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Act 534 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas
2 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007
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As Engrossed: H2/16/07 H2/22/07

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1327

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 OFFICE OF
11 ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING
12 JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY
16 GENERAL 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 - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for*
24 *the Office of Attorney General for the 2007-2009 biennium, the following*
25 *maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the*
26 *provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code*
27 *§§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.*
28 *Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual*
29 *salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of*
30 *said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying*
31 *positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the*
32 *Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101),*
33 *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)		ATTORNEY GENERAL I	2	\$107,907	\$110,065
5	(2)		ATTORNEY GENERAL II	9	\$98,627	\$100,599
6	(3)		ATTORNEY GENERAL III	9	\$90,535	\$92,345
7	(4)		ATTORNEY GENERAL IV	5	\$85,786	\$87,501
8	(5)		CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	\$78,280	\$79,845
9	(6)		ATTORNEY GENERAL V	9	\$77,801	\$79,357
10	(7)		NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$74,572	\$76,063
11	(8)		ATTORNEY GENERAL VI	11	\$73,377	\$74,844
12	(9)		COMM RELATIONS DIRECTOR	1	\$70,000	\$71,400
13	(10)		ATTORNEY GENERAL VII	14	\$68,737	\$70,111
14	(11)		PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER	1	\$66,000	\$67,320
15	(12)		COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER	1	\$61,494	\$62,724
16	(13)		LOGISTICS DIRECTOR	1	\$60,000	\$61,200
17	(14)		FISCAL SPECIALIST I	1	\$59,740	\$60,934
18	(15)		ATTORNEY GENERAL VIII	4	\$56,543	\$57,673
19	(16)		OMBUDSMAN	1	\$56,517	\$57,647
20	(17)		HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR	1	\$55,260	\$56,365
21	(18)		INVESTIGATOR II	2	\$54,399	\$55,486
22	(19)		ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIST I	1	\$54,047	\$55,127
23	(20)		LEGAL ASSISTANT	1	\$52,530	\$53,581
24	(21)		LAW ED DIRECTOR	1	\$51,000	\$52,020
25	(22)		EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	\$50,799	\$51,814
26	(23)		LAW ED INSTRUCTOR I	2	\$50,000	\$51,000
27	(24)		EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	1	\$48,822	\$49,798
28	(25)		NETWORK SPECIALIST I	1	\$47,277	\$48,222
29	(26)		LIBRARIAN	1	\$43,642	\$44,514
30	(27)		FISCAL SPECIALIST II	1	\$43,448	\$44,316
31	(28)		INVESTIGATOR IV	2	\$43,226	\$44,090
32	(29)		NETWORK SPECIALIST II	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
33	(30)		SECRETARY I	6	\$42,050	\$42,891
34	(31)		LAW ED INSTRUCTOR II	1	\$40,984	\$41,803
35	(32)		ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	3	\$40,984	\$41,803
36	(33)		PARALEGAL I	2	\$40,202	\$41,006

1	(34)	INVESTIGATOR V	5	\$40,154	\$40,957
2	(35)	SECRETARY II	3	\$39,812	\$40,608
3	(36)	ASSIST LOGISTICS DIRECTOR	1	\$38,760	\$39,535
4	(37)	CONSUMER COUNSELOR	4	\$36,072	\$36,793
5	(38)	SECRETARY III	10	\$35,128	\$35,830
6	(39)	COURIER I	1	\$35,128	\$35,830
7	(40)	RECEPTIONIST I	2	\$33,840	\$34,516
8	(41)	COURIER II	1	\$32,447	\$33,095
9	(42)	COURIER III	<u>1</u>	\$24,701	\$25,195
10		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	127		

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12 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the
 13 Office of Attorney General for the 2007-2009 biennium, the following maximum
 14 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",
 15 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: eight (8)
 16 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed
 17 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its
 18 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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20 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to
 21 the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the State Central Services
 22 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Office of Attorney
 23 General for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
27	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 7,866,082	\$ 8,023,344
28	(02) EXTRA HELP	36,000	36,000
29	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,514,874	2,565,153
30	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
31	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,748,462	1,801,104
32	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	94,530	96,873
33	(C) PROF. FEES	539,429	557,609
34	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	95,800	98,000
35	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
36	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 12,895,177</u>	<u>\$ 13,178,083</u>

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 2 SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM. There is
 3 hereby established for the Office of Attorney General - Crime Victims
 4 Reparations Program for the 2007-2009 biennium, the following maximum number
 5 of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of
 6 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et
 7 seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however,
 8 that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein
 9 in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform
 10 Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
 11 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular
 12 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
 13 successor.

