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2 90th General Assembly

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3 Regular Session, 2015

SENATE BILL 155

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
10 OF THE COURTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
11 2016; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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AN ACT FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF
16 THE COURTS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2015-
17 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 Administrative Office of the Courts - Operations for the 2015-2016
24 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

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Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2015-2016
(1)	Q004N	AOC DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N914
(2)	Q008N	AOC DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N912
(3)	Q009C	AOC MANAGING ATTORNEY	2	GRADE C129
(4)	Q018C	AOC CASE MANAGEMENT BUSINESS MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
(5)	Q219C	AOC DATA QUALITY MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
(6)	Q014C	AOC DRUG COURT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C128
(7)	Q019C	AOC SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	3	GRADE C128



1	(8)	Q050C	AOC COORDINATOR OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE	1	GRADE C124
2	(9)	Q048C	AOC PROGRAMMER	2	GRADE C124
3	(10)	Q058C	AOC JUDICIAL EDUCATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C123
4	(11)	Q057C	AOC PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE C123
5	(12)	Q069C	AOC CASA COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C122
6	(13)	Q071C	AOC FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE C122
7	(14)	Q070C	AOC REGIONAL FUNCTIONAL SPECIALIST	6	GRADE C122
8	(15)	Q104C	AOC PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	GRADE C121
9	(16)	Q082C	AOC INTERPRETER SC:L	1	GRADE C120
10	(17)	Q081C	AOC SPANISH INTERPRETER	3	GRADE C120
11	(18)	Q088C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C119
12	(19)	Q089C	AOC OFFICE MANAGER	1	GRADE C119
13	(20)	Q102C	AOC JUDICIAL EDUCATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C118
14	(21)	Q105C	AOC RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE C118
15	(22)	Q114C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	2	GRADE C117
16	(23)	Q113C	AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	<u>5</u>	GRADE C117
17			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	40	

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19 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for
 20 the Administrative Office of the Courts - Operations for the 2015-2016 fiscal
 21 year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be
 22 known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such
 23 purposes: two (2) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of
 24 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 25 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 26 classification.

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28 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 29 to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the State
 30 Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 31 Administrative Office of the Courts - Operations for the fiscal year ending
 32 June 30, 2016, the following:

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34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
36	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,178,089

1	(02)	EXTRA HELP	5,000
2	(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	703,609
3	(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	334,265
5	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
6	(C)	PROF. FEES	45,000
7	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	164,500
8	(E)	DATA PROC.	0
9	(05)	FEDERAL GRANTS MATCHING	25,000
10	(06)	JUDICIAL EDUCATION	260,000
11	(07)	COURT INTERPRETER FEES	<u>424,350</u>
12		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,169,813</u></u>

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14 SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION. There is
 15 hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Dispute
 16 Resolution Commission for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum
 17 number of regular employees.

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19				Maximum Annual
20				Salary Rate
21	Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
22	No.	Code	No. of	2015-2016
	Title		Employees	
23	(1)	Q020C	AOC ADR PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1 GRADE C128
24	(2)	Q132C	AOC ADR TRAINING COORDINATOR	1 GRADE C118
25	(3)	Q113C	AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	<u>1</u> GRADE C117
26			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	3

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28 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION - STATE.
 29 There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to
 30 be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services,
 31 operating expenses and grants of the Administrative Office of the Courts -
 32 Dispute Resolution Commission - State for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 33 2016, the following:

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

1	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$131,687
2	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	45,751
3	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	35,514
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
6	(C) PROF. FEES	31,604
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(04) ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION GRANTS	<u>25,000</u>
10	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$284,556</u></u>

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12 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION -
 13 CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the
 14 Courts, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as
 15 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses,
 16 fees and services of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Alternative
 17 Dispute Resolution Commission - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 18 2016, the 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	\$125,000
24	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
25	(C) PROF. FEES	120,000
26	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
27	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
28	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$275,000</u></u>

