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Act 245 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas  
2 86th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2007  
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As Engrossed: H2/22/07

**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1374

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL  
10 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SECRETARY  
11 OF STATE FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30,  
12 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

15 AN ACT FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
16 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2007-2009  
17 BIENNIUM.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 *SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - CENTRAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby*  
24 *established for the Secretary of State - Central Operations for the 2007-2009*  
25 *biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries*  
26 *shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and*  
27 *Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and*  
28 *all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a*  
29 *specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt*  
30 *from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All*  
31 *persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the*  
32 *provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas*  
33 *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	2007-2008	2008-2009
4	(1)	7001	SEC OF STATE CHIEF DEPUTY	1	\$95,937	\$97,857
5	(2)	9331	SEC OF STATE DEPUTY FOR ELECTION/CO	1	\$87,043	\$89,219
6	(3)	7019	SEC OF STATE GENERAL COUNSEL	1	\$78,601	\$80,173
7	(4)	8804	SEC OF STATE ASSISTANT COUNSEL	1	\$75,391	\$76,898
8	(5)	7016	SEC OF STATE INFO TECH DIRECTOR	1	\$75,391	\$76,898
9	(6)	9350	SEC OF STATE DATABASE ENGINEER	1	\$75,025	\$76,526
10	(7)	7020	SEC OF STATE PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIRECT	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
11	(8)	7015	SEC OF STATE BUSINESS DIRECTOR	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
12	(9)	7014	SEC OF STATE ELECTION DIRECTOR	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
13	(10)	7013	SEC OF STATE COMMUNICATION/ED DIR	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
14	(11)	7006	SEC OF STATE BUS AND COMMERCIAL SVC	1	\$65,975	\$67,295
15	(12)	9211	SOS VOTER SVCS SUPERVISOR	1	\$61,490	\$62,719
16	(13)	7031	SEC OF STATE PUBLICN/EVENTS COORD	1	\$60,285	\$61,490
17	(14)	9214	SOS EDUCATION COORDINATOR	1	\$58,404	\$59,572
18	(15)	9332	SEC OF STATE PROJECT COORDINATOR	3	\$53,333	\$54,399
19	(16)	7028	SEC OF STATE FINANCE MANAGER	1	\$53,333	\$54,399
20	(17)	9351	SEC OF STATE PROGRAM ANALYST II	1	\$53,283	\$54,349
21	(18)	7030	SEC OF STATE ELECTION SERVICES SUPV	1	\$52,549	\$53,599
22	(19)	7009	SEC OF STATE HUMAN RESOURCES MGR	1	\$52,489	\$53,538
23	(20)	7005	SEC OF STATE PROGRAMMER ANALYST	1	\$51,246	\$52,270
24	(21)	9330	SEC OF STATE ELECTION COORDINATOR	6	\$50,009	\$51,009
25	(22)	7040	SEC OF STATE PURCHASING MANAGER	1	\$48,010	\$48,970
26	(23)	013X	SOS ASSISTANT FINANCE MANAGER	1	\$46,348	\$47,275
27	(24)	015X	SEC OF STATE OUTREACH COORD	1	\$46,148	\$47,071
28	(25)	7150	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL HISTORIAN	1	\$46,148	\$47,071
29	(26)	7018	SEC OF STATE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	\$45,878	\$46,795
30	(27)	7058	SEC OF STATE ADMIN ASSISTANT	2	\$45,515	\$46,425
31	(28)	7008	SEC OF STATE ACCOUNTANT	3	\$43,724	\$44,598
32	(29)	9226	SOS VOTER SERVICES SYS ADMIN	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
33	(30)	9212	SOS VOTER SVCS PROJECT ADMR	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
34	(31)	8976	SEC OF STATE PC HARDWARE SPEC	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
35	(32)	7801	SOS USER SUPPORT ANALYST	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
36	(33)	7004	SEC OF STATE PRODUCTION SPEC	1	\$43,226	\$44,090

