

State of Arkansas

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95th General Assembly

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Regular Session, 2025

HOUSE BILL 1232

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE
MILITARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE
MILITARY APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026
FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established
for the Department of the Military for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the
following maximum number of regular employees.

Item	Class	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	SC011 SECRETARY OF THE MILITARY	1	GRADE SE05
(2)	U132U ARK DEPUTY ADJUTANT GENERAL	1	GRADE SE03
(3)	N253N DOM CHIEF OF STAFF	1	GRADE SE02
(4)	L038C REGISTERED NURSE	1	GRADE MP01
(5)	D022N IT SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	2	GRADE IT09
(6)	D040C GIS ANALYST	5	GRADE IT06
(7)	D039C NETWORK SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE IT06



1	(8)	D022C SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT06
2	(9)	D052C SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
3	(10)	D058C COMPUTER OPERATIONS COORDINATOR	2	GRADE IT04
4	(11)	D082C NETWORK ANALYST	2	GRADE IT04
5	(12)	D064C WEBSITE DEVELOPER	1	GRADE IT04
6	(13)	D071C COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	2	GRADE IT03
7	(14)	G319C DOM CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS14
8	(15)	R055C DOM CHIEF OF HUMAN RESOURCES	1	GRADE GS13
9	(16)	A023N MILITARY CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS13
10	(17)	R006C HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS12
11	(18)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
12	(19)	A141C MILITARY FEDERAL BUDGET MANAGER	1	GRADE GS11
13	(20)	V036C AGENCY PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS10
14	(21)	S111C ASSET MAINTENANCE MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
15	(22)	T125C DOM CHIEF OF POLICE	2	GRADE GS10
16	(23)	R056C DOM SENIOR BUDGET ANALYST	1	GRADE GS10
17	(24)	X013C ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
18	(25)	M097C MILITARY YOUTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM DIR	1	GRADE GS10
19	(26)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
20	(27)	A050C AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
21	(28)	S112C ITAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
22	(29)	M009C LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER	1	GRADE GS09
23	(30)	S113C LRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
24	(31)	R050C MILITARY ASSISTANT HR ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS09
25	(32)	M096C MILITARY YOUTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
26	(33)	X038C QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
27	(34)	X225C SECURITY SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
28	(35)	A082C ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE GS08
29	(36)	B067C ARCHAEOLOGIST	1	GRADE GS08
30	(37)	R021C BUDGET ANALYST	1	GRADE GS08
31	(38)	B024C CONSERVATION PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
32	(39)	B055C ECOLOGIST COORDINATOR	3	GRADE GS08
33	(40)	E026C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
34	(41)	S004C MAINTENANCE MANAGER	4	GRADE GS08
35	(42)	P014C MUSEUM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
36	(43)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	3	GRADE GS07

1	(44)	B082C BIOLOGIST	2	GRADE GS07
2	(45)	B054C CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
3	(46)	B065C ECOLOGIST	5	GRADE GS07
4	(47)	E048C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION SPECIALIST	5	GRADE GS07
5	(48)	G148C ENERGY PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
6	(49)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
7	(50)	B080C FORESTER	1	GRADE GS07
8	(51)	S017C MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR	4	GRADE GS07
9	(52)	T043C MILITARY DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF	2	GRADE GS07
10	(53)	T036C MILITARY FACILITIES SUPERVISOR	8	GRADE GS07
11	(54)	P013C PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
12	(55)	T124C PUBLIC SAFETY POLICE OFFICER SUPERVISOR	4	GRADE GS07
13	(56)	E040C STAFF DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS07
14	(57)	T111C TRAINING SUPPORT CENTER MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
15	(58)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	9	GRADE GS06
16	(59)	R027C BUDGET SPECIALIST	3	GRADE GS06
17	(60)	G172C CAREER PLANNING & PLAC COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS06
18	(61)	E044C CERTIFIED BACHELORS TEACHER	4	GRADE GS06
19	(62)	S024C CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE COORD	6	GRADE GS06
20	(63)	E037C EDUCATION PROGRAM SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
21	(64)	R030C EEO/GRIEVANCE OFFICER	1	GRADE GS06
22	(65)	T068C FIRE DESK OPERATOR	9	GRADE GS06
23	(66)	R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
24	(67)	B086C LAND MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
25	(68)	L069C LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE	1	GRADE GS06
26	(69)	S033C MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE GS06
27	(70)	T049C MILITARY FIREFIGHTER SHIFT LEADER	11	GRADE GS06
28	(71)	B148C MILITARY NATURAL RESOURCE PROG COORD	1	GRADE GS06
29	(72)	G166C MILITARY PROGRAM COORDINATOR	10	GRADE GS06
30	(73)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
31	(74)	T123C PUBLIC SAFETY POLICE OFFICER	13	GRADE GS06
32	(75)	S114C RTLA COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS06
33	(76)	X226C SECURITY SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
34	(77)	S022C SKILLED TRADES SUPERVISOR	10	GRADE GS06
35	(78)	D074C TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS06
36	(79)	S021C WATER FILTER/WASTE DISPOSAL PLNT SUPV	1	GRADE GS06

