

1 State of Arkansas  
2 89th General Assembly  
3 Fiscal Session, 2014

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 1

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5 By: Senate Efficiency

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE FOR  
10 THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE  
15 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2014-2015 FISCAL  
16 YEAR.

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - STAFF SERVICES. There is hereby  
22 established for the Arkansas Senate for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, the  
23 following maximum number of regular employees.

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25			Maximum	Salary Rate
26	Item		No. of	Fiscal Year
27	No.	Title	Employees	2014-2015
28	(1)	DIRECTOR OF THE SENATE/SEC OF SENATE	1	GRADE N918
29	(2)	CHIEF COUNSEL	1	GRADE N915
30	(3)	DEPUTY DIRECTOR/ASST SEC OF SENATE	1	GRADE N911
31	(4)	PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE N908
32	(5)	FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE C128
33	(6)	CONSTITUENT SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
34	(7)	ASSISTANT FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE C125
35	(8)	ASSISTANT INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE C125
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1	(9)	CONSTITUENT ADVISOR	2	GRADE C125
2	(10)	LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST	1	GRADE C124
3	(11)	ADMIN ASST/RECEPTIONIST	3	GRADE C123
4	(12)	PROPERTIES OFFICER	<u>1</u>	GRADE C119
5		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	15	

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7 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas  
 8 Senate for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-  
 9 time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 10 appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary or part-time  
 11 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 12 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 13 for the appropriate classification.

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15 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STAFF SERVICES. There is hereby  
 16 appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the State Central  
 17 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 18 Senate-Staff Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the  
 19 following:

21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
23	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,963,896
24	(02) EXTRA HELP	25,000
25	(03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	549,891
26	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	<u>175,000</u>
27	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,713,787</u></u>

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29 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - ORIENTATION. There is hereby appropriated,  
 30 to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the Constitutional Officers Fund,  
 31 for expenses of the State Orientation including the payment of per diem and  
 32 mileage of members of the Arkansas Senate who attend the Senate Orientation  
 33 program held prior to the convening of a Legislative Session of the General  
 34 Assembly, the sum of.....\$15,000.

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36 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - REAPPROPRIATION - CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

1 FUND. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable  
2 from the Constitutional Officers Fund, for the balance remaining on June 30,  
3 2014 in the appropriations enacted to defray the necessary expenses of the  
4 Arkansas Senate of the Eighty-Ninth General Assembly, Section 3 of Act 3 of  
5 2013, Sections 4 and 5 of Act 1316 of 2013, there to be used for the same  
6 purpose for the Arkansas Senate of the Eighty-Ninth General Assembly, in a  
7 sum in the aggregate not to exceed.....\$2,400,000.

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9 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - REAPPROPRIATION - STATE CENTRAL SERVICES  
10 FUND. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable  
11 from the State Central Services Fund, for the balance remaining on June 30,  
12 2014 in the appropriations enacted to defray the necessary expenses of the  
13 Arkansas Senate of the Eighty-Ninth General Assembly, Sections 3, 6, 7 and 8  
14 of Act 1316 of 2013, there to be used for the same purposes for the Arkansas  
15 Senate of the Eighty-Ninth General Assembly, in a sum in the aggregate not to  
16 exceed .....\$2,400,000.

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18 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - COMPUTERIZATION. There is hereby  
19 appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the State Central  
20 Services Fund, for expenses necessary in continuing the computerization of  
21 the legislative process in the Arkansas Senate, the sum of.....\$700,000.

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23 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS. There is  
24 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the State  
25 Central Services Fund, for construction, improvements, renovations and  
26 equipping of the Arkansas Senate facilities and other purposes of the  
27 Arkansas Senate, the sum of.....\$700,000.

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29 SECTION 9. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
30 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
31 TRANSFERS. If the Senate Efficiency Committee and the Secretary of the  
32 Senate, subject to the approval of the Arkansas Senate, should determine that  
33 any item or portion thereof appropriated herein for a specific purpose is not  
34 needed for such purpose, the Secretary of the Senate may certify such fact to  
35 the State Auditor and the State Auditor shall cause a transfer to be made  
36 from one item to another.

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SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SALARIES. In order that exceptionally well-qualified personnel may be recruited and retained, the Senate may exceed the maximum salary levels by no more than twenty percent (20%) for no more than one-third (1/3) of the positions authorized in their operation appropriation act, and may exceed the maximum salary levels for the purpose of merit adjustments for all positions.

SECTION 11. 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 12. 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 13. 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, 2014 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2014 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental

1 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
2 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
3 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2014.

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