1	(34)	7812	SEC OF STATE LEGAL ASSISTANT	1	\$42,154	\$42,997
2	(35)	9404	SEC OF STATE NETWORK ADMINISTRATO	1	\$42,024	\$42,864
3	(36)	9403	SEC OF STATE SECURITY ADMINISTRAT	1	\$42,024	\$42,864
4	(37)	7151	SEC OF STATE CUSTOMER SVCS COORD	3	\$41,000	\$41,820
5	(38)	7033	SEC OF STATE COMM/EDUC COORD	1	\$41,000	\$41,820
6	(39)	7153	SEC OF STATE PUBLIC INFO OFFCR	1	\$40,215	\$41,019
7	(40)	7041	SEC OF STATE PHOTOGRAPHY MANAGER	1	\$37,471	\$38,220
8	(41)	7157	SEC OF STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ASST	1	\$37,051	\$37,792
9	(42)	7154	SEC OF STATE LEAD CORPORATIONS REP	2	\$37,051	\$37,792
10	(43)	7036	SEC OF STATE LEAD UCC REP	2	\$37,051	\$37,792
11	(44)	7010	SEC OF STATE RECORDS SPECIALIST	1	\$37,051	\$37,792
12	(45)	7800	SEC OF STATE BUSINESS ASSISTANT	2	\$37,051	\$37,792
13	(46)	7169	SEC OF STATE PURCHASING ASST	1	\$37,051	\$37,792
14	(47)	7811	SEC OF STATE VOTER SVCS REP	1	\$36,677	\$37,410
15	(48)	9210	SEC OF STATE ELECTION SVCS REP II	1	\$36,677	\$37,410
16	(49)	7037	SEC OF STATE ELECT SVCS REP	3	\$36,677	\$37,410
17	(50)	7035	SEC OF STATE RECEPTIONIST II	1	\$34,110	\$34,792
18	(51)	7043	SEC OF STATE PHOTOGRAPHER	2	\$33,317	\$33,983
19	(52)	7802	SEC OF STATE CORPORATIONS REP	15	\$32,406	\$33,054
20	(53)	7168	SEC OF STATE UCC REP	3	\$32,406	\$33,054
21	(54)	7810	SEC OF STATE HELP DESK REP	2	\$32,164	\$32,807
22	(55)	9329	SEC OF STATE ACCOUNTING TECHNICIA	1	\$27,170	\$27,713
23	(56)	7191	SEC OF STATE TOUR INFORMATION SPEC	1	\$24,700	\$25,194
24	(57)	7176	SEC OF STATE MAIL CLERK	<u>1</u>	\$24,492	\$24,981
25			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	92		

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29 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - CENTRAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized,  
 30 for the Secretary of State - Central Operations for the 2007-2009 biennium,  
 31 the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known  
 32 as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes:  
 33 twenty-five (25) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of  
 34 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and  
 35 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate  
 36 classification.

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2 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - CENTRAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
3 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central  
4 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Secretary  
5 of State - Central Operations for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009,  
6 the following:

8 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
9 NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
10 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 4,100,729	\$ 4,183,155
11 (02) EXTRA HELP	84,725	84,725
12 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,312,233	1,338,610
13 (04) OVERTIME	10,000	10,000
14 (05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
15 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,232,085	1,135,085
16 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	50,092	50,092
17 (C) PROF. FEES	60,886	60,886
18 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	170,908	170,908
19 (E) DATA PROC.	105,000	105,000
20 (06) MANDATORY PUBLICATIONS	345,000	0
21 (07) PETITION VERIFICATION	475,000	0
22 (08) PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES	950,000	0
23 (09) RECORDS MANAGEMENT	1,325,528	0
24 (10) MOTOR VOTER SYSTEM		
25 OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE/ENHANCEMENT	1,472,722	1,390,744
26 (11) FLAGS	<u>181,250</u>	<u>181,250</u>
27 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 11,876,158</u>	<u>\$ 8,710,455</u>

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29 SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - SUPPORT OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
30 established for the Secretary of State - Support Operations for the 2007-2009  
31 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries  
32 shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and  
33 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and  
34 all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a  
35 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt  
36 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All

1 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the  
 2 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas  
 3 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