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30 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - HEARING AND VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS - STATE.
 31 There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to
 32 be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for operating expenses for
 33 reasonable accommodations for persons with hearing and visual impairments to
 34 act as a venire person or juror for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the
 35 following:

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

3	(01) AUXILIARY AIDS-HEARING & VISUAL	
4	IMPAIRMENTS	<u>\$10,000</u>

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6 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - DISTRICT JUDGES CONTINUING EDUCATION -

7 STATE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the

8 Courts, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for operating

9 expenses for a continuing education program for District Judges for the

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

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

14	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$55,000
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
17	(C) PROF. FEES	15,000
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
20	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$80,000</u>

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22 SECTION 9. REGULAR SALARIES - DIVISION OF DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT

23 REPRESENTATION. There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of

24 the Courts - Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation for the 2015-2016

25 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

		Maximum	Annual
		No. of	Salary Rate
		Fiscal Year	
29	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
30	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
31	(1) Q019C AOC SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	2	GRADE C128
32	(2) Q029C AOC AD LITEM ATTORNEY	34	GRADE C127
33	(3) Q191C AOC DATA ANALYST	1	GRADE C120
34	(4) Q113C AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	<u>1</u>	GRADE C117
35	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	38	

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1 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT
 2 REPRESENTATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office
 3 of the Courts, to be transferred from the State Administration of Justice
 4 Fund, and to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal
 5 services and operating expenses of the Administrative Office of the Courts -
 6 Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation for the fiscal year ending June
 7 30, 2016, the following:

9 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
10 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
11 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,606,838
12 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	797,871
13 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
14 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	466,514
15 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
16 (C) PROF. FEES	1,405,816
17 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
18 (E) DATA PROC.	0
19 (04) LOCAL CASA PROGRAM GRANTS	1,500,000
20 (05) PARENT COUNSEL REIMBURSEMENTS	2,500,231
21 (06) ATTORNEY AD LITEM FEES/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>349,750</u>
22 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$9,637,020</u></u>

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 24 SECTION 11. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT AUTOMATION. There is hereby
 25 established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Automation
 26 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular
 27 employees.

30	Maximum	Maximum Annual
31 Item Class	No. of	Salary Rate
32 <u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>
		<u>2015-2016</u>
33 (1) Q012N AOC CIS DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N911
34 (2) N187N CIS DIVISION ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N910
35 (3) Q015N AOC SOFTWARE MANAGER	1	GRADE N909
36 (4) Q062N AOC HARDWARE MANAGER	1	GRADE N907

1	(5)	Q005C	AOC DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE C130
2	(6)	Q017C	AOC CONTEXTE PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
3	(7)	Q016C	AOC PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
4	(8)	Q028C	AOC HELP DESK MANAGER	1	GRADE C127
5	(9)	Q140C	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER LEAD	1	GRADE C127
6	(10)	Q135C	AOC BUSINESS ANALYST	3	GRADE C124
7	(11)	Q136C	AOC INFO SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE C124
8	(12)	Q139C	AOC IT SECURITY ANALYST	1	GRADE C124
9	(13)	Q048C	AOC PROGRAMMER	1	GRADE C124
10	(14)	Q138C	AOC QUALITY ASSURANCE LEAD	1	GRADE C124
11	(15)	Q142C	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER	3	GRADE C124
12	(16)	Q049C	AOC TECHNICAL ANALYST	3	GRADE C124
13	(17)	Q068C	AOC FUNCTIONAL SPECIALIST	6	GRADE C122
14	(18)	Q190C	AOC PROJECT MANAGER	3	GRADE C122
15	(19)	Q137C	AOC QUALITY ASSURANCE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C122
16	(20)	Q134C	AOC TRAINER	2	GRADE C122
17	(21)	Q191C	AOC DATA ANALYST	1	GRADE C120
18	(22)	Q189C	AOC PROJECT ANALYST	2	GRADE C120
19	(23)	Q143C	AOC TRAINING PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE C120
20	(24)	Q101C	AOC WEBSITE DEVELOPER	1	GRADE C118
21	(25)	Q113C	AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	<u>1</u>	GRADE C117
22			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	42	

