

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 437 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2009

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1124

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PROVIDING  
10 PAYMENT OF CLAIMS TO SURVIVING SPOUSES AND/OR  
11 DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF POLICEMEN, FIREMEN,  
12 CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND OTHER SPECIFIED STATE  
13 EMPLOYEES KILLED IN THE OFFICIAL LINE OF DUTY, AS  
14 PRESCRIBED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF SMALL  
15 CONTROVERSIAL AND NON-CONTROVERSIAL CLAIMS WHICH  
16 HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS  
17 COMMISSION; PROVIDING PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
18 OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS  
19 COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,  
20 2010; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

23 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS  
24 COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR THE  
25 2009-2010 FISCAL YEAR.  
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29 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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31 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for  
32 the Arkansas State Claims Commission for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the  
33 following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be  
34 governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act  
35 (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory



1 thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum  
 2 annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the  
 3 provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons  
 4 occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions  
 5 of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-  
 6 101), or its successor.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2009-2010
12	(1) U051U	CLAIMS COMMISSIONER	5	\$25,492
13	(2) N154N	CLAIMS COMMISSION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N901
14	(3) C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
15	(4) C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>3</u>	GRADE C109
16	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		10	

18 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to  
 19 the Arkansas State Claims Commission, to be payable from the State Central  
 20 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 21 State Claims Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the  
 22 following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010
26 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 347,622
27 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	116,074
28 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
29 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	92,390
30 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,000
31 (C) PROF. FEES	0
32 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	40,000
33 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
34 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 599,086</u>

36 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - CLAIMS. There is hereby appropriated, to the

1 Arkansas State Claims Commission, to be payable from the Miscellaneous  
2 Revolving Fund, for payment of claims awarded to surviving spouses and/or  
3 dependent children of deceased policemen, firemen, correctional officers and  
4 other specified state employees killed in the official line of duty, as  
5 prescribed by law; for payment of small controversial claim awards made by  
6 the Arkansas State Claims Commission; and for payment of awards made by the  
7 Arkansas State Claims Commission, as provided by law, on non-controversial  
8 claims, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

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10	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
11	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
12	(01) CLAIMS FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES/DEPENDENT	
13	CHILDREN, SMALL CONTROVERSIAL CLAIMS	
14	AND SMALL NON-CONTROVERSIAL CLAIMS	\$ <u>1,500,000</u>
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16 SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
17 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

18 EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS. The Clerk of the State Claims Commission  
19 shall not distribute any warrants prepared under the provisions of this Act  
20 for awards made by the Arkansas State Claims Commission for employment  
21 compensation claims. Upon the award by the State Claims Commission of an  
22 employment compensation claim, the Clerk of the State Claims Commission shall  
23 notify the affected state agency and the Department of Finance and  
24 Administration - Office of Personnel Management of such amounts that are due  
25 and payable. The affected state agency shall then process the award through  
26 the State Mechanized Payroll System.

27 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2007~~  
28 2009 through June 30, ~~2009~~ 2010.

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30 SECTION 5. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized  
31 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds  
32 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the  
33 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
34 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
35 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
36 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by

1 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
2 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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13 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
14 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
15 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
16 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2009 is essential to the operation of  
17 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
18 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
19 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2009 could work irreparable harm upon the  
20 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
21 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
22 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
23 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2009.

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25 **APPROVED: 3/18/2009**  
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