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5							Salary Rate	
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7	Item	Class				No. of	Fiscal Years	
8	No.	Code	Title			Employees	2007-2008	2008-2009
9	(1)	9333	SEC OF STATE DEPUTY CONSTR/BLDG/GRN			1	\$87,043	\$89,219
10	(2)	7505	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE CHIEF			1	\$68,090	\$69,451
11	(3)	7045	SEC OF STATE BLDG GROUNDS DIRECTOR			1	\$65,974	\$67,293
12	(4)	7063	SEC OF STATE MASTER TRADES DIRECTOR			1	\$65,975	\$67,295
13	(5)	082D	CAPITOL ASST POLICE CHIEF			1	\$58,662	\$59,835
14	(6)	7046	SEC OF STATE GROUNDS MGR			1	\$57,113	\$58,255
15	(7)	7044	SEC OF STATE BLDG OPERATIONS MGR			1	\$57,113	\$58,255
16	(8)	9332	SEC OF STATE PROJECT COORDINATOR			1	\$53,333	\$54,399
17	(9)	7508	SEC OF STATE POLICE SERGEANT			3	\$51,456	\$52,485
18	(10)	9402	SEC OF STATE MASTER PLUMBER			1	\$47,139	\$48,081
19	(11)	8021	SEC OF STATE MASTER ELECTRICIAN			1	\$47,139	\$48,081
20	(12)	7054	SEC OF STATE CORPORAL			16	\$43,290	\$44,155
21	(13)	7049	SOS BUILDING AND GROUNDS SUPV			4	\$40,984	\$41,803
22	(14)	8022	SEC OF STATE BLDG&GRNDS PROJ COORD			1	\$40,068	\$40,869
23	(15)	7813	SEC OF STATE MAINTENANCE WORKER II			2	\$39,457	\$40,246
24	(16)	9401	SEC OF STATE ELECTRICIAN			1	\$38,872	\$39,649
25	(17)	9400	SEC OF STATE PLUMBER			1	\$38,872	\$39,649
26	(18)	7816	SEC OF STATE INMATE CREW GUARD II			1	\$36,423	\$37,151
27	(19)	7055	SEC OF STATE INMATE CREW GUARD I			4	\$31,715	\$32,349
28	(20)	7817	SEC OF STATE MAINTENANCE WORKER I			5	\$30,972	\$31,591
29	(21)	7080	SEC OF STATE CUSTODIAN II			1	\$30,577	\$31,188
30	(22)	7143	SEC OF STATE DISPATCHER			3	\$27,326	\$27,872
31	(23)	7821	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL HILL CUSTODIAN			1	\$25,345	\$25,851
32	(24)	7056	SEC OF STATE CUSTODIAN I			6	\$24,709	\$25,203
33	(25)	7818	SEC OF STATE GROUNDS ASSISTANT			1	\$24,008	\$24,488
34	(26)	7158	SEC OF STATE PARKING LOT ATTENDANT			1	\$24,008	\$24,488
35	(27)	7152	SEC OF STATE RECEPTIONIST I			1	\$24,008	\$24,488
36	(28)	083D	SEC OF STATE HOUSEKEEPER			<u>6</u>	\$24,008	\$24,488

1 MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES 68

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3 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - SUPPORT OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized,  
 4 for the Secretary of State - Support Operations for the 2007-2009 biennium,  
 5 the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known  
 6 as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes:  
 7 five (5) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not  
 8 to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act,  
 9 or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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11 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - SUPPORT OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 12 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central  
 13 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Secretary  
 14 of State - Support Operations for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009,  
 15 the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 2,635,620	\$ 2,688,737
(02) EXTRA HELP	9,000	9,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	843,398	860,460
(04) OVERTIME	23,000	23,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,162,100	1,162,100
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	13,400	13,400
(C) PROF. FEES	320,000	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	258,940	258,940
(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
(06) CAPITOL GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT	131,000	131,000
(07) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE	489,000	472,000
(08) BUILDING INSURANCE	<u>157,714</u>	<u>160,414</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 6,043,172</u>	<u>\$ 5,779,051</u>

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34 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT - TITLE 2 - FEDERAL.  
 35 There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from  
 36 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for

1 expenditures requiring state matching for maintenance, operating expenses and  
 2 associated costs for the Help America Vote Act for the biennial period ending  
 3 June 30, 2009, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT	<u>\$ 7,500,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,500,000</u>

9 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - ELECTION ASSISTANCE FOR DISABLED - FEDERAL.

10 There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from  
 11 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
 12 grants, aid and professional fees and services for election assistance for  
 13 the disabled for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) ELECTION ASSISTANCE FOR THE DISABLED	<u>\$ 135,225</u>	<u>\$ 135,225</u>

19 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - CAPITOL GROUNDS MONUMENT/MEMORIAL PRESERVATION.

