recommendations from the Senate Chief of Staff. Each of the
9 employees authorized by this Act shall serve at the pleasure of the Senate
10 Efficiency Committee, subject to the approval of the Arkansas Senate. The
11 Senate Fiscal Officer, the Senate Assistant Fiscal Officer, the Secretary of
12 the Senate, and the Senate Properties Officer shall report directly to and be
13 responsible directly to the Senate Efficiency Committee, subject to the
14 approval of the Arkansas Senate.

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16 SECTION 9. The Secretary of the Arkansas Senate, the Senate Fiscal
17 Officer, the Senate Assistant Fiscal Officer and the Senate Properties Officer
18 shall perform such duties during the Regular Session of the General Assembly
19 and during the interim between the convening of Special Sessions and/or the
20 next regular session of the General Assembly as may be provided by the rules
21 of the Arkansas Senate or by the Arkansas Senate Efficiency Committee, subject
22 to the approval of the Arkansas Senate.

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24 SECTION 10. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
25 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
26 in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this Act
27 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
28 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
29 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
30 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint
31 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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33 SECTION 11. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent
34 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
35 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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SECTION 12. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 13. REPEALER. Arkansas Code §10-2-216(b) and all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 14. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Eighth 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, 1991 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, 1991 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, 1991.

APPROVED: 2-1-91

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