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24 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - COURT AUTOMATION. There is hereby
 25 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 26 the Judicial Fine Collection Enhancement Fund, for personal services,
 27 operating expenses and other costs associated with the state court automation
 28 system by the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Automation for the
 29 fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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31	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
33	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,254,679
34	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	735,092
35	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,000,000

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000
2	(C) PROF. FEES	50,000
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,000,000
4	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,064,771</u></u>

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 7 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - COURT AUTOMATION - CASH. There is hereby
 8 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 9 the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 10 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses and other costs
 11 associated with the state court automation system by the Administrative
 12 Office of the Courts - Court Automation - Cash for the fiscal year ending
 13 June 30, 2016, the following:

15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
17	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$150,000
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
20	(C) PROF. FEES	0
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
22	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
23	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$150,000</u></u>

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 25 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - DISTRICT JUDGES AND CLERKS CONTINUING
 26 EDUCATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the
 27 Courts, to be payable from the District Court Judge and District Court Clerk
 28 Education Fund, for operating expenses for the purpose of providing
 29 continuing education to District Court Judges and District Court Clerks by
 30 the Administrative Office of the Courts for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 31 2016, the following:

33	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
35	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$100,000

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
2	(C) PROF. FEES	10,000
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
4	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$120,000</u></u>

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 7 SECTION 15. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - FEDERAL.
 8 There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts -
 9 Court Improvement Program for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following
 10 maximum number of regular employees.

11			Maximum Annual
12			Salary Rate
13		Maximum	Fiscal Year
14	Item Class	No. of	2015-2016
15	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	
16	(1) Q047C AOC CIP DATA ANALYST	1	GRADE C124
17	(2) Q056C AOC CIP PROGRAM MANAGER	<u>1</u>	GRADE C123
18	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

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 20 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - FEDERAL. There
 21 is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be
 22 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 23 the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Administrative
 24 Office of the Courts - Court Improvement Program for the fiscal year ending
 25 June 30, 2016, the following:

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27	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
29	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$122,442
30	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	38,561
31	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
32	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	350,000
33	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
34	(C) PROF. FEES	250,000
35	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	150,000
36	(E) DATA PROC.	0

1	(04) COURT TECHNOLOGY GRANTS	<u>200,000</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,141,003</u></u>

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 4 SECTION 17. REGULAR SALARIES - ACCESS AND VISITATION MEDIATION -
 5 FEDERAL. There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the
 6 Courts - Access and Visitation Mediation for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the
 7 following maximum number of regular employees.

9		Maximum Annual
10		Salary Rate
11	Item Class	Fiscal Year
12	No. Code Title	2015-2016
13	(1) Q121C AOC DIRECTOR ACCESS & VISITATION	<u>1</u> GRADE C115
14	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1

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 16 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - ACCESS AND VISITATION MEDIATION - FEDERAL.
 17 There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to
 18 be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer
 19 of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 20 Administrative Office of the Courts - Access and Visitation Mediation for the
 21 fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

23	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
24	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
25	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$31,488
26	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	12,364
27	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
28	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	10,000
29	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
30	(C) PROF. FEES	85,000
31	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
32	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
33	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$138,852</u></u>

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 35 SECTION 19. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT SECURITY GRANTS. There is hereby
 36 established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Security

1 Grants for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular
 2 employees.

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Item	Class	Maximum	Maximum Annual	
No.	Code	No. of	Salary Rate	
			Fiscal Year	
			2015-2016	
8	(1) Q133C	AOC DIR OF SECURITY & EMERGENCY PREP	<u>1</u>	GRADE C125
9		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1	