Item	Class	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Years	
				2007-2008	2008-2009
(1)	9842	ATTORNEY GENERAL VII	1	\$68,737	\$70,111
(2)	7903	CRIME VICTIM ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$47,289	\$48,243
(3)	9843	FISCAL SPECIALIST II	1	\$43,448	\$44,316
(4)	INVESTIGATOR V		8	\$40,154	\$40,957
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES			11		

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 25 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM. There is
 26 hereby authorized, for the Office of Attorney General - Crime Victims
 27 Reparations Program for the 2007-2009 biennium, the following maximum number
 28 of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable
 29 from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary or part-
 30 time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in
 31 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this
 32 act for the appropriate classification.

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 34 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM. There is
 35 hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from
 36 the Crime Victims Reparations Revolving Fund, for personal services,

1 operating expenses and the payment of claims by the Office of Attorney
 2 General - Crime Victims Reparations Program for the biennial period ending
 3 June 30, 2009, the following:

5 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
6 NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
7 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 480,715	\$ 490,326
8 (02) EXTRA HELP	10,000	10,000
9 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	153,828	156,904
10 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
11 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	73,801	75,999
12 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,600	16,000
13 (C) PROF. FEES	10,300	10,600
14 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
15 (E) DATA PROC.	0	0
16 (05) CLAIMS	<u>3,082,750</u>	<u>3,077,986</u>
17 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 3,826,994</u>	<u>\$ 3,837,815</u>

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 19 SECTION 7. REGULAR SALARIES - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM - FEDERAL.
 20 There is hereby established for the Office of Attorney General - Crime
 21 Victims Reparations Program - Federal for the 2007-2009 biennium, the
 22 following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be
 23 governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act
 24 (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory
 25 thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum
 26 annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the
 27 provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons
 28 occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions
 29 of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-
 30 101), or its successor.

32				Maximum Annual
33				Salary Rate
34 Item Class				Fiscal Years
35 No. Code Title	Maximum			
	No. of			
	Employees	2007-2008	2008-2009	
36 (1) 7331 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT III	<u>1</u>	\$28,233	\$28,797	

1 MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES 1

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3 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM - FEDERAL.

4 There is hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be
 5 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 6 the State, for personal services, operating expenses and the payment of
 7 claims by the Office of Attorney General - Crime Victims Reparations Program
 8 - Federal for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

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10 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
11 NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
12 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 28,233	\$ 28,797
13 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	9,967	10,083
14 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
15 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	26,900	26,900
16 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0	0
17 (C) PROF. FEES	0	0
18 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
19 (E) DATA PROC.	0	0
20 (04) CLAIMS	<u>1,413,799</u>	<u>1,413,799</u>
21 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,478,899</u>	<u>\$ 1,479,579</u>

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23 SECTION 9. REGULAR SALARIES - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - STATE. There is
 24 hereby established for the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud
 25 Division - State for the 2007-2009 biennium, the following maximum number of
 26 regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the
 27 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et
 28 seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however,
 29 that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein
 30 in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform
 31 Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
 32 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular
 33 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
 34 successor.

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Maximum Annual

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Salary Rate 2007-2008	Salary Rate 2008-2009	
1	(1)	9839	ATTORNEY GENERAL II	1	\$98,627	\$100,599
2	(2)	9840	ATTORNEY GENERAL VI	2	\$73,377	\$74,844
3	(3)	9449	AUDITOR	1	\$66,973	\$68,312
4	(4)	7329	SECRETARY III	<u>1</u>	\$35,128	\$35,830
5	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES			5		

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - STATE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud Division - State for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 347,482	\$ 354,429
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	91,990	93,408
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	63,300	65,200
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	11,199	11,500
(C) PROF. FEES	7,400	7,500
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	6,700	7,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 528,071</u>	<u>\$ 539,037</u>

SECTION 11. REGULAR SALARIES - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - FEDERAL. There is hereby established for the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud Division - Federal for the 2007-2009 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