1	(80) M101C YOUTH PROGRAM TRAINING OFFICER II	5	GRADE GS06
2	(81) A088C ASSETS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS05
3	(82) S025C BUILDING AND GROUNDS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS05
4	(83) V014C BUYER	3	GRADE GS05
5	(84) G215C CAREER PLANNING & PLACEMENT SPEC	4	GRADE GS05
6	(85) T064C CIVIL AIR PATROL SVCS COORD	1	GRADE GS05
7	(86) T122C DOM SECURITY OFFICER	40	GRADE GS05
8	(87) B090C ENGINEER TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE GS05
9	(88) A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	4	GRADE GS05
10	(89) R032C HUMAN RESOURCES PROGRAM REP	2	GRADE GS05
11	(90) C054C LOCAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05
12	(91) M056C MILITARY HOUSING MANAGER	1	GRADE GS05
13	(92) A090C PAYROLL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05
14	(93) S069C RADIO DISPATCH OPERATOR	12	GRADE GS05
15	(94) T060C SENIOR MILITARY FIREFIGHTER	25	GRADE GS05
16	(95) S031C SKILLED TRADESMAN	33	GRADE GS05
17	(96) S038C TRANSIT OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS05
18	(97) V018C WAREHOUSE MANAGER	3	GRADE GS05
19	(98) S030C WATER FILTER/WASTE DISPOSAL PLNT OPER	1	GRADE GS05
20	(99) M060C YOUTH PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS05
21	(100) M102C YOUTH PROGRAM TRAINING OFFICER I	28	GRADE GS05
22	(101) C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	9	GRADE GS04
23	(102) S040C CALIBRATION TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE GS04
24	(103) S110C CUSTODIAN PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS04
25	(104) V020C INVENTORY CONTROL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS04
26	(105) S047C LANDSCAPE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS04
27	(106) S046C MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	35	GRADE GS04
28	(107) T066C MILITARY FIREFIGHTER	43	GRADE GS04
29	(108) P048C MULTI-MEDIA SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS04
30	(109) X152C REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS04
31	(110) T072C SECURITY OFFICER SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS04
32	(111) V025C WAREHOUSE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
33	(112) C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	4	GRADE GS03
34	(113) S109C CUSTODIAN PROFESSIONAL	27	GRADE GS03
35	(114) C070C DUPLICATION ASSISTANT	1	GRADE GS03
36	(115) V027C INVENTORY CONTROL TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE GS03

1	(116)	S050C MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST	5	GRADE GS03
2	(117)	C087C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	1	GRADE GS02
3	(118)	S060C HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR	7	GRADE GS02
4	(119)	S084C INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS02
5	(120)	S087C INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES ASSISTANT	2	GRADE GS01
6	(121)	S065C MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	4	GRADE GS01
7	(122)	D029C SENIOR GIS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT07
8	(123)	B045C BIOLOGIST SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS09
9	(124)	X054C ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS07
10	(125)	S098C CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS06
11		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	458	

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13 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department
 14 of the Military for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number
 15 of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable
 16 from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one hundred twenty-seven
 17 (127) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to
 18 exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or
 19 its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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21 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - GENERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 22 appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from the
 23 Department of the Military Fund Account, for personal services and operating
 24 expenses of the Department of the Military for the fiscal year ending June
 25 30, 2026, the following:

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27	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
29	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,561,053
30	(02) EXTRA HELP	56,500
31	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,332,041
32	(04) OVERTIME	100
33	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
34	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	3,370,314
35	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000
36	(C) PROF. FEES	100,000

1	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	225,000
2	(E) DATA PROC.	0
3	(06) CIVIL AIR PATROL PERSONAL SERVICES	
4	AND OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>75,000</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$8,745,008</u></u>

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7 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - MILITARY CALL-UP AND COURT MARTIAL. There

8 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from

9 the Department of the Military Fund Account, for emergency Military Call-Up

10 and Military Court Marital Expenses for the Department of the Military for

11 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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13	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
15	(01) EMERGENCY CALL UP	\$2,500,000
16	(02) COURT MARTIAL EXPENSES	<u>20,000</u>
17	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,520,000</u></u>

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19 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - NATIONAL GUARD MUSEUM. There is hereby

20 appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from the

21 Department of the Military Fund Account, for personal services and operating

22 expenses of the Department of the Military - National Guard Museum for the

23 fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
27	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$107,004
28	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	40,815
29	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	18,014
31	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	1,163
32	(C) PROF. FEES	0
33	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
34	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$166,996</u></u>

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SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - FORT CHAFFEE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of the Military - Fort Chaffee for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$4,195,557
(02) EXTRA HELP	159,408
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,828,979
(04) OVERTIME	125,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	25,025,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
(C) PROF. FEES	4,000,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	4,000,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$39,363,944</u>

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL TRAINING SITE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of the Military - Federal Training Site Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$12,169,594
(02) EXTRA HELP	720,928
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	5,233,532
(04) OVERTIME	300,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	28,800,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	100,000

1	(C) PROF. FEES	5,000,000
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	3,000,000
3	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>

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5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$55,324,054</u></u>
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7 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - CASH OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 8 appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from the cash
 9 fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal
 10 Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of the
 11 Military for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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13	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>

15 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION

16	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$337,810
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17	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	7,500
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18	(C) PROF. FEES	20,500
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19	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	320,000
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20	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
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21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$685,810</u></u>
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23 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - COUNTER DRUG ASSET FORFEITURE PROGRAM -
 24 CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be
 25 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by
 26 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for counter drug program expenses of
 27 the Department of the Military for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 28 following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>

32	(01) COUNTER DRUG ASSET FORFEITURE	<u><u>\$160,311</u></u>
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34 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - MILITARY SUPPORT REVOLVING. There is
 35 hereby appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from
 36 the Military Support Revolving Fund, for vehicle insurance, supplies,

1 rations, fuel, personnel services, allowances, equipment leases, various
 2 active duty status, operational support and related operating expenses of the
 3 Department of the Military for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 4 following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) NON-EMERGENCY CALL-UP EXPENSES	<u>\$219,632</u>

10 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - MILITARY FAMILY RELIEF TRUST FUND. There
 11 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from
 12 the Military Family Relief Trust Fund, for Military Family Relief Grant
 13 Program of the Department of the Military - Military Family Relief Trust Fund
 14 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) MILITARY FAMILY RELIEF GRANT PROGRAM	<u>\$72,757</u>

20 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - FT. CHAFFEE READINESS CENTER. There is
 21 hereby appropriated, to the Department of the Military, to be payable from
 22 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 23 construction expenses of the Department of the Military - Ft. Chaffee
 24 Readiness Center for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) CONSTRUCTION	<u>\$3,135,470</u>

30 SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 31 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
 32 GENERALS SALARY. The line item maximums for the State of Arkansas Adjutant
 33 General and Deputy Adjutant General are based on the salary grid by the
 34 United States Department of Defense. Incumbents in these positions shall be
 35 compensated in accordance with the Department of Defense Advisory Service Pay
 36 Plan and are not guaranteed placement at the maximum level. The line item

1 maximum salaries may be adjusted on July 1 of each fiscal year to incorporate
2 salary rate changes that have been implemented by the U.S. Department of
3 Defense.

4 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
5 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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7 SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
8 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

9 PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The State Military Department is hereby authorized to
10 transfer appropriation from Operating Expenses to Promotional Items in the
11 General Operations Appropriation and/or Cash Operations Appropriation
12 provided by this Act in an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars
13 (\$10,000) each fiscal year, as authorized by the Director of State Resources,
14 and with the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

15 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
16 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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18 SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
19 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
20 CARRY FORWARD OF FUNDS.

21 (a) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall cause to be transferred
22 on his or her books and those of the State Treasurer and Auditor of State the
23 balance of funds remaining in the Department of Military Fund Account on June
24 30, ~~2025~~ 2026 into a sub-fund created within the Department of Military Fund
25 to be used exclusively for construction, maintenance and operating expenses
26 or for future construction projects of the State Military Department.

27 (b) Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized
28 herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

29 (1) The Office of Budget of the Department of Finance and
30 Administration shall report to the Legislative Council all amounts carried
31 forward by the September meeting of the Legislative Council or the Joint
32 Budget Committee meeting which report shall include the name of the agency,
33 board, commission, or institution and the amount of funding carried forward,
34 the program name or line item and the funding source; and

35 (2) The State Military Department shall provide a written report
36 to the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee containing all

1 information set forth in subdivision (b)(1) of this section no later than
2 thirty (30) days prior to the time the Department presents its budget request
3 to the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, or both; and

4 (3) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall
5 include all information obtained in subdivision (b)(2) of this section in the
6 budget manuals.

7 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July
8 1, ~~2024~~ 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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

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20 SECTION 17. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
21 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
22 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
23 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
24 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
25 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
26 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
27 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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29 SECTION 18. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
30 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
31 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
32 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2025 is essential to the operation of
33 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
34 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
35 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2025 could work irreparable harm
36 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental

1 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
2 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
3 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2025.

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5 */s/Joint Budget Committee*
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