20 There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from  
 21 the Capitol Grounds Monument And Memorial Preservation Fund, for various  
 22 construction and operating expenses for the preservation of Monuments and  
 23 Memorials on the State Capitol Grounds by the Secretary of State for the  
 24 biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) VARIOUS OPERATING AND CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES FOR MONUMENT/MEMORIAL PRESERVATION	<u>\$ 50,000</u>	<u>\$ 50,000</u>

32 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE CAPITOL BUILDING AND GROUNDS  
 33 RESTORATION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State,  
 34 to be payable from cash funds deposited in the State Treasury as determined  
 35 by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, from contributions and donations  
 36 for maintenance and restoration projects by the Secretary of State for the

1 biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
5 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
6 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
7 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0	0
8 (C) PROF. FEES	0	0
9 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
10 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
11 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 25,000</u>	<u>\$ 25,000</u>

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13 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATIONS - PARKING - CASH. There is hereby  
 14 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from cash funds as  
 15 defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Secretary of State, for various  
 16 operating and associated expenses for parking activity of the Secretary of  
 17 State for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

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19 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
20 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
21 (01) VARIOUS PARKING EXPENSES	<u>\$ 260,000</u>	<u>\$ 260,000</u>

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23 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - FEE AND TAX REFUND. There is hereby  
 24 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the Miscellaneous  
 25 Revolving Fund, for refunds and reimbursements of corporate filing fees and  
 26 franchise taxes for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

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28 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
29 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
30 (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 450,000</u>	<u>\$ 450,000</u>

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32 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - FIREFIGHTERS' MEMORIAL MONUMENT. There is  
 33 hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the Fallen  
 34 Firefighters' Memorial Fund, for various operating and construction expenses  
 35 for the Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Monument for the biennial period ending  
 36 June 30, 2009, the following:

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ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) VARIOUS OPERATING AND CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES FOR THE FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS' MEMORIAL	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000

SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD. At the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2006~~ 2008, any unexpended appropriation and funds provided for in Professional Fees, Capital Outlay, Mandatory Publications, Petition Verification, Publish Legal Notices, Records Management, and Motor Voter System Operations/Maintenance/ Enhancement in Section 3 and for Professional Fees, ~~and~~ Capital Outlay, ~~and~~ Capitol Grounds Improvement and Special Maintenance in Section 6 of this Act, shall be carried forward and made available for the same purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2005~~ 2007 through June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REIMBURSEMENT. The Miscellaneous Revolving Fund shall be reimbursed in the manner provided by law.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2005~~ 2007 through June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. STATE CAPITOL POLICE. In the event that sufficient revenues, in the judgment of the Secretary of State exist, the Secretary is hereby authorized to make additional salary payments from such funds to those employees who have attained law enforcement certification above the basic certificate level, as defined by the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards. It is the intent of this Section that such payment shall be optional, at the discretion of the Secretary, dependent on sufficient revenues and shall not be

1 implemented using funds specifically set aside for other programs within the  
2 Department.

3 Employees shall be eligible for all or a portion of additional salary  
4 payments scheduled as follows:

- 5 I. General Certificate - \$ 300 annually
- 6 II. Intermediate Certificate - \$ 600 annually
- 7 III. Advanced Certificate - \$ 900 annually
- 8 IV. Senior Certificate - \$ 1,200 annually

9 Payment of such funds may be made monthly, quarterly, semiannually or  
10 annually depending upon the availability of revenues and shall be restricted  
11 to the following classifications:

- 12 1. Sec. of State Capitol Police Chief
- 13 2. Sec. of State Police Sergeant
- 14 3. Sec. of State Corporal
- 15 4. Sec. of State Assistant Chief

16 Payments made under this Section which are awarded as partial or lump sum  
17 payments shall not be considered as salary for purposes of retirement  
18 benefits but shall be subject to withholding of all applicable federal and  
19 state taxes. Payments made under this Section shall not be construed as  
20 exceeding the maximum annual salary of the employee.

21 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2005~~  
22 2007 through June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

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24 SECTION 17. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized  
25 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds  
26 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the  
27 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
28 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
29 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
30 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
31 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
32 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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34 SECTION 18. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
35 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
36 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act

1 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
2 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
3 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
4 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
5 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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7 SECTION 19. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
8 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
9 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
10 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of  
11 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
12 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
13 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the  
14 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
15 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
16 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
17 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.

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19 /s/ Joint Budget Committee

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21 APPROVED: 3/9/2007  
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