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Act 167 of the Fiscal Session**

1 State of Arkansas
2 87th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2010
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 75

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 OFFICIAL
11 COURT REPORTERS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS FOR THE
12 FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE -
17 OFFICIAL COURT REPORTERS APPROPRIATION
18 FOR THE 2010-2011 FISCAL YEAR.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT REPORTERS. There is hereby
25 established for the Official Court Reporters of the Circuit Courts for the
26 2010-2011 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees
27 whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform
28 Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or
29 its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any
30 position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in
31 dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform Classification
32 and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions authorized herein are
33 hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and
34 Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its successor.
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36 Maximum Annual

1		Maximum	Salary Rate
2	Item	No. of	Fiscal Year
3	No.	Employees	2010-2011
4	(1) COURT REPORTER	<u>122</u>	GRADE C119
5	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	122	

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 7 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - COURT REPORTERS. There is hereby appropriated,
 8 to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the Court Reporter's Fund, for
 9 personal services and operating expenses of the Official Court Reporters of
 10 the Circuit Courts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, the following:

12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	NO.	2010-2011
14	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 6,495,950
15	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,850,442
16	(03) EXPENSE ALLOWANCE	400,000
17	(04) INDI GENT TRANSCRIPTS	600,000
18	(05) COURT REPORTER SUBSTITUTES	<u>325,000</u>
19	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 9,671,392</u>

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 21 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
 23 TRANSCRIPTS. Official Court Reporters shall prepare transcripts, which are
 24 to be included within a record on appeal, pursuant to the time requirements
 25 that are outlined in the Arkansas Supreme Court Rules. In the event an
 26 official Court Reporter fails to complete a transcript within the prescribed
 27 time, he or she shall immediately inform the judge, for whom he or she is
 28 employed, and the Arkansas Board of Certified Court Reporter Examiners.
 29 Failure of a Court Reporter to report to his or her judge and to the Arkansas
 30 Board of Certified Court Reporter Examiners shall result in the immediate
 31 suspension of the Court Reporter's license, pending a hearing before the
 32 Arkansas Board of Certified Court Reporter Examiners.

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 34 SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
 35 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
 36 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the

1 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
2 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
3 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
4 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
5 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
6 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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17 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
18 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
19 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
20 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2010 is essential to the operation of
21 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
22 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
23 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2010 could work irreparable harm
24 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
25 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
26 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
27 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2010.

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