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Act 890 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas *As Engrossed: S2/17/15 S3/26/15*

2 90th General Assembly

# A Bill

3 Regular Session, 2015

SENATE BILL 207

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES

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AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE

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DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016;

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AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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## Subtitle

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AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE

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DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2015-

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2016 FISCAL YEAR.

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

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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established

23 for the Arkansas Agriculture Department for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the

24 following maximum number of regular employees.

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Maximum Annual

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Salary Rate

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Item Class

No. of

Fiscal Year

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No. Code Title

Employees

2015-2016

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(1) U048U ARLPC DIRECTOR

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\$117,287

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(2) U072U SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

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\$116,859

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(3) U057U DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE

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\$109,332

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(4) U023U DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF AQUACULTURE

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\$109,020

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(5) U003U STATE FORESTER

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\$108,864

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(6) U044U PLANT BOARD DIRECTOR

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\$106,014

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(7) N045N DIRECTOR OF POULTRY DISEASES

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GRADE N909



1	(8)	N056N	AGRI COORDINATOR OF LABORATORY	1	GRADE N908
2	(9)	N058N	DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ARLPC	1	GRADE N908
3	(10)	B004N	STATE VETERINARIAN	1	GRADE N908
4	(11)	B006N	ARLPC BOARD CERTIFIED PATHOLOGIST	2	GRADE N907
5	(12)	G017C	PLANT BOARD ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N906
6	(13)	N095N	ARKANSAS BUREAU OF STANDARDS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N904
7	(14)	B010N	VETERINARY VIROLOGIST	2	GRADE N904
8	(15)		<i>VETERINARY TOXICOLOGIST</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>GRADE N904</i>
9	(16)	A010N	AGRICULTURE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE N903
10	(17)	B016N	LAND SURVEY STATE SURVEYOR	1	GRADE N901
11	(18)	B001C	DEPUTY STATE FORESTER	1	GRADE C130
12	(19)	B002C	AGRI DIRECTOR OF MARKETING	1	GRADE C129
13	(20)	B010C	AGRI DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE C127
14	(21)	B014C	ASST STATE FORESTER	2	GRADE C126
15	(22)	R006C	HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE C126
16	(23)	B022C	DISTRICT FORESTER	8	GRADE C124
17	(24)	B029C	AGRI PLANT BOARD DIVISION MGR	4	GRADE C123
18	(25)	B128C	METROLOGY LABORATORY MANAGER	1	GRADE C123
19	(26)	B037C	CHEMIST SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE C122
20	(27)	B034C	MICROBIOLOGIST SUPERVISOR	5	GRADE C122
21	(28)	A050C	AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
22	(29)	S005C	AVIATION MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
23	(30)	G109C	GRANTS MANAGER	2	GRADE C121
24	(31)	D052C	SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C121
25	(32)	B038C	STATE FOREST MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
26	(33)	X058C	AGRI COMMODITY AREA SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE C120
27	(34)	B049C	AGRI PROGRAM MANAGER	21	GRADE C120
28	(35)	D057C	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER	1	GRADE C120
29	(36)	P013C	PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C120
30	(37)	D056C	SYSTEMS COORDINATION ANALYST	1	GRADE C120
31	(38)	B062C	FOREST HEALTH SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C119
32	(39)	D061C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORD SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C119
33	(40)	B058C	STAFF FORESTER	3	GRADE C119
34	(41)	B072C	AGRI PROGRAM COORDINATOR	7	GRADE C118
35	(42)	R024C	ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	GRADE C118
36	(43)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	4	GRADE C118

