

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 82nd General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1999
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As Engrossed: S3/10/99 S3/16/99

A Bill

Act 904 of 1999
HOUSE BILL 1454

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
11 OF THE COURTS FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30,
12 2001; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

15 "AN ACT FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
16 OF THE COURTS - BIENNIAL OPERATIONS
17 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1999-2001 BIENNIUM."
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for
23 the Administrative Office of the Courts for the 1999-2001 biennium, the
24 following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed
25 by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas
26 Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.
27 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary
28 is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said
29 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
30 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular
31 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
32 successor.
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34			Maximum Annual
35		Maximum	Salary Rate
36	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Years

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	No.	Code	Title	Employees	1999-2000	2000-2001
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2	(1)		DIRECTOR	1	\$83,749	\$86,094
3	(2)		DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 26	
4	(3)		LEGAL RESEARCH SPECIALIST	5	GRADE 25	
5	(4)		INTERPRETER SC: L	1	GRADE 24	
6	(5)		JUDICIAL EDUCATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 22	
7	(6)		SYSTEMS ANALYST II	1	GRADE 21	
8	(7)		PROGRAMMER	1	GRADE 20	
9	(8)		DATA AUDITOR II	3	GRADE 19	
10	(9)		PUBLIC EDUCATION/ PUBLICATIONS	1	GRADE 19	
11	(10)		OFFICE MANAGER	1	GRADE 19	
12	(11)		RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE 19	
13	(12)		PERSONAL COMPUT. SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE 18	
14	(13)		DATA AUDITOR I	4	GRADE 17	
15	(14)		BUSINESS CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE 17	
16	(15)		EXEC/ ADMIN SECRETARY	4	GRADE 13	
17	(16)		SHIPPING/RECEIVING CLERK	<u>1</u>	GRADE 10	
18		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		28		

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20 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 21 Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the State Central
 22 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 23 Administrative Office of the Courts for the biennial period ending June 30,
 24 2001, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS		
	NO.	1999-2000	2000-2001
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27	(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 1,235,158 \$ 1,269,748
28	(02)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	344,856 354,514
29	(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	178,294 181,860
31	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	11,848 12,441
32	(C)	PROF. FEES	45,000 45,000
33	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	164,500 164,500
34	(E)	DATA PROC.	0 0
35	(04)	FEDERAL GRANTS MATCHING	25,000 25,000
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1	(05) JUDICIAL EDUCATION	<u>125,000</u>	<u>125,000</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 2,129,656</u>	<u>\$ 2,178,063</u>

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4 SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION.

5 There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts -

6 Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission for the 1999-2001 biennium, the

7 following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed

8 by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas

9 Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.

10 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary

11 is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said

12 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions

13 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular

14 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its

15 successor.

16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Item	Class		Maximum	Maximum Annual	
	No.	Code	Title	No. of	Salary Rate	Fiscal Years
				Employees	1999-2000	2000-2001
21	(1)		COORDINATOR OF ADR PROGRAM	<u>1</u>	\$35,693	\$36,692
22			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1		

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24 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION. There

25 is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be

26 payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services, operating

27 expenses, and grants of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Alternative

28 Dispute Resolution Commission for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001,

29 the following:

30	31	32	33	34	35	36
	ITEM		FISCAL YEARS			
	NO.		1999-2000		2000-2001	
33	(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 35,693	\$	36,692	
34	(02)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	9,560		9,737	
35	(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION				
36	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	30,000		30,000	

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	19,000	19,000
2	(C) PROF. FEES	5,000	5,000
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	2,000	2,000
4	(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
5	(04) ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION		
6	GRANTS	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
7	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 151,253</u>	<u>\$ 152,429</u>

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9 SECTION 5. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE. There is

10 hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court

11 Appointed Special Advocate for the 1999-2001 biennium, the following maximum

12 number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions

13 of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201

14 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided,

15 however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set

16 out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform

17 Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions

18 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular

19 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its

20 successor.

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			Maximum Annual		
			Maximum	Salary Rate	
Item Class			No. of	Fiscal Years	
No.	Code	Title	Employees	1999-2000	2000-2001
26	(1)	RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	<u>1</u>	GRADE 18	
27		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1		

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29 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE. There is

30 hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable

31 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,

32 for personal services and operating expenses of the Administrative Office of

33 the Courts - Court Appointed Special Advocate for the biennial period ending

34 June 30, 2001, the following:

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36 ITEM FISCAL YEARS

NO.		1999-2000	2000-2001
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 26,000	\$ 26,728
(02)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	7,812	7,936
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	1,353	1,353
(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	2,365	1,385
(C)	PROF. FEES	0	0
(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
(E)	DATA PROC.	0	0
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 37,530</u>	<u>\$ 37,402</u>

SECTION 7. REGULAR SALARIES - DIVISION OF DEPENDENCY - NEGLECT REPRESENTATION. There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Division of Dependency - Neglect Representation for the 1999-2001 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), 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 (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

Item	Class	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Years
No.	Code Title		1999-2000 2000-2001
(1)	COORDINATOR OF CASA PROGRAM	<u>1</u>	GRADE 22
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1	

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF DEPENDENCY - NEGLECT REPRESENTATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Dependency - Neglect Representation for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the

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3 ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
4 NO.		1999-2000	2000-2001
5 (01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 35,980	\$ 36,988
6 (02)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	9,609	9,790
7 (03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
8 (A)	OPER. EXPENSE	70,000	70,000
9 (B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	4,000	4,000
10 (C)	PROF. FEES	0	0
11 (D)	CAP. OUTLAY	2,000	2,000
12 (E)	DATA PROC.	0	0
13 (04)	LOCAL CASA PROGRAM GRANTS	<u>500,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
14	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 621,589</u>	<u>\$ 1,122,778</u>

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16 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - HEARING AND VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS. There is hereby
 17 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 18 the State Central Services Fund, for reasonable accommodations for persons
 19 with hearing and visual impairments to act as a veni reperson or juror for the
 20 biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

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22 ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
23 NO.		1999-2000	2000-2001
24 (01)	AUXILIARY AIDS - HEARING & VISUAL		
25	IMPAIRMENTS	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>

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27 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - JUDICIAL FINE COLLECTION ENHANCEMENT. There is
 28 hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable
 29 from the Judicial Fine Collection Enhancement Fund, for operating expenses for
 30 the purchase of computer hardware and software to be used for uniform
 31 assessment, collection, management, and reporting of judicial fines for the
 32 biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

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34 ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
35 NO.		1999-2000	2000-2001
36 (01)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		

1	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	50,000	50,000
2	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0	0
3	(C) PROF. FEES	0	0
4	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
5	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 50,000</u>	<u>\$ 50,000</u>

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8 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - FOSTER CARE SYSTEM - FEDERAL. There is hereby
 9 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 10 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 11 operating expenses of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Foster Care
 12 System - Federal for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

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14	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
16	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
17	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	94,000	94,000
18	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000	6,000
19	(C) PROF. FEES	50,000	50,000
20	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
21	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
22	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 150,000</u>	<u>\$ 150,000</u>

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24 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - ACCESS AND VISITATION MEDIATION - FEDERAL.
 25 There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to
 26 be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 27 the State, for operating expenses of the Administrative Office of the Courts -
 28 Access and Visitation Mediation - Federal for the biennial period ending June
 29 30, 2001, the following:

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31	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
33	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
34	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	8,926	8,926
35	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0	0
36	(C) PROF. FEES	87,000	87,000

1	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
2	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 95,926</u>	<u>\$ 95,926</u>

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 5 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - MEDIATION OF DEPENDENCY/NEGLECT. There is
 6 hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable
 7 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,
 8 for operating expenses and grants for mediation training of the Administrative
 9 Office of the Courts - Mediation of Dependency/Neglect for the biennial period
 10 ending June 30, 2001, the following:

12	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
14	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 48,150	\$ 48,150
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,700	10,700
17	(C) PROF. FEES	37,450	37,450
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	10,700	10,700
19	(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
20	(02) GRANTS FOR MEDIATION TRAINING	<u>267,500</u>	<u>267,500</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 374,500</u>	<u>\$ 374,500</u>

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 23 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATIONS - CONTINUING EDUCATION. There is hereby
 24 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 25 the Municipal Court Judge's Clerk Education Fund, for the purpose of providing
 26 continuing education to Municipal Court Judges and Municipal Court Clerks of
 27 the Administrative Office of the Courts which shall be supplemental and in
 28 addition to those funds appropriated by Section 1 of Act 206 of 1999 for the
 29 biennial period ending, June 30, 2001, the following:

31	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
33	(01) MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES AND MUNICIPAL		
34	COURT CLERKS CONTINUING EDUCATION		
35	PROGRAM	<u>\$ 25,000</u>	<u>\$ 25,000</u>

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SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Administrative Office of the Courts, for operating expenses of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	1999-2000	2000-2001
(01) MAINTENANCE & GENERAL OPERATIONS	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000

SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. Arkansas Code 19-5-205(g)(2) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(2) An amount sufficient to complete the full financing of the budgets for the Senate, the House of Representatives, ~~the Administrative Office of the Courts,~~ and Lieutenant Governor, and up to twenty-four thousand four hundred seventy dollars (\$24,470) for the State Land Department; and"

SECTION 17. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PROCUREMENT-AUXILIARY AIDS. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall employ the most cost efficient method of procuring auxiliary aids for persons with hearing and visual impairments. These methods may include entering into a contractual arrangement with another state agency or with a private entity that is capable of providing these services.

SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EQUIPMENT PROVISION. The audio/visual equipment purchased by the Administrative Office of the Courts from funds appropriated in Act 505 of 1991 and which was installed in the County Courthouse of Jefferson County, Arkansas, shall be released from the equipment inventory of the Administrative Office of the Courts and transferred to Jefferson County as of the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 19. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized

1 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
2 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
3 restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary
4 Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures
5 and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of
6 this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of
7 Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied
8 with in disbursement of said funds.

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10 SECTION 20. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
11 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
12 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
13 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
14 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
15 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
16 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint
17 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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19 SECTION 21. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent
20 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
21 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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23 SECTION 22. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or the application
24 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall
25 not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given
26 effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the
27 provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

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29 SECTION 23. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with
30 this act are hereby repealed.

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32 SECTION 24. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
33 Eighty-second General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
34 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that
35 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1999 is essential to the operation of
36 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in

1 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
2 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1999 could work irreparable harm upon the
3 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
4 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
5 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
6 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1999.

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8 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*

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