

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

A Bill

ACT 991 OF 1995
HOUSE BILL 2054

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 FOR THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION FOR ADMINISTERING
10 AND REGULATING THE COMMON SELF INSURED GROUPS WHICH SHALL
11 BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS
12 APPROPRIATED BY ACT 315 OF 1995; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

15 "AN ACT FOR THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION
16 COMMISSION SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION."

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 Workers' Compensation Commission, the following maximum number of regular
22 employees which shall be supplemental and in addition to those positions
23 authorized in Section 1 of Act 315 of 1995 and whose salaries shall be
24 governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act
25 (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory
26 thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum
27 annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the
28 provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons
29 occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of
30 the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code
31 §21-5-101), or its successor.

| Item | Class | | Maximum | Maximum Annual |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | No. of | Salary Rate |
| | | | Employees | Fiscal Years |
| No. | Code | Title | Employees | 1995-96 1996-97 |
| 36 (1) | 127Z | WRKS COMP DEPARTMENT HEAD | 1 | GRADE 26 |

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| 1 | (2) | A022 | CERTIFIED FINANCIAL EXAMINER | 1 | GRADE 25 |
| 2 | (3) | R036 | ATTORNEY | 1 | GRADE 24 |
| 3 | (4) | 766Z | WK CMP PROGRAM MANAGER | 3 | GRADE 23 |
| 4 | | D080 | APPLICATIONS & SYSTEMS MANAGER | 1 | |
| 5 | (5) | R484 | WK CMP CLAIMS MANAGER | 1 | GRADE 22 |
| 6 | (6) | A251 | SR. AUDITOR | 3 | GRADE 21 |
| 7 | | R356 | INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANT | 3 | |
| 8 | (7) | M116 | UTILIZATION REVIEW NURSE | 1 | GRADE 20 |
| 9 | (8) | X361 | INSURANCE INVESTIGATOR | 1 | GRADE 17 |
| 10 | | R010 | ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II | 2 | |
| 11 | (9) | R009 | ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I | <u>6</u> | GRADE 15 |
| 12 | | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 24 | |

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14 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - ADMINISTRATION. There is hereby
15 appropriated, to the Workers' Compensation Commission, to be payable from the
16 Workers' Compensation Fund, for personal services for administering and
17 regulating the common self insured groups of the Workers' Compensation
18 Commission which shall be supplemental and in addition to those funds
19 appropriated in Section 2 of Act 315 of 1995, the following:

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| 21 | ITEM | | FISCAL YEARS | |
|----|----------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 22 | NO. | | 1995-96 | 1996-97 |
| 23 | (01) | REGULAR SALARIES | \$ 637,648 | \$ 653,589 |
| 24 | (02) | PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | <u>159,412</u> | <u>163,398</u> |
| 25 | | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u>\$ 797,060</u> | <u>\$ 816,987</u> |

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27 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
28 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
29 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
30 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
31 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
32 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control
33 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the
34 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
35 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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2 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
3 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
4 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which
5 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
6 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
7 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
8 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
9 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

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15 SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
16 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such
17 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which
18 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this
19 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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21 SECTION 7. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict
22 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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24 SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
25 Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
26 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that
27 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to the operation of
28 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
29 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
30 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work irreparable harm upon the
31 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
32 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
33 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
34 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1995.

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/s/Rep. E. Thicksten

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