1	(44)	A074C	FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118
2	(45)	A073C	PROGRAM/FIELD AUDITOR SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118
3	(46)	A082C	ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE C117
4	(47)	X109C	AFC INVESTIGATOR	3	GRADE C117
5	(48)	X111C	AREA LIVESTOCK INSPECTOR SUPV	5	GRADE C117
6	(49)	C015C	ARLPC ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C117
7	(50)	B081C	CHEMIST	15	GRADE C117
8	(51)	B080C	FORESTER	36	GRADE C117
9	(52)	B078C	METROLOGIST	2	GRADE C117
10	(53)	B077C	MICROBIOLOGIST	10	GRADE C117
11	(54)	X097C	PLANT BOARD AGRICULTURE SPECIALIST	34	GRADE C117
12	(55)	E040C	STAFF DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C117
13	(56)	X132C	AGRI COMMODITY COMPLIANCE INSPECTOR	4	GRADE C116
14	(57)	V014C	BUYER	4	GRADE C116
15	(58)	D076C	COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C116
16	(59)	B088C	COUNTY FOREST RANGER	61	GRADE C116
17	(60)	X118C	PLANT BOARD INSPECTOR SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C116
18	(61)	A084C	PROGRAM/FIELD AUDIT SPECIALIST	3	GRADE C116
19	(62)	P027C	PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C116
20	(63)	X114C	SR AGRI COMMODITY COMPLIANCE INSPECTOR	3	GRADE C116
21	(64)	E046C	TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	1	GRADE C116
22	(65)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
23	(66)	X149C	AGRI COMMODITY COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST	11	GRADE C115
24	(67)	X148C	AIRCRAFT PILOT	4	GRADE C115
25	(68)	X146C	ARLPC INSPECTOR/INVESTIGATOR	7	GRADE C115
26	(69)	S036C	AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE C115
27	(70)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
28	(71)	D078C	GIS TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE C115
29	(72)	R032C	HUMAN RESOURCES PROGRAM REP	1	GRADE C115
30	(73)	X162C	AGRI COMMODITY GRADER II	22	GRADE C114
31	(74)	S040C	CALIBRATION TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE C114
32	(75)	X157C	EIA INSPECTOR	3	GRADE C114
33	(76)	B098C	FOREST RANGER II	118	GRADE C114
34	(77)	B097C	NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM SPECIALIST	3	GRADE C114
35	(78)	B096C	SENIOR SEED ANALYST	5	GRADE C114
36	(79)	D081C	TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST	8	GRADE C114

1	(80)	X165C	LIVESTOCK INSPECTOR	28	GRADE C113
2	(81)	B101C	NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM TECHNICIAN	3	GRADE C113
3	(82)	X164C	PLANT BOARD INSPECTOR	24	GRADE C113
4	(83)	C057C	ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C112
5	(84)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	14	GRADE C112
6	(85)	S053C	AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC	5	GRADE C112
7	(86)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C112
8	(87)	C054C	LOCAL OFFICE ADMIN SPECIALIST	10	GRADE C112
9	(88)	B104C	SEED ANALYST	3	GRADE C112
10	(89)	B111C	LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE C110
11	(90)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	19	GRADE C109
12	(91)	C070C	DUPLICATION ASSISTANT	1	GRADE C109
13	(92)	C087C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	<u>1</u>	GRADE C106
14			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	592	

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16 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas  
 17 Agriculture Department for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum  
 18 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",  
 19 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one hundred  
 20 seventy-one (171) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of  
 21 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and  
 22 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate  
 23 classification.

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25 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 26 to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Department of  
 27 Agriculture Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 28 Arkansas Agriculture Department - Operations for the fiscal year ending June  
 29 30, 2016, the following:

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31	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
33	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$10,469,106
34	(02) EXTRA HELP	74,131
35	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,708,761
36	(04) OVERTIME	16,571

1	(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	5,200
2	(06) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
3	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,838,252
4	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	56,113
5	(C) PROF. FEES	328,500
6	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
7	(E) DATA PROC.	0
8	(07) PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	6,148
9	(08) BOLL WEEVIL PROGRAM	30,000
10	(09) BUFFALO GNAT CONTROL PROGRAM	<u>8,000</u>
11	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$17,540,782</u>

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13 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - OPERATIONS. There  
 14 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable  
 15 from the Livestock and Poultry Fund Account, for operating expenses of the  
 16 Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission -  
 17 Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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19	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
20	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
21	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
22	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$77,131
23	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
24	(C) PROF. FEES	0
25	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
26	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
27	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$77,131</u>

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29 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - ANIMAL DISEASE  
 30 CONTROL AND ERADICATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
 31 Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry  
 32 Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund, for personal services and operating  
 33 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry  
 34 Commission - Animal Disease Control and Eradication Program for the fiscal  
 35 year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
3	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$589,634
4	(02) EXTRA HELP	55,000
5	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	218,665
6	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	255,592
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
9	(C) PROF. FEES	0
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	20,000
11	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,138,891</u></u>

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## 14 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - EGG GRADING PROGRAM.

