

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **80th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1995**
4 **By: Joint Budget Committee**

A Bill

ACT 95 OF 1995
HOUSE BILL 1246

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND
9 OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS
10 FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1997; AND FOR
11 OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN
15 AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1995-97
16 BIENNIUM."

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

20 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
21 Department of Veteran Affairs for the 1995-97 biennium, the following maximum
22 number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions
23 of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201
24 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided,
25 however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set
26 out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform
27 Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
28 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular
29 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
30 successor.

Item	Class		Maximum	Maximum Annual
			No. of	Salary Rate
			Employees	Fiscal Years
No.	Code	Title		1995-96 1996-97
36	(1)	9989 VETERANS DIR DEPT OF VETERAN AFFAIR	1	\$ 59,393 \$ 60,877

1	(2) 751Z VETERANS AFFAIRS ASSISTANT DIR	1	GRADE 24
2	(3) R099 SUPERVISOR OF VETERANS SERVICE	1	GRADE 20
3	(4) R315 VETERANS AFFAIRS EXEC ASST TO DIR	1	GRADE 19
4	R097 CHIEF, CLAIMS & APPEALS SECTION	1	
5	(5) R264 MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST I	1	GRADE 18
6	M098 VETERANS CLAIMS SPECIALIST	8	
7	(6) A063 PAYROLL OFFICER	1	GRADE 15
8	(7) K041 EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	2	GRADE 14
9	(8) K153 SECRETARY II	5	GRADE 13
10	(9) K023 CLERK TYPIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE 10
11	MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	23	

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13 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 14 Department of Veteran Affairs, to be payable from the State General Services
 15 Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department
 16 of Veteran Affairs for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the
 17 following:

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19	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
20	<u>NO.</u>	<u>1995-96</u>	<u>1996-97</u>
21	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 568,946	\$ 568,946
22	(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	150,629	150,629
23	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 28,874	\$ 28,874
25	(B) CONF. & TRVL.	1,917	1,917
26	(C) PROF. FEES	0	0
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	5,000	3,000
28	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
29	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	35,791	33,791
30	(04) AID TO COUNTY OFFICE	<u>234,500</u>	<u>234,500</u>
31	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 989,866</u>	<u>\$ 987,866</u>

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33 SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - VETERANS HOME DIVISION. There is hereby
 34 established for the Department of Veteran Affairs - Veterans Home Division for
 35 the 1995-97 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose

1 salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and
 2 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all
 3 laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a
 4 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt
 5 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All
 6 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the
 7 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas
 8 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

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		Maximum Annual		
		Maximum	Salary Rate	
Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Years	
No.	Code Title	Employees	1995-96	1996-97
14	(1) 752Z VETERANS HOME SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 24	
15	(2) L078 NURSE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 22	
16	R438 VETERANS HOME ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR	1		
17	(3) M088 SOCIAL WORKER II	1	GRADE 20	
18	L070 NURSE II	6		
19	(4) M086 SOCIAL WORKER I	1	GRADE 19	
20	(5) A111 ACCOUNTANT	1	GRADE 18	
21	G028 BUILDING PLANT MAINTENANCE SUPV II	1		
22	H032 FOOD PRODUCTION MANAGER	1		
23	M054 REHAB COUNSELOR II	1		
24	R264 MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST I	1		
25	(6) G161 GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPAIRMAN	1	GRADE 17	
26	(7) L115 LPN II	9	GRADE 15	
27	A108 ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN II	1		
28	M048 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	1		
29	(8) K041 EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	1	GRADE 14	
30	(9) M047 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER I	1	GRADE 13	
31	(10) T045 SECURITY OFFICER II	7	GRADE 12	
32	(11) K155 SECRETARY I	1	GRADE 11	
33	G151 CUSTODIAL SERVICE SHIFT SUPV	1		
34	L081 NURSING ASST II	15		
35	(12) H005 BAKER II	1	GRADE 10	

1	H027 COOK II	4	
2	G165 WORK MAINTENANCE LEADER	2	
3	(13) H025 COOK I	4	GRADE 08
4	(14) G075 HOUSEKEEPER	7	GRADE 04
5	G008 LAUNDRY WORKER	1	
6	(15) H039 FOOD SERVICE WORKER I	<u>4</u>	GRADE 03
7	MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	77	

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9 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - VETERANS HOME DIVISION. There is hereby

10 appropriated, to the Department of Veteran Affairs, to be payable from the

11 State General Services Fund Account, for personal services and operating

12 expenses of the Department of Veteran Affairs - Veterans Home Division for the

13 biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the following:

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15 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
16 NO.	1995-96	1996-97
17 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 1,397,848	\$ 1,397,861
18 (02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	383,873	383,876
19 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
20 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 709,369	\$ 709,369
21 (B) CONF. & TRVL.	1,395	1,395
22 (C) PROF. FEES	52,260	52,260
23 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
24 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
25 TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	<u>763,024</u>	<u>763,024</u>
26 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 2,544,745</u>	<u>\$ 2,544,761</u>

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28 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the

29 Department of Veteran Affairs - Veterans Home Division, to be payable from

30 cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Department of Veteran

31 Affairs, for refunds of unused fees paid by residents of the Veterans Home for

32 the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the following:

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34 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
35 NO.	1995-96	1996-97

1 (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS \$ 2,040,621 \$ 2,040,621

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3 SECTION 6. The funds appropriated herein for Aid to County Veterans
4 Service Offices may also be used by the Department of Veteran Affairs to pay
5 expenses of County Veterans Service Officers for attending regional or
6 statewide training conferences approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs
7 and designed to provide better trained and qualified Veterans Service Officers
8 in the various counties. Any such expenses paid by the Department of Veterans
9 Affairs from funds appropriated herein shall be on the same reimbursement
10 basis as the reimbursement of state employees for expenses incurred in
11 attending their official business. Provided, no County Veterans Service
12 Officer shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for expenses incurred in
13 attending more than two (2) approved conferences per year, per county.

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15 SECTION 7. Funds appropriated for Conference Fees and Travel may be
16 used to compensate members of the Governor's Commission on Veterans' Affairs
17 at a maximum rate of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day and for reimbursement
18 for travel expenses at the same rate per mile as is paid to state employees
19 pursuant to State Travel Regulations.

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21 SECTION 8. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
22 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
23 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
24 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
25 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
26 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control
27 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the
28 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
29 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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31 SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
32 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
33 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which
34 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
35 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget

1 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
2 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
3 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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5 SECTION 10. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and
6 permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the
7 Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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9 SECTION 11. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
10 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such
11 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which
12 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this
13 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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15 SECTION 12. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict
16 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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18 SECTION 13. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
19 Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
20 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that
21 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to the operation of
22 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
23 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
24 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work irreparable harm upon the
25 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
26 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
27 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
28 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1995.

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