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11 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - COURT SECURITY GRANTS. There is hereby
 12 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 13 the State Central Services Fund, for personal services, operating expenses
 14 and security grants of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court
 15 Security Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
ITEM	NO.							FISCAL YEAR					
								2015-2016					
19	(01)	REGULAR SALARIES							\$60,205				
20	(02)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING							19,043				
21	(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION											
22	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE							25,000				
23	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL							3,000				
24	(C)	PROF. FEES							5,000				
25	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY							0				
26	(E)	DATA PROC.							0				
27	(04)	SECURITY GRANTS							<u>250,000</u>				
28		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED							<u><u>\$362,248</u></u>				

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30 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY JUROR REIMBURSEMENT. There is
 31 hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be
 32 payable from the County Juror Reimbursement Fund, for reimbursing Arkansas
 33 counties for the costs of jurors by the Administrative Office of the Courts -
 34 County Juror Reimbursement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the
 35 following:

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1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
3	(01) COUNTY JUROR REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$850,000</u>

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 5 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - COURT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM. There is hereby
 6 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 7 the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 8 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Administrative
 9 Office of the Courts - Court Management Program for the fiscal year ending
 10 June 30, 2016, the following:

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12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
14	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$15,000
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
17	(C) PROF. FEES	0
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
20	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$15,000</u>

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 22 SECTION 23. REGULAR SALARIES - STOP DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. There is hereby
 23 established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Stop Domestic
 24 Violence for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number of
 25 regular employees.

26			Maximum Annual
27			Salary Rate
28		Maximum	Fiscal Year
29	Item Class	No. of	2015-2016
30	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	
31	(1) Q019C AOC SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	<u>1</u>	GRADE C128
32	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1	

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 34 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - STOP DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. There is hereby
 35 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 36 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for

1 personal services of the Stop Domestic Violence Research Program of the
 2 Administrative Office of the Courts - Stop Domestic Violence for the fiscal
 3 year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$55,707
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	<u>17,997</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$73,704</u></u>

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11 SECTION 25. REGULAR SALARIES - HOPE GRANT. There is hereby established
 12 for the Administrative Office of the Courts - HOPE Grant for the 2015-2016
 13 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

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Item Class	Maximum	Maximum Annual
No. Code Title	No. of	Salary Rate
<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>
		<u>2015-2016</u>
(1) Q189C AOC PROJECT ANALYST	<u>1</u>	GRADE C120
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1	

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22 SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - HOPE GRANT. There is hereby appropriated,
 23 to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the federal
 24 funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal
 25 services, operating expenses and grants for the Honest Opportunity Probation
 26 with Enforcement Program of the Administrative Office of the Courts - HOPE
 27 Grant for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$41,208
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	14,624
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	0
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	49,420
(C) PROF. FEES	0

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1	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
2	(E) DATA PROC.	0
3	(04) HOPE GRANTS	<u>582,474</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$687,726</u></u>

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 6 SECTION 27. REGULAR SALARIES - YOUTH ADVOCACY. There is hereby
 7 established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Youth Advocacy for
 8 the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

10		Maximum Annual
11		Salary Rate
12	Item Class	Fiscal Year
13	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u> <u>2015-2016</u>
14	(1) P065C DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST	<u>1</u> GRADE C119
15	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1

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 17 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - YOUTH ADVOCACY. There is hereby
 18 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 19 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 20 personal services and operating expenses of the Administrative Office of the
 21 Courts - Youth Advocacy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the
 22 following:

24	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
26	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$35,554
27	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	13,310
28	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
29	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	15,000
30	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	2,500
31	(C) PROF. FEES	20,000
32	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
33	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
34	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$86,364</u></u>

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 36 SECTION 29. REGULAR SALARIES - FOSTER FUTURES TRAINING. There is

1 hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Foster
 2 Futures Training for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number
 3 of regular employees.

