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HOUSE BILL 1176

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 PUBLIC
SAFETY - DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
SAFETY - DIVISION OF EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-
2026 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management for the 2025-
2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

				Maximum Annual
				Salary Rate
				Fiscal Year
Item	Class		No. of	
No.	Code	Title	Employees	2025-2026
(1)	U013U	ADEM DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	D043C	ADEM INFO TECHNOLOGY DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE IT08
(3)	D014C	STATE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE IT08
(4)	D122C	IT PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE IT07



1	(5)	D016C SENIOR TECHNOLOGY ANALYST	1	GRADE IT06
2	(6)	D068C INFORMATION SYSTEMS ANALYST	2	GRADE IT04
3	(7)	D065C NETWORK SUPPORT ANALYST	4	GRADE IT04
4	(8)	D084C COMPUTER OPERATOR	1	GRADE IT02
5	(9)	G350C ADEM SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS13
6	(10)	G055C ADEM DEPUTY DIRECTOR	2	GRADE GS12
7	(11)	A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
8	(12)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
9	(13)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
10	(14)	G109C GRANTS MANAGER	3	GRADE GS09
11	(15)	P004C PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
12	(16)	G140C ADEM PROGRAM MANAGER	8	GRADE GS08
13	(17)	E026C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS08
14	(18)	V002C FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY MANAGER	2	GRADE GS08
15	(19)	R014C PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
16	(20)	V004C PROCUREMENT MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
17	(21)	G157C ADEM AREA COORDINATOR	7	GRADE GS07
18	(22)	R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
19	(23)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
20	(24)	A075C FINANCIAL ANALYST I	1	GRADE GS07
21	(25)	G147C GRANTS COORDINATOR	6	GRADE GS07
22	(26)	A063C RESEARCH & STATISTICS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS07
23	(27)	G175C ADEM PROGRAM COORDINATOR	8	GRADE GS06
24	(28)	C120C ADEM SR EMERGENCY MGMT DUTY OFFICER	8	GRADE GS06
25	(29)	R027C BUDGET SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
26	(30)	G208C EMERGENCY PLANNER	5	GRADE GS06
27	(31)	G180C GRANTS ANALYST	4	GRADE GS06
28	(32)	G214C GRANTS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
29	(33)	G204C PLANNING SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS06
30	(34)	T061C SENIOR IA	1	GRADE GS06
31	(35)	D074C TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
32	(36)	E046C TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	1	GRADE GS06
33	(37)	C038C ADEM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DUTY OFFICER	1	GRADE GS05
34	(38)	S025C BUILDING AND GROUNDS COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS05
35	(39)	V014C BUYER	1	GRADE GS05
36	(40)	A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	5	GRADE GS05

1	(41)	S034C INTERSTATE TRUCK DRIVER	3	GRADE GS05
2	(42)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	5	GRADE GS04
3	(43)	T079C FACILITY MANAGER II	1	GRADE GS04
4	(44)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	3	GRADE GS04
5	(45)	V021C SURPLUS PROPERTY AGENT	3	GRADE GS04
6	(46)	V019C SURPLUS PROPERTY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
7	(47)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	1	GRADE GS03
8	(48)	S050C MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS03
9		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	112	

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11 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department
 12 of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management for the 2025-2026 fiscal
 13 year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be
 14 known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such
 15 purposes: twenty-eight (28) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at
 16 rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 17 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 18 classification.

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20 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 21 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the
 22 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating
 23 expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency
 24 Management - State Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 25 following:

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27	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
29	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,773,772
30	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,103,636
31	(03) OVERTIME	10,000
32	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	490,306
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
35	(C) PROF. FEES	0
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,377,714</u></u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and First Responder and Homeland Security Grants and Aid of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Federal Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$538,725
(02) EXTRA HELP	156,438
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	226,507
(04) OVERTIME	5,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,155,207
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	100,000
(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(06) GRANTS / AID - FIRST RESPONDER & HOMELAND SECURITY	<u>10,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$12,281,877</u></u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - DISASTER RELIEF GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and Disaster Relief Grants and Aid of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Disaster Relief Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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

1	(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$536,763
2	(02)	EXTRA HELP	625,751
3	(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	305,243
4	(04)	OVERTIME	175,000
5	(05)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6		(A) OPER. EXPENSE	120,850
7		(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
8		(C) PROF. FEES	234,500
9		(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
10		(E) DATA PROC.	0
11	(06)	GRANTS/AID DISASTER RELIEF	<u>436,491,222</u>
12		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$438,519,329</u>

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14 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. There is hereby
 15 appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the
 16 Office of Hazardous Materials Emergency Management Revolving Fund, for
 17 personal services, operating expenses and Hazardous Materials Management
 18 Grants and Aid of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency
 19 Management - Hazardous Materials for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026,
 20 the following:

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22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	NO.	2025-2026
24	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$176,152
25	(02) EXTRA HELP	32,176
26	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	79,014
27	(04) OVERTIME	5,000
28	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
29	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	280,438
30	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	82,792
31	(C) PROF. FEES	25,000
32	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
33	(E) DATA PROC.	0
34	(06) GRANTS/AID - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS	
35	MANAGEMENT	<u>10,000</u>
36	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$690,572

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - DISASTER RELIEF TRUST. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the Arkansas Disaster Relief Program Trust Fund, for assistance to victims of state or federally declared disasters of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Disaster Relief Trust for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) GRANTS/AID - DISASTER RELIEF	<u>\$639,365</u>

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, 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 of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Radiological Emergency Response Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$20,500
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	19,500
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$40,000</u>

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, 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 of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Emergency Operations Center - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) EOC EXPENSES	<u>\$207,440</u>

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the Federal Surplus Property Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Federal Surplus Property Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$669,627
(02) EXTRA HELP	6,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	284,197
(04) OVERTIME	30,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,092,031
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
(C) PROF. FEES	15,263
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$2,112,118</u>

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS 911 RURAL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and Enhancement Grants and Aid of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Arkansas 911 Rural Enhancement Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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

1	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$94,061
2	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	30,227
3	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	937,636
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
6	(C) PROF. FEES	0
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(04) ENHANCEMENT GRANTS	<u>2,000,000</u>
10	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,071,924</u></u>

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12 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - IMMEDIATE DISASTER RESPONSE. There is
 13 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety - Division of
 14 Emergency Management, to be payable from the Immediate Disaster Response
 15 Fund, for immediate expenses related to disaster response requests for the
 16 fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
20	(01) IMMEDIATE DISASTER RESPONSE	<u><u>\$200,000</u></u>

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22 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS PUBLIC SAFETY TRUST. There is
 23 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety - Division of
 24 Emergency Management, to be payable from the Arkansas Public Safety Trust
 25 Fund, for disbursements related to costs that enhance, operate, and maintain
 26 911 services in the State of Arkansas for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 27 2026, the following:

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29	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
30	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
31	(01) REFUNDS/INVESTMENTS/TRANSFERS	<u><u>\$75,000,000</u></u>

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33 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS PUBLIC SAFