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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 193

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL  
9 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE  
10 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS FOR THE FISCAL  
11 YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2012; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS'  
16 AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2011-2012  
17 FISCAL YEAR.  
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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. There is hereby established for the  
24 Department of Veterans' Affairs for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the following  
25 maximum number of regular employees.  
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Item	Class		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code	Title	No. of	Salary Rate
			Employees	Fiscal Year
				2011-2012
31	(1)	U008U ADVA DIRECTOR	1	\$94,435
32	(2)	G038C ADVA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE C126
33	(3)	L009C NURSE MANAGER	1	GRADE C125
34	(4)	L008C NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE C125
35	(5)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C124
36	(6)	L019C REGISTERED NURSE COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C123



1	(7)	L027C	REGISTERED NURSE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C122
2	(8)	M009C	LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER	3	GRADE C121
3	(9)	L032C	REGISTERED NURSE - HOSPITAL	14	GRADE C121
4	(10)	G185C	ADVA PROGRAM COORDINATOR	3	GRADE C117
5	(11)	R025C	HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
6	(12)	G237C	VETERANS CEMETERY MANAGER	2	GRADE C117
7	(13)	P027C	PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C116
8	(14)	X113C	VETERANS CLAIMS SPECIALIST	7	GRADE C116
9	(15)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
10	(16)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
11	(17)	S033C	MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	4	GRADE C115
12	(18)	S044C	FOOD PREPARATION MANAGER	1	GRADE C114
13	(19)	R036C	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C113
14	(20)	L069C	LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE	27	GRADE C113
15	(21)	S046C	MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	5	GRADE C113
16	(22)	T072C	SECURITY OFFICER SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE C113
17	(23)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	7	GRADE C112
18	(24)	S056C	FOOD PREPARATION SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C111
19	(25)	M076C	RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	3	GRADE C111
20	(26)	T084C	PUBLIC SAFETY SECURITY OFFICER	8	GRADE C110
21	(27)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	3	GRADE C109
22	(28)	L082C	CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT	76	GRADE C109
23	(29)	S060C	HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR	4	GRADE C109
24	(30)	M082C	RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER I	1	GRADE C109
25	(31)	S065C	MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	2	GRADE C108
26	(32)	T087C	SECURITY OFFICER	2	GRADE C106
27	(33)	S086C	COOK	7	GRADE C104
28	(34)	S084C	INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C104
29	(35)	S087C	INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES ASSISTANT	20	GRADE C103
30	(36)	S089C	FOOD PREPARATION TECHNICIAN	<u>5</u>	GRADE C102
31			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	225	

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33 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 34 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the  
 35 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating  
 36 expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - State Operations for the

1 fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2011-2012</u>
5 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$818,528
6 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	286,341
7 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	68,444
9 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,130
10 (C) PROF. FEES	0
11 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
12 (E) DATA PROC.	0
13 (04) AID TO COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE	
14 OFFICES	<u>283,500</u>
15 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,460,943</u>

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17 SECTION 3. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS' HOME DIVISION - STATE. There is  
 18 hereby authorized, for the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home -  
 19 State for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-  
 20 time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 21 appropriated herein for such purposes: seven (7) temporary or part-time  
 22 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 23 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 24 for the appropriate classification.

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26 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME DIVISION - STATE. There is  
 27 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable  
 28 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and  
 29 operating expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home  
 30 Division - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the following:

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32 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2011-2012</u>
34 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,624,074
35 (02) EXTRA HELP	31,000
36 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,016,633

1	(04) OVERTIME	18,000
2	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
3	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	590,738
4	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
5	(C) PROF. FEES	64,275
6	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
7	(E) DATA PROC.	0
8	(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>160,801</u>
9	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,510,521</u></u>

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11 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS' HOME - FAYETTEVILLE. There is hereby  
 12 authorized, for the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home  
 13 Fayetteville for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the following maximum number of  
 14 part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from  
 15 funds appropriated herein for such purposes: seven (7) temporary or part-time  
 16 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 17 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 18 for the appropriate classification.

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20 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME - FAYETTEVILLE. There is  
 21 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable  
 22 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief  
 23 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of  
 24 the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home - Fayetteville for the  
 25 fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the following:

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27	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2011-2012</u>
29	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,031,572
30	(02) EXTRA HELP	40,000
31	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,153,572
32	(04) OVERTIME	40,000
33	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
34	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,107,027
35	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,250
36	(C) PROF. FEES	200,000

1	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
2	(E) DATA PROC.	0
3	(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>475,000</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,052,421</u></u>

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6 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERIES - STATE. There is

7 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable

8 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and

9 operating expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans'

10 Cemeteries - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	NO.	2011-2012
13	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$339,180
14	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	131,732
15	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
16	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	106,150
17	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
18	(C) PROF. FEES	0
19	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
20	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$577,062</u></u>

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24 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERIES - CASH. There is

25 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable

26 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief

27 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of

28 Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Cemeteries - Cash for the fiscal year ending

29 June 30, 2012, the following:

30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	NO.	2011-2012
32	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$10,000
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
35	(C) PROF. FEES	0

1	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	130,000
2	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$145,000</u></u>

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5 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME - CASH. There is hereby  
 6 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the  
 7 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal  
 8 Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Veterans'  
 9 Affairs - Veterans' Home - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the  
 10 following:

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12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2011-2012</u>
14	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$150,000
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
17	(C) PROF. FEES	0
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19	(E) DATA PROC.	0
20	(02) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>142,245</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$292,245</u></u>

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23 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE VETERANS' CEMETERY -  
 24 BIRDEYE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans'  
 25 Affairs, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief  
 26 Fiscal Officer of the State, for construction expenses associated with  
 27 establishing an Arkansas State Veterans' Cemetery in Cross County by the  
 28 Department of Veterans' Affairs - Arkansas State Veterans' Cemetery - Birdeye  
 29 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the following:

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31	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2011-2012</u>
33	(01) CONSTRUCTION	<u><u>\$7,139,250</u></u>

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35 SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 36 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRAINING

1 CONFERENCES. The funds appropriated herein for Aid to County Veterans'  
2 Service Offices may also be used by the Department of Veterans' Affairs to  
3 pay expenses of County Veterans' Service Officers for attending regional or  
4 statewide training conferences approved by the Department of Veterans'  
5 Affairs and designed to provide better trained and qualified Veterans'  
6 Service Officers in the various counties. Any such expenses paid by the  
7 Department of Veterans' Affairs from funds appropriated herein shall be on  
8 the same reimbursement basis as the reimbursement of state employees for  
9 expenses incurred in attending their official business. Provided, no County  
10 Veterans' Service Officer shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for  
11 expenses incurred in attending more than two (2) approved conferences per  
12 year.

13 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2010~~  
14 2011 through June 30, ~~2011~~ 2012.

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16 SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
17 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. LIABILITY  
18 INSURANCE APPROPRIATION RESTRICTION. In no event shall the Department of  
19 Veterans' Affairs expend or transfer any appropriation or funds for the  
20 purchase of malpractice liability insurance for the benefit of a non-  
21 governmental entity.

22 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2010~~  
23 2011 through June 30, ~~2011~~ 2012.

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25 SECTION 13. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
26 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
27 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
28 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
29 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
30 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
31 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
32 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
33 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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35 SECTION 14. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
36 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations

1 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
2 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
3 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
4 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
5 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
6 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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8 SECTION 15. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
9 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
10 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
11 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2011 is essential to the operation of  
12 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
13 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
14 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2011 could work irreparable harm  
15 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
16 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
17 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
18 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2011.  
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