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

Item	Class		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code	Title	No. of	Salary Rate
			Employees	Fiscal Years
			2007-2008	2008-2009
9	(1)	MEDICAID DIRECTOR	1	\$90,809 \$92,625
10	(2)	ATTORNEY GENERAL IV	1	\$85,786 \$87,501
11	(3)	ATTORNEY GENERAL V	1	\$77,801 \$79,357
12	(4)	CHIEF INVESTIGATOR	1	\$77,735 \$79,289
13	(5)	INVESTIGATOR I	2	\$59,112 \$60,294
14	(6)	INVESTIGATOR III	5	\$53,912 \$54,990
15	(7)	NURSE ANALYST	2	\$53,912 \$54,990
16	(8)	ANALYST	1	\$46,764 \$47,699
17	(9)	PARALEGAL I	1	\$40,202 \$41,006
18	(10)	SECRETARY II	1	\$39,812 \$40,608
19	(11)	CASE COORDINATOR	<u>1</u>	\$37,471 \$38,220
20	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		17	

22 SECTION 12. EXTRA HELP - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - FEDERAL. There is
 23 hereby authorized, for the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud
 24 Division - Federal for the 2007-2009 biennium, the following maximum number
 25 of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable
 26 from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary or part-
 27 time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in
 28 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this
 29 act for the appropriate classification.

31 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - FEDERAL. There is
 32 hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from
 33 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 34 personal services and operating expenses of the Office of Attorney General -
 35 Medicaid Fraud Division - Federal for the biennial period ending June 30,
 36 2009, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 991,988	\$ 1,011,823
(02) EXTRA HELP	25,000	25,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	317,436	323,783
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	185,291	190,841
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	34,000	35,100
(C) PROF. FEES	22,800	23,450
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	25,500	26,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,602,015</u>	<u>\$ 1,635,997</u>

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - INDIRECT COSTS.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud Division - Indirect Costs for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0	0
(C) PROF. FEES	50,000	50,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	25,000	25,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 290,000</u>	<u>\$ 290,000</u>

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - SPYWARE MONITORING. There is hereby

appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the Spyware Monitoring Fund, for administrative expenses and other associated expenses for the enforcement activities and monitoring of spyware by the Office of Attorney General - Spyware Monitoring for the biennial period

1 ending June 30, 2009, the sum of\$100,000.

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3 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - SPYWARE MONITORING - STATE. There is hereby
4 appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the
5 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for administrative expenses and other
6 associated expenses for the enforcement activities and monitoring of spyware
7 by the Office of Attorney General - Spyware Monitoring - State for the
8 biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the sum of\$100,000.

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10 SECTION 17. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
11 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ATTORNEY
12 FEES. The disbursing officer of the appropriations provided for herein,
13 shall deposit all monies received by the Office of Attorney General as
14 attorney fees in the State Central Services Fund as direct revenues.

15 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2005~~
16 2007 through June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

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18 SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE
19 NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD.
20 Any unexpended balance of appropriation provided in this Act, excluding
21 Regular Salaries, which remains at the close of the fiscal year ending June
22 30, 2008, shall be carried forward and made available for the same purpose
23 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

24 Any carry forward of unexpended balance of appropriation and/or funding as
25 authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:
26 (1) Prior to June 30, 2008 the Agency shall by written statement set forth
27 its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said appropriation and/or funding
28 to the Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;
29 (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall
30 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward from
31 the first fiscal year of the biennium to the second fiscal year of the
32 biennium by the September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget
33 Committee meeting in the second fiscal year of the biennial period which
34 report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution
35 and the amount of the appropriation and/or funding carried forward from the
36 first fiscal year to the second fiscal year, the program name or line item,

1 the funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request
2 set forth in (1) above;

3 (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written
4 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
5 containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written
6 statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for
7 which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30)
8 days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents
9 its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget
10 Committee; and

11 (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include
12 all information obtained in item (3) above in the biennial budget manuals
13 and/or a statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or
14 Institution.

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

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18 SECTION 19. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE
19 NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
20 PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
21 State, and prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council, the Office of
22 Attorney General is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line item
23 authorized in Section 3 Appropriation - Operations of the Office of Attorney
24 General in this Act to any other line item authorized in Section 3.

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

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28 SECTION 20. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
29 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
30 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
31 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
32 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
33 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
34 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
35 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
36 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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2 SECTION 21. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
3 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
4 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
5 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
6 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
7 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
8 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
9 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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11 SECTION 22. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
12 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
13 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
14 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of
15 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
16 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
17 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the
18 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
19 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
20 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
21 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.

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23 /s/ Joint Budget Committee

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25 APPROVED: 3/28/2007
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