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Item	Class		Maximum	No. of	Maximum Annual		
No.	Code	Title		Employees	Salary Rate	Fiscal Year	
						2015-2016	
(1)	E031C	EDUCATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR		<u>1</u>	GRADE C119		
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		1			

12 SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION - FOSTERS FUTURES TRAINING. There is hereby
 13 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 14 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 15 personal services and operating expenses of the Administrative Office of the
 16 Courts - Foster Futures Training for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016,
 17 the following:

19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
ITEM	NO.									FISCAL YEAR
										2015-2016
(01)		REGULAR SALARIES								\$35,554
(02)		PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING								13,310
(03)		MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION								
	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE								15,000
	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL								2,500
	(C)	PROF. FEES								20,000
	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY								0
	(E)	DATA PROC.								<u>0</u>
		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED								<u>\$86,364</u>

31 SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - USDOT CASE MANAGEMENT. There is hereby
 32 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 33 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 34 operating expenses for the US Department of Transportation Case Management
 35 Program of the Administrative Office of the Courts - USDOT Case Management
 36 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$484,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$484,000</u></u>

SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION - COURT INTERPRETERS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses associated with fees from Court Interpreter candidates and interpreter fees ordered by judges 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	\$10,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	15,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$25,000</u></u>

SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - DRUG COURT CAPACITY BUILDING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses and grants of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Drug Court Capacity Building for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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1	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
2	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
3	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$29,900
4	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	95,080
5	(C) PROF. FEES	0
6	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	18,624
7	(E) DATA PROC.	0
8	(02) DRUG COURT GRANTS	<u>301,464</u>
9	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$445,068</u></u>

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11 SECTION 34. APPROPRIATION - VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN COURT TRAINING &
 12 IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of
 13 the Courts, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief
 14 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Administrative
 15 Office of the Courts - Violence Against Women Court Training & Improvement
 16 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
20	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
21	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$37,750
22	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
23	(C) PROF. FEES	12,250
24	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
25	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
26	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$50,000</u></u>

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28 SECTION 35. APPROPRIATION - SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM. There is hereby
 29 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 30 the Specialty Court Program Fund, for costs associated with the Specialty
 31 Court Program and providing assistance and support to the Specialty Court
 32 Advisory Committee for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
36	(01) SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM	<u><u>\$300,000</u></u>

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2 SECTION 36. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
3 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
4 TRANSFER. Federal funds received by the Arkansas State Police from the
5 United States Department of Transportation from safety incentive funds
6 received under 23 USC Section 402 for the "State and Community Highway Safety
7 Program" may be granted to the Administrative Office of the Courts and
8 deposited into the State Central Services Fund to reimburse expenditures by
9 the Administrative Office of the Courts for operating expenses of the
10 Continuing Education Program for District Judges as appropriated in Section 8
11 herein. The appropriation to the Administrative Office of the Courts
12 provided in Section 8 may be expended only in the event that federal funds
13 have been granted and will be transferred from the Arkansas State Police to
14 reimburse the Continuing Education Program for District Judges.

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 37. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
19 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
20 CONTRACTING WITH STATE ATTORNEYS ~~PUBLIC DEFENDERS~~. The Administrative Office
21 of the Courts Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation shall have the
22 authority to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with any qualified
23 attorney who at any time previously served as a State Attorney and was paid
24 by the State as a state employee prior to being appointed to provide
25 representation in the dependency-neglect cases by a Circuit Judge. In
26 addition, the Division shall have the authority to enter into a professional
27 services contract with a qualified person who is serving as a part-time
28 Public Defender or other part-time State Attorney and paid as an employee of
29 the State of Arkansas when the Public Defender or other part-time State
30 Attorney has been appointed to provide Dependency-Neglect Services by a
31 Circuit Judge. The part-time Public Defender or other part-time State
32 Attorney shall be eligible for additional compensation which shall not be
33 construed as exceeding the line item maximum for the grade of that position
34 when the Administrative Office of the Courts reimburses the part-time Public
35 Defender or other part-time State Attorney for Dependency-Neglect
36 Representation services performed. This does not prevent the Administrative