15 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 16 payable from the Poultry and Egg Grading Fund, for personal services and  
 17 operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and  
 18 Poultry Commission - Egg Grading Program for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
 19 2016, the following:

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21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
23	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,622,391
24	(02) EXTRA HELP	67,500
25	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	685,189
26	(04) OVERTIME	300,000
27	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
28	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	230,902
29	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	18,350
30	(C) PROF. FEES	0
31	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000
32	(E) DATA PROC.	0
33	(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	887,968
34	(07) EGG PROMOTION EXPENSE	<u>64,500</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,926,800</u></u>

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1 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SWAMP FEVER TESTING  
 2 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 3 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue  
 4 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 5 Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Swamp Fever  
 6 Testing Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

8	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
9	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
10	(01) EXTRA HELP	\$14,500
11	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,199
12	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
13	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	250,000
14	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
15	(C) PROF. FEES	0
16	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	60,000
17	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
18	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$325,699</u></u>

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 20 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SMALL ANIMAL TESTING  
 21 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 22 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue  
 23 Fund, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -  
 24 Livestock and Poultry Commission - Small Animal Testing Program for the  
 25 fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

27	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
29	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$300,000
31	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
32	(C) PROF. FEES	0
33	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000
34	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$350,000</u></u>

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1 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - LARGE ANIMALS &  
 2 POULTRY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 3 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue  
 4 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 5 Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Large Animals and  
 6 Poultry for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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8 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
9 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
10 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$121,087
11 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	41,782
12 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
13 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,058,077
14 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000
15 (C) PROF. FEES	0
16 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	200,000
17 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
18 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,445,946</u></u>

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20 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - BRAND REGISTRY.  
 21 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 22 payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue Fund, for maintenance  
 23 of the Brand Registry Book by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock  
 24 and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the  
 25 following:

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27 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
29 (01) BRAND REGISTRY	<u><u>\$6,000</u></u>

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31 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - INDEMNITIES -  
 32 REVOLVING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 33 Department, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, for payment  
 34 of authorized indemnities by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock  
 35 and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the  
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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) INDEMNITIES	<u>\$45,000</u>

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - POULTRY INDEMNITIES - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Agriculture Department, for payment of poultry indemnities by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) POULTRY INDEMNITIES	<u>\$10,000</u>

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SWINE TESTING PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Commission Swine Testing Fund, for the purpose of funding the Pseudorabies Control and Eradication Program of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) SWINE TESTING PROGRAM	<u>\$1,500</u>

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SHOW PREMIUMS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for show premiums, refunds, and reimbursements of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>

1	(01)	ARSHS RODEO ASSOCIATION	\$20,000
2	(02)	COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	360,000
3	(03)	DISTRICT JR LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	28,430
4	(04)	DISTRICT LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	144,000
5	(05)	FOUR STATES LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	24,000
6	(06)	STATE LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	120,000
7	(07)	REFUNDS/REIMBURSE 4H CLUBS	20,000
8	(08)	REFUNDS/REIMBURSE FFA CLUBS	20,000
9	(09)	REFUNDS/REIMBURSE MISS AR RODEO	<u>350</u>
10		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$736,780</u></u>

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12 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - EQUINE INFECTIOUS  
 13 ANEMIA. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 14 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Equine Infectious  
 15 Anemia Control Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 16 Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Equine  
 17 Infectious Anemia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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19	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
20	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
21	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$101,247
22	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	43,476
23	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	200,000
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
26	(C) PROF. FEES	0
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
28	(E) DATA PROC.	0
29	(04) EDUCATIONAL GRANTS	<u>30,000</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$474,723</u></u>

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32 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - ANIMAL HEALTH.  
 33 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 34 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of  
 35 the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 36 Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Animal Health for

1 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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3	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
5	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$296,640
6	(02) EXTRA HELP	8,311
7	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	105,954
8	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
9	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	118,111
10	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,350
11	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
12	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
13	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$534,366</u></u>

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15 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS AND AID. There is hereby  
 16 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the  
 17 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
 18 personal services, operating expenses and assistance to eligible agricultural  
 19 producers by the Arkansas Agriculture Department for the fiscal year ending  
 20 June 30, 2016, the following:

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22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
24	(01) AQUACULTURE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	<u><u>\$56,000</u></u>

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26 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - ADMINISTRATION/PEST CONTROL.  
 27 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 28 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating  
 29 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board -  
 30 Administration/Pest Control for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the  
 31 following:

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33	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
35	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,675,174
36	(02) EXTRA HELP	183,616

1	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,317,254
2	(04) OVERTIME	9,000
3	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,331,613
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	83,613
6	(C) PROF. FEES	244,510
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	435,000
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(06) CONSTRUCTION	1,000,000
10	(07) PEST ERADICATION	<u>1,000,000</u>
11	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$9,279,780</u></u>

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## 13 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PUBLIC GRAIN WAREHOUSE

14 INSPECTION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas  
 15 Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for personal  
 16 services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -  
 17 State Plant Board - Public Grain Warehouse Inspection Program for the fiscal  
 18 year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
22	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$148,899
23	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	54,452
24	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
25	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	67,935
26	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,613
27	(C) PROF. FEES	1,200
28	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
29	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$277,099</u></u>

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## 32 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PESTICIDE SURVEILLANCE.

33 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 34 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating  
 35 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board -  
 36 Pesticide Surveillance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the

1 following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
5 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$157,885
6 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	56,521
7 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	52,066
9 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
10 (C) PROF. FEES	0
11 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
12 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
13 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$272,472</u></u>

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15 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - APIARY. There is hereby  
 16 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the  
 17 Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 18 Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board - Apiary for the fiscal  
 19 year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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21 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
23 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$111,541
24 (02) EXTRA HELP	7,500
25 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	41,428
26 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
27 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	51,085
28 (C) PROF. FEES	0
29 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
30 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
31 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$211,554</u></u>

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33 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PRODUCT MARKETING PROGRAM.  
 34 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 35 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of  
 36 the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -

1 State Plant Board - Product Marketing Program for the fiscal year ending June  
2 30, 2016, the following:

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4	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
6	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$147,000
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
9	(C) PROF. FEES	150,000
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11	(E) DATA PROC.	0
12	(02) PRODUCT MARKETING GRANTS & AID	200,000
13	(03) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>97,059</u>
14	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$600,059</u></u>

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16 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - REFUNDS/TRANSFERS. There is  
17 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable  
18 from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas  
19 Agriculture Department, for operating expenses, refunds and transfers to the  
20 State Treasury by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board for  
21 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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23	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
24	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
25	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
26	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$500
27	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
28	(C) PROF. FEES	0
29	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
30	(E) DATA PROC.	0
31	(02) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>6,765,100</u>
32	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,765,600</u></u>

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34 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PESTICIDE/PLANT REGULATORY  
35 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
36 Department, to be payable from the Abandoned Agricultural Pesticide and Plant

1 Regulator Disposal Trust Fund, for operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 2 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board - Pesticide/Plant Regulatory  
 3 Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

4	5 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
6	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
7	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,500,000
9	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
10	(C) PROF. FEES	0
11	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
12	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
13	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,500,000</u></u>

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15 SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - U OF A AGRICULTURE  
 16 SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 17 Department, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for  
 18 internships and scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas  
 19 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June  
 20 30, 2016, the following:

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22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
24	(01) GRANT TO THE UNIV OF ARK-DIV. OF	
25	AGRICULTURE FOR INTERNSHIPS &	
26	SCHOLARSHIPS	<u><u>\$5,000</u></u>

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28 SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - ASU AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIPS.  
 29 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 30 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for internships and  
 31 scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas Agriculture  
 32 Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the  
 33 following:

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35	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
36	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>

1 (01) GRANT TO THE ARK ST UNIV COLLEGE OF  
 2 AGRICULTURE FOR INTERNSHIPS &  
 3 SCHOLARSHIPS \$5,000

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 5 SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - AR TECH AGRICULTURE  
 6 SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 7 Department, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for  
 8 internships and scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas  
 9 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June  
 10 30, 2016, the following:

12 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
14 (01) GRANT TO THE ARK TECH UNIV	
15 AGRICULTURE DEPT FOR	
16 INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>\$5,000</u>

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 18 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - SAU AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIPS.  
 19 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 20 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for internships and  
 21 scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas Agriculture  
 22 Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the  
 23 following:

25 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
27 (01) GRANT TO THE SAU AGRICULTURE DEPT FOR	
28 INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>\$5,000</u>

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 30 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 31 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the  
 32 State Forestry Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 33 Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Operations for  
 34 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

36 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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1	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
2	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$5,578,464
3	(02) EXTRA HELP	85,855
4	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,075,008
5	(04) OVERTIME	52,400
6	(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	55,000
7	(06) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	4,317,681
9	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
10	(C) PROF. FEES	325,000
11	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	560,000
12	(E) DATA PROC.	0
13	(07) FORESTRY GRANTS AND AID - FIREBOAT SCHOOL	15,000
14	(08) FEDERAL INITIATIVE PROGRAM	<u>138,512</u>
15	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$13,202,920</u>

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17 SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - RURAL COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION  
 18 - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 19 Department, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief  
 20 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and  
 21 federal matching grants to purchase firefighting equipment by the Arkansas  
 22 Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Rural Community Fire  
 23 Protection for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
27	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$81,565
28	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	28,864
29	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	366,566
31	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
32	(C) PROF. FEES	30,000
33	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	330,000
34	(E) DATA PROC.	0
35	(04) RURAL COMMUNITY MATCH GRANTS	<u>364,710</u>
36	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,201,705</u>

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SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - URBAN FORESTRY SERVICES - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the State Forestry Fund, for personal services, operating expenses and urban forestry matching grants of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Urban Forestry Services - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$68,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	5,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) URBAN FORESTRY MATCHING GRANTS	<u>127,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$200,000</u></u>

SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - RURAL FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE LOANS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Rural Fire Protection Revolving Fund, for loans to communities for fire protection by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Rural Fire Protection Service Loans for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) RURAL FIRE PROTECTION LOANS	<u><u>\$1,200,000</u></u>

SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - STATE FORESTRY TRUST PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the State Forestry Trust Fund, for management and operating expenses, fire control, communications, contracting for assistance, and other services of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - State Forestry Trust Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the

1 following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
5 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$200,000
7 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
8 (C) PROF. FEES	100,000
9 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
10 (E) DATA PROC.	0
11 (02) FIRE CONTROL/COMMUNICATE	900,000
12 (03) MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONS	<u>300,000</u>
13 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,500,000</u></u>

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15 SECTION 34. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE PREVENTION.

16 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 17 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of  
 18 the State, for operating expenses and grants by the Arkansas Agriculture  
 19 Department - State Forestry Commission - Southern Pine Beetle Prevention for  
 20 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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22 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
24 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
25 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$100,000
26 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
27 (C) PROF. FEES	0
28 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
29 (E) DATA PROC.	0
30 (02) SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE GRANTS AND AID	<u>650,000</u>
31 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$750,000</u></u>

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33 SECTION 35. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - FOREST LEGACY. There is hereby  
 34 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the  
 35 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
 36 operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry

1 Commission - Forest Legacy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the  
2 following:

3	4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
6	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$6,599
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
9	(C) PROF. FEES	0
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,599</u></u>

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14 SECTION 36. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - SILVICULTURAL NON-POINT PROGRAM.  
15 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
16 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of  
17 the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -  
18 State Forestry Commission - Silvicultural Non-Point Program for the fiscal  
19 year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

20	21 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
23	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$21,800
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
26	(C) PROF. FEES	0
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
28	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$21,800</u></u>

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31 SECTION 37. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF LAND SURVEY. There is hereby  
32 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the  
33 Department of Agriculture Fund Account, for personal services and operating  
34 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Division of Land Survey for  
35 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
3	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$205,280
4	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	67,436
5	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	61,986
7	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,350
8	(C) PROF. FEES	107,000
9	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
10	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
11	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$446,052</u></u>

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13         *SECTION 38. APPROPRIATION - AGRICULTURE CASH OPERATING FUND. There is*  
 14 *hereby appropriated to the Arkansas Agriculture Department to be payable from*  
 15 *the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief*  
 16 *Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas*  
 17 *Agriculture Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the*  
 18 *following:*

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20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
22	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$50,000
24	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
25	(C) PROF. FEES	0
26	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
27	(E) DATA PROC.	0
28	(02) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>10,000</u>
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$60,000</u></u>

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31         SECTION 39. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. BUFFALO  
 33 GNAT CONTROL PROGRAM. The Appropriation authorized for the Buffalo Gnat  
 34 Control Program in Item (09) of Section 3 of this Act, shall be expended only  
 35 for the control of buffalo gnats where needed as determined by the Department  
 36 of Agriculture.

