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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1178

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 DEPARTMENT OF
10 AGRICULTURE - ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
11 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022; AND FOR
12 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
16 - ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
17 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL
18 YEAR.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
25 Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission for the
26 2021-2022 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 2021-2022
32	(1)	U043U NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
33	(2)	D040C GIS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT06
34	(3)	G052N NATURAL RESOURCES DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
35	(4)	B005C AGRI WATER DEVELOPMENT DIVISION MGR	1	GRADE GS13
36	(5)	B004C AGRI WATER RESOURCES DIVISION MGR	1	GRADE GS13



1	(6)	B015C ENGINEER SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE GS12
2	(7)	B023C ENGINEER, P.E.	9	GRADE GS11
3	(8)	B035C GEOLOGY SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS09
4	(9)	B041C STATE CLIMATOLOGIST	1	GRADE GS09
5	(10)	B055C ECOLOGIST COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
6	(11)	G126C FINANCE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
7	(12)	B043C PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST	2	GRADE GS08
8	(13)	A041C PROGRAM FISCAL MANAGER	2	GRADE GS08
9	(14)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE GS07
10	(15)	R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
11	(16)	B065C ECOLOGIST	1	GRADE GS07
12	(17)	G147C GRANTS COORDINATOR	3	GRADE GS07
13	(18)	B060C LAND RESOURCE SPECIALIST SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS07
14	(19)	G145C RURAL CONST GRANT/FINANCIAL OFFICER	8	GRADE GS07
15	(20)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
16	(21)	B147C AGRI PROGRAM SPECIALIST	13	GRADE GS06
17	(22)	G180C GRANTS ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
18	(23)	A093C STATISTICIAN	1	GRADE GS06
19	(24)	X129C CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR	1	GRADE GS05
20	(25)	B093C LAND RESOURCE SPECIALIST	3	GRADE GS05
21	(26)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<u>7</u>	GRADE GS04
22		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	68	

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24 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department
 25 of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission for the 2021-2022
 26 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary
 27 employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated
 28 herein for such purposes: eight (8) temporary or part-time employees, when
 29 needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform
 30 Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the
 31 appropriate classification.

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33 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 34 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 35 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating
 36 expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources

1 Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
5 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,304,699
6 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	416,536
7 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	193,182
9 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,165
10 (C) PROF. FEES	0
11 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
12 (E) DATA PROC.	0
13 (04) CONSERVATION DISTRICT EXPENSE	939,990
14 (05) SURVEYS & INVESTIGATIONS	3,900
15 (06) WATER PLANNING	130,981
16 (07) RESEARCH PROJECT	<u>1,882</u>
17 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,001,335</u></u>

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19 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION - CASH. There
 20 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from
 21 the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 22 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of
 23 the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Cash
 24 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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26 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
28 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$863,182
29 (02) EXTRA HELP	30,800
30 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	302,827
31 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
32 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	377,298
33 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	27,000
34 (C) PROF. FEES	910,002
35 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	225,000
36 (E) DATA PROC.	0

1	(05) SOIL & WATER GRANTS & LOANS	<u>6,202,017</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$8,938,126</u></u>

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 4 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - DAM INVENTORY. There is hereby
 5 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 6 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 7 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture -
 8 Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Dam Inventory for the fiscal year
 9 ending June 30, 2022, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
13	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$62,531
14	(02) EXTRA HELP	10,000
15	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	20,703
16	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
17	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	49,216
18	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	17,000
19	(C) PROF. FEES	80,000
20	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	10,000
21	(E) DATA PROC.	0
22	(05) GRANTS & AID DAM - SAFETY PROJECTS	<u>76,997</u>
23	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$326,447</u></u>

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 25 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM. There is hereby
 26 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 27 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 28 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture -
 29 Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Flood Insurance Program for the
 30 fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
34	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$148,373
35	(02) EXTRA HELP	10,000
36	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	51,425

1	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	268,504
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	32,571
4	(C) PROF. FEES	1,700,000
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	25,000
6	(E) DATA PROC.	0
7	(05) GRANTS & AID - FLOOD HAZARD	
8	MITIGATION GRANTS	<u>997,075</u>
9	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$3,232,948</u>