1 Office of the Courts from contracting with any qualified attorney in the
2 state.

3 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~
4 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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6 SECTION 38. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
7 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
8 DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT REPRESENTATION APPROPRIATION TRANSFER AUTHORITY. The
9 Administrative Office of the Courts shall receive approval from the Chief
10 Fiscal Officer of the State and Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget
11 Committee to transfer funds and appropriations between Item Numbers (01),
12 (02), (03) (A) and (C) and (06) of Section 10 herein for the payment of
13 employees and/or contractors providing legal services for the Division of
14 Dependency-Neglect Representation.

15 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of
16 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year
17 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by
18 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and
19 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by
20 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly
21 has determined that the Administrative Office of the Courts may operate more
22 efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Administrative Office of
23 the Courts authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is
24 both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight
25 by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget
26 Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the
27 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this
28 section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint
29 Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent
30 jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

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

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34 SECTION 39. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
35 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
36 AUTHORITY. The Department of Finance and Administration shall transfer

1 funds, from time to time, from the State Administration of Justice Fund to
2 the State Central Services Fund in such amounts as are required to reimburse
3 the State Central Services Fund for a portion of the expenses of the
4 Administrative Office of the Courts - Division of Dependency-Neglect
5 Representation.

6 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~
7 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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9 SECTION 40. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
10 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING.
11 Funds received by the Arkansas State Police from the Department of
12 Transportation from the safety incentive funds received under P.L. 105-178,
13 title I, Section 1404(a), 23 USC Section 163 for "Safety Incentives to
14 Prevent Operation of Motor Vehicles by Intoxicated Persons" may be
15 transferred to the Administrative Office of the Courts as directed by the
16 Arkansas State Police for operating expenses of the District Court State
17 Automation System.

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

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21 SECTION 41. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. MONTHLY
23 INSTALLMENT. From July 1, ~~2014~~ 2015 through June 20, ~~2015~~ 2016, a lump sum
24 monthly installment of at least one-twelfth (1/12) of a portion of the annual
25 appropriation provided for in Section 10 of this Act, or so much thereof as
26 may be made available, shall be provided from the State Administration of
27 Justice Fund to the State Central Services Fund to provide a portion of the
28 funds for that appropriation.

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

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32 SECTION 42. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
33 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. INDIGENT
34 PARENT COUNSEL REPRESENTATION. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall
35 have the authority to use the appropriation provided in Item Number (05)
36 Parent Counsel Reimbursements of Section 10 herein for the purpose of

1 entering into professional service contracts on a full-time or part-time
2 basis with attorneys who are qualified to provide counsel for indigent
3 parents in dependency-neglect cases ~~involving the termination of parental~~
4 ~~rights.~~

5 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~
6 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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8 SECTION 43. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
10 PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
11 State and Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the Agency
12 is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line item authorized in
13 Court Automation Appropriation of the Administrative Office of the Courts in
14 this Act to any other line item authorized in Court Automation Appropriation.

15 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of
16 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year
17 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by
18 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and
19 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by
20 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly
21 has determined that the Administrative Office of the Courts may operate more
22 efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Administrative Office of
23 the Courts authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both
24 necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by
25 requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
26 as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative
27 Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section.
28 If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget
29 Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction,
30 this entire section is void.

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

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34 SECTION 44. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
35 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
36 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and

1 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
2 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
3 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
4 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
5 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
6 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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8 SECTION 45. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
9 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
10 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
11 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
12 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
13 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
14 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
15 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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17 SECTION 46. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
18 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
19 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
20 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2015 is essential to the operation of
21 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
22 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
23 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2015 could work irreparable harm
24 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
25 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
26 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
27 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2015.

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29 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*

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32 **APPROVED: 04/02/2015**