

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

**Act 225 of the Regular Session**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2009  
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*As Engrossed: H2/6/09*  
**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1142

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 OIL AND  
11 GAS COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE  
12 30, 2010; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

15 AN ACT FOR THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION  
16 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2009-2010 FISCAL  
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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 Oil and Gas Commission for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, 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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35 Maximum Annual



1			Maximum	Salary Rate
2	Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
3	No.	Code Title	Employees	2009-2010
4	(1)	U045U OIL & GAS DIRECTOR	1	\$103,166
5	(2)	U056U OIL & GAS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	\$94,309
6	(3)	B008N SENIOR PETROLEUM ENGINEER	2	GRADE N905
7	(4)	B014N SENIOR PETROLEUM GEOLOGIST	1	GRADE N901
8	(5)	G024C DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE	1	GRADE C127
9	(6)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C126
10	(7)	B013C PETROLEUM ENGINEER	1	GRADE C126
11	(8)	D030C INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C124
12	(9)	D040C GIS ANALYST	1	GRADE C123
13	(10)	G094C OIL & GAS PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE C122
14	(11)	A050C AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
15	(12)	B050C OIL & GAS DISTRICT PETROLEUM SUPERV	2	GRADE C120
16	(13)	X082C OIL & GAS INSPECTOR	10	GRADE C118
17	(14)	D071C COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
18	(15)	X098C OIL & GAS TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE C117
19	(16)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
20	(17)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	3	GRADE C112
21	(18)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C112
22	(19)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	3	GRADE C109
23	(20)	C087C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	<u>2</u>	GRADE C106
24		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	39	

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26 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the

27 Oil and Gas Commission for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following maximum

28 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",

29 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: ten (10) temporary

30 or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those

31 provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its

32 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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34 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to

35 the Oil and Gas Commission, to be payable from the Oil and Gas Commission

36 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Oil and Gas

1 Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
5 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 1,697,786
6 (02) EXTRA HELP	65,016
7 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	523,086
8 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
9 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	829,800
10 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
11 (C) PROF. FEES	2,000
12 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	620,000
13 (E) DATA PROC.	0
14 (05) POLLUTION CONTROL	10,000
15 (06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	100,000
16 (07) DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	300,000
17 (08) INTERSTATE OIL COMPACT	10,000
18 (09) UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL	60,000
19 (10) GROUNDWATER PROTECTION	<u>5,000</u>
20 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 4,237,688</u>

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22 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REFUNDS AND REIMBURSEMENTS. There is hereby  
 23 appropriated, to the Oil and Gas Commission, to be payable from cash funds as  
 24 defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Oil and Gas Commission, for refunds  
 25 and reimbursements of the Oil and Gas Commission for the fiscal year ending  
 26 June 30, 2010, the following:

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28 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
29 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
30 (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 500,000</u>

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32 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - WELL PLUGGING PROGRAM. There is hereby  
 33 appropriated, to the Oil and Gas Commission, to be payable from the Abandoned  
 34 and Orphaned Well Plugging Fund, for well plugging program expenses of the  
 35 Oil and Gas Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the  
 36 following:

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NO.	2009-2010
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(01) WELL PLUGGING EXPENSES	<u>\$ 1,500,000</u>

SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND TRANSFER. The Oil and Gas Commission, after receiving review from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Legislative Council, may request the Chief Fiscal Officer to transfer up to \$750,000 per year on his or her books and the books of the State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State from the Oil and Gas Commission Fund to the Abandoned and Orphan Well Plugging Fund.

SECTION 7. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2009 is essential to the operation of

1 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
2 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
3 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2009 could work irreparable harm upon the  
4 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
5 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
6 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
7 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2009.

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9 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*

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