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11 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - WATER QUALITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION. There is
 12 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 13 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating
 14 expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources
 15 Commission - Water Quality Plan Implementation for the fiscal year ending
 16 June 30, 2022, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
20	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$285,492
21	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	87,861
22	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	3,089
24	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	1,000
25	(C) PROF. FEES	0
26	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
27	(E) DATA PROC.	0
28	(04) WATER QUALITY MATCH GRANTS	762,000
29	(05) WATER QUALITY TECHNICIAN	<u>750,000</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,889,442</u>

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32 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - WATER, WASTE DISPOSAL, AND POLLUTION
 33 ABATEMENT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
 34 Agriculture, to be payable from the Water, Waste Disposal, Pollution
 35 Abatement, Administrative and Research Facilities Construction Fund, for
 36 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture -

1 Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Water, Waste Disposal, and Pollution
 2 Abatement Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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4	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
6	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$170,169
7	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	61,094
8	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
9	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	4,400
10	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
11	(C) PROF. FEES	0
12	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
13	(E) DATA PROC.	0
14	(04) PROJECT DISBURSEMENTS	<u>90,000,000</u>
15	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$90,235,663</u>

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17 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM.

18 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 19 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 20 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of
 21 Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Nonpoint Source
 22 Pollution Control Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the
 23 following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
27	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$282,133
28	(02) EXTRA HELP	25,000
29	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	100,032
30	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	282,774
32	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	50,000
33	(C) PROF. FEES	706,630
34	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000
35	(E) DATA PROC.	0
36	(05) NON POINT SOURCE POLLUTION GRANTS	5,642,276

1	(06) HYPOXIA NUTRIENT REDUCTION	<u>200,000</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,338,845</u></u>

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 4 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE REVOLVING LOAN FUND
 5 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to
 6 be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer
 7 of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department
 8 of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Construction
 9 Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 10 2022, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	NO.	2021-2022
13	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$619,082
14	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	233,888
15	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
16	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	111,841
17	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	12,219
18	(C) PROF. FEES	13,500
19	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
20	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$990,530</u></u>

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 24 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - BEAVER ERADICATION PROGRAM. There is
 25 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 26 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for grants to the conservation districts
 27 for beaver control programs within the districts of the Department of
 28 Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Beaver Eradication
 29 Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	NO.	2021-2022
32	(01) GRANTS FOR BEAVER CONTROL PROGRAMS	<u>\$150,000</u>

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 35 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS & ATTORNEY SERVICES. There is
 36 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the

Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Grants and Attorney Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
(01) RIVER BASIN COMPACT	\$42,820
(02) LEGAL COUNSEL	5,871
(03) COMMITTEE/COMMISSION EXPENSES	10,000
(04) CONSERVATION PROJECTS	3,500
(05) ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT	17,800
(06) RED RIVER COMPACT	<u>11,720</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$91,711</u></u>

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - RURAL FIRE PROTECTION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Rural Fire Protection Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
(01) RURAL FIRE PROTECTION PROGRAM	<u><u>\$50,000</u></u>

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - CONSERVATION DISTRICT PROGRAM GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for grants to conservation districts of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Conservation District Program Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
(01) GRANTS TO CONSERVATION DISTRICTS	<u><u>\$250,000</u></u>

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - WATER RESEARCH. There is hereby

1 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
2 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for operating expenses of the Department
3 of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Water Research for
4 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
(01) WATER RESEARCH/CONTRACT	<u>\$42,800</u>

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10 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - CONSERVATION DISTRICT EMPLOYEES INSURANCE.

11 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
12 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services matching
13 of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission -
14 Conservation District Employees Insurance for the fiscal year ending June 30,
15 2022, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
(01) MEDICAL INSURANCE MATCHING	<u>\$432,000</u>

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21 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - WATER, SEWER, AND SOLID WASTE - REVOLVING.

22 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
23 from the Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Revolving Fund, for water, sewer, and
24 solid waste grants of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural
25 Resources Commission - Water, Sewer, and Solid Waste - Revolving for the
26 fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
(01) WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE GRANTS & AID	<u>\$6,000,000</u>

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33 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - WATER, SEWER, AND SOLID WASTE - STATE.