1 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
2 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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4 SECTION 40. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
5 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXPENSE  
6 REIMBURSEMENT. Funds appropriated in Item (07), (08) and (09) of Section 14  
7 of this act shall be used to pay expenses necessary for members of high  
8 school 4H clubs, high school FFA clubs and Miss Arkansas Rodeo for expenses  
9 incurred while representing the State of Arkansas at national conferences and  
10 events outside the State. The State 4H Association and the State FFA  
11 Association shall receive funds appropriated for expense reimbursement of  
12 student members but shall be limited to ~~\$50,000~~ \$20,000 each, or so much  
13 thereof that is available. Reimbursement of expenses for Miss Arkansas Rodeo  
14 shall be limited to \$350 per year.

15 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
16 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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18 SECTION 41. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
19 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND  
20 TRANSFER. The Executive Director of the Livestock and Poultry Commission,  
21 with prior approval of the Arkansas Legislative Council or the Joint Budget  
22 Committee, the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and for the  
23 reimbursing of documented expenditures designated by law to be made from the  
24 transferred special revenue, may transfer funds among the Livestock and  
25 Poultry Equine Infectious Anemia Control Fund, Livestock and Poultry  
26 Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund, Livestock and Poultry Special  
27 Revenue Fund, Livestock and Poultry Commission Swine Testing Fund, and the  
28 Poultry and Egg Grading Fund or from these funds to the Livestock and Poultry  
29 Fund Account. The purpose of these transfers shall only be for accurate  
30 allocation of incurred costs between the funds. Requests for fund transfer  
31 will at least include the total amount to be transferred, to and from which  
32 funds, the nature, purpose, and time period of the expenditures being  
33 reimbursed, and any other information requested by the Legislative Council or  
34 the Joint Budget Committee.

35 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of  
36 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year

1 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by  
2 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and  
3 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by  
4 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly  
5 has determined that the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and  
6 Poultry Commission may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is  
7 provided to the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry  
8 Commission authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is  
9 both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight  
10 by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget  
11 Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the  
12 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this  
13 section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint  
14 Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent  
15 jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

16 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
17 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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19 SECTION 42. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
20 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
21 PROVISION - PEST ERADICATION. If the State Plant Board determines that the  
22 demands of pest eradication efforts require additional personnel expenses,  
23 with the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and approval by  
24 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, appropriations may be  
25 transferred from the Pest Eradication Program special line item to the line  
26 items for Regular Salaries, Extra Help, Overtime, and Personal Services  
27 Matching.

28 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of  
29 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year  
30 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by  
31 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and  
32 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by  
33 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly  
34 has determined that the State Plant Board may operate more efficiently if  
35 some flexibility is provided to the State Plant Board authorizing broad  
36 powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate

1 that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of  
2 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this  
3 section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint  
4 Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement  
5 of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled  
6 unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is  
7 void.

8 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
9 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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11 SECTION 43. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
12 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXTRA  
13 HELP PROVISION. No employee of the Arkansas Forestry Commission who is  
14 employed as "Extra Help" may receive an amount to exceed 3/4 of the maximum  
15 annual salary for a comparable position as authorized by Arkansas Code 21-5-  
16 201 et seq. during any fiscal year, nor may such employee be employed for a  
17 period of time to exceed nine (9) months in any single fiscal year.  
18 Provided, however, that no employee of the Arkansas Forestry Commission who  
19 is employed as "Extra Help" may receive an amount to exceed seventy five  
20 percent (75%) of the maximum annual salary for a comparable position as  
21 authorized by Arkansas Code 21-5-201 et seq. during any fiscal year, nor  
22 shall such employee be employed for a period of time to exceed fourteen  
23 hundred (1400) hours in any single fiscal year.

