

1 State of Arkansas  
2 92nd General Assembly  
3 Fiscal Session, 2020

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 1

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5 By: Senate Efficiency  
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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 ARKANSAS SENATE FOR  
10 THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE  
15 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL  
16 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 - STAFF SERVICES. There is hereby  
23 established for the Arkansas Senate for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the  
24 following maximum number of regular employees.  
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Item		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Title	No. of	Salary Rate
		Employees	Fiscal Year
			2020-2021
30	(1) DIRECTOR OF THE SENATE/SEC OF SENATE	1	GRADE SE04
31	(2) CHIEF COUNSEL	1	GRADE SE03
32	(3) DEPUTY DIRECTOR/ASST SEC OF SENATE	1	GRADE SE02
33	(4) PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE SE01
34	(5) FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS12
35	(6) CONSTITUENT SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
36	(7) CONSTITUENT ADVISOR	2	GRADE GS11



1	(8)	ASSISTANT INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE GS10
2	(9)	PRODUCTION ASSISTANT	1	GRADE GS10
3	(10)	LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST	1	GRADE GS10
4	(11)	ADMIN ASST/RECEPTIONIST	2	GRADE GS10
5	(12)	PROPERTIES OFFICER	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS09
6		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	14	

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8 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - STAFF SERVICES. There is hereby authorized,  
9 for the Arkansas Senate for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the following maximum  
10 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",  
11 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary  
12 or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those  
13 provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its  
14 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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16 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STAFF SERVICES. There is hereby  
17 appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the State Central  
18 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
19 Senate - Staff Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, the  
20 following:

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22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
24	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,963,896
25	(02) EXTRA HELP	50,000
26	(03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	549,891
27	(04) MAINT. & GEN OPERATION	<u>175,000</u>
28	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,738,787</u></u>

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

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1 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - REAPPROPRIATION - CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS  
 2 FUND. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable  
 3 from the Constitutional Officers Fund, for the balance remaining on June 30,  
 4 2020 in the appropriations, Section 3 of Act 1 of 2019, Sections 4 and 5 of  
 5 Act 146 of 2019 there to be used for any purpose to defray the necessary  
 6 expenses of the Arkansas Senate of the Ninety-Second General Assembly, in a  
 7 sum in the aggregate not to exceed ..... \$3,500,000.

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 9 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - REAPPROPRIATION - STATE CENTRAL SERVICES  
 10 FUND. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable  
 11 from the State Central Services Fund, and payable from the balance remaining  
 12 on June 30, 2020 in the appropriations, Sections 3, 6, 7 and 8 of Act 146 of  
 13 2019 there to be used for any purpose to defray the necessary expenses of the  
 14 Arkansas Senate of the Ninety-Second General Assembly, in a sum in the  
 15 aggregate not to exceed ..... \$3,500,000.

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

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

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

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

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 9 SECTION 11. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
 10 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
 11 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
 12 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
 13 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
 14 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
 15 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
 16 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
 17 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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 28 SECTION 13. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
 29 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
 30 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
 31 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2020 is essential to the operation of  
 32 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
 33 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
 34 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2020 could work irreparable harm  
 35 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
 36 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act

1 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
2 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2020.

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