34 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
35 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for water, sewer, and solid
36 waste grants or loans that will be repaid to the Water, Sewer, and Solid

1 Waste - Revolving appropriation of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas
 2 Natural Resources Commission - Water, Sewer, and Solid Waste - State for the
 3 fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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5 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
6 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
7 (01) WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE GRANTS	<u>\$84,296</u>

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9 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - OUACHITA RIVER WATERWAYS PROJECTS. There
 10 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from
 11 the Ouachita River Waterways Project Trust Fund, for project expenses of the
 12 Ouachita River Waterways Project of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas
 13 Natural Resources Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the
 14 following:

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16 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
17 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
18 (01) OUACHITA RIVER WATERWAYS PROJECTS	<u>\$57,675</u>

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20 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - WATER USE PROGRAM. There is hereby
 21 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 22 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 23 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture -
 24 Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Water Use Program for the fiscal year
 25 ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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27 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
29 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$13,023
30 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,022
31 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
32 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	58,985
33 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
34 (C) PROF. FEES	50,000
35 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
36 (E) DATA PROC.	0

1	(04) WATER USE DATA REPORTING	<u>125,000</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$250,030</u></u>

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4 SECTION 21. REGULAR SALARIES - CONSERVATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

5 There is hereby established for the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas

6 Natural Resources Commission - Conservation Technical Assistance for the

7 2021-2022 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

10	Item Class	Maximum	Maximum Annual
11	No. Code Title	No. of	Salary Rate
12		Employees	Fiscal Year
			2021-2022
13	(1) B072C AGRI PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
14	(2) X054C ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM COORDINATOR	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS07
15	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	3	

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17 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - CONSERVATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. There

18 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, 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 Department of Agriculture -

21 Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Conservation Technical Assistance for

22 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

24	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25	NO.	2021-2022
26	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$122,308
27	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	41,888
28	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
29	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	120,246
30	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
31	(C) PROF. FEES	0
32	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	40,000
33	(E) DATA PROC.	0
34	(04) RESOURCE GRANTS	<u>906,637</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,231,079</u></u>

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SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - FERAL HOG ERADICATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the Feral Hog Eradication Fund, for expenses associated with the eradication efforts to eliminate feral hogs of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
(01) FERAL HOG ERADICATION	<u>\$3,000,000</u>

SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - UNPAVED ROADS PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the Arkansas Unpaved Roads Program Fund, for grants or operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Unpaved Roads Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
(01) UNPAVED ROADS GRANTS & AID OR OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$300,000</u>

SECTION 25. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER PROVISION. At the end of each fiscal year, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall authorize the transfer of obligated water, sewer, and solid waste funds, as provided in the appropriation act for the Natural Resources Commission in the appropriation entitled "Water, Sewer and Solid Waste - State", from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, to the Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Revolving Fund.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~ 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

SECTION 26. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD. At the end of each fiscal year, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall authorize the carry forward of funds to support the amount of

1 obligated grants that are certified by the Natural Resources Commission for
2 Matching Grants in the appropriation entitled "Water Quality Plan
3 Implementation".

4 Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may
5 be carried forward under the following conditions:

6 (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022 the Agency shall by written statement set
7 forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the
8 Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;

9 (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall
10 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the
11 September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting
12 which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or
13 Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward from the first
14 fiscal year to the second fiscal year, the program name or line item, the
15 funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set
16 forth in (1) above;

17 (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written
18 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
19 containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written
20 statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for
21 which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30)
22 days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents
23 its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget
24 Committee; and

25 (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include
26 all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a
27 statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

28 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
29 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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31 SECTION 27. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY
33 FORWARD. At the end of the fiscal year, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
34 State shall authorize the carry forward of funds to support the amount of
35 obligated grants that are certified by the Natural Resources Commission for
36 Water Quality Technicians in the appropriation entitled "Water Quality Plan

1 Implementation".

2 Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may
3 be carried forward under the following conditions:

4 (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022 the Agency shall by written statement set
5 forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the
6 Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;

7 (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall
8 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the
9 September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting
10 which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or
11 Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward from the first
12 fiscal year to the second fiscal year, the program name or line item, the
13 funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set
14 forth in (1) above;

15 (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written
16 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
17 containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written
18 statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for
19 which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30)
20 days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents
21 its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget
22 Committee; and

23 (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include
24 all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a
25 statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

26 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
27 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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

1 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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12 SECTION 30. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
13 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
14 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
15 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2021 is essential to the operation of
16 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
17 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
18 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2021 could work irreparable harm
19 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
20 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
21 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
22 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2021.

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