24 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
25 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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27 SECTION 44. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
28 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
29 PROVISION. If the State Forestry Commission determines that temporary  
30 firefighters, dispatchers, or pilots are required to meet the demands of a  
31 wildfire season, and upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,  
32 appropriations may be transferred from either Extra Help or Professional Fees  
33 and Services to the proper character code for the employment of such  
34 personnel.

35 If the State Forestry Commission determines that the deployment of air  
36 tankers for fighting wildfires requires additional Professional Fees and

1 Services, and upon the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,  
2 excess appropriation in Regular Salaries or Personal Services Matching may be  
3 transferred to Professional Fees and Services in Section 3 and 30.

4 If the State Forestry Commission determines that the most effective way for  
5 it to cooperate in the growing and distribution of forest planting stock is  
6 by contracting work with private vendors and/or hiring temporary employees  
7 for seasonal work, the Commission is hereby authorized, upon approval by the  
8 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, to transfer the necessary appropriation  
9 authorized for Extra Help and Maintenance and General Operation in Section 3  
10 and 30.

11 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
12 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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14 SECTION 45. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
15 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REFUND TO  
16 EXPENDITURE. The Arkansas Forestry Commission is authorized to charge fees  
17 to federal agencies and other states to reimburse the Commission for  
18 expenditures made on behalf of these governmental units. These fees shall be  
19 deposited into the State Forestry Fund in the State Treasury as a refund to  
20 expenditure.

21 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
22 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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24 SECTION 46. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
25 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
26 ALLOCATION RESTRICTIONS. The Secretary of the Arkansas Department of  
27 Agriculture shall at no time designate general revenue allocations to the  
28 State Plant Board, the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission and the  
29 Arkansas Forestry Commission at a level less than the revenue distribution  
30 provided in the Official Forecast of state general revenue in effect for each  
31 of those agencies.

32 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
33 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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35 SECTION 47. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
36 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REPORTING

1 REQUIREMENTS. The Arkansas Forestry Commission shall present the following  
2 data each month to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Arkansas  
3 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. This report shall be due by  
4 the 10th day of the month following the reporting period. The first reporting  
5 period shall be July 2012.

6 a) All fund transfers completed by the Arkansas Forestry Commission from  
7 any funding source including federal funds, and shall include a justification  
8 for the completion of the fund transfers.

9 b) All expenditures incurred by the Arkansas Forestry Commission from  
10 any funding source including federal funds, and shall include a justification  
11 for the expenditure of the funds.

12 c) All revenue receipts of the Arkansas Forestry Commission including  
13 but not limited to federal funds, general revenue, severance tax, acreage  
14 tax, timber sales and seedlings sales.

15 d) All Arkansas Forestry Commission activities including but not limited  
16 to, firefighting activities, fire prevention, and emergency response as it  
17 relates to the Commission's statutory mission provided in Arkansas Code 15-  
18 31-101.

19 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~  
20 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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22 *SECTION 48. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS*  
23 *CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.*

24 *PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall establish*  
25 *upon request for the Arkansas Agriculture Department a special Promotional*  
26 *Items appropriation to be used in the acquisition of promotional items.*  
27 *When the Arkansas Agriculture Department wishes to transfer from its*  
28 *operating expenses to the promotional items line, the request shall be*  
29 *forwarded by the Arkansas Agriculture Department to the Chief Fiscal Officer*  
30 *of the State for processing and for prior approval by the Arkansas*  
31 *Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. Determining the maximum*  
32 *number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general*  
33 *revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the*  
34 *General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums*  
35 *in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue*  
36 *allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the*

1 Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that  
2 the Arkansas Agriculture Department may operate more efficiently if some  
3 flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Agriculture Department authorizing  
4 broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and  
5 appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior  
6 approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by  
7 this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or  
8 Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the  
9 requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee  
10 is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire  
11 section is void.

12 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,  
13 2015 through June 30, 2016.

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15 SECTION 49. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
16 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
17 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
18 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
19 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
20 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
21 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
22 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
23 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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25 SECTION 50. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
26 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
27 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
28 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
29 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
30 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
31 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
32 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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34 SECTION 51. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
35 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
36 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the

1 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2015 is essential to the operation of  
2 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
3 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
4 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2015 could work irreparable harm  
5 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
6 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
7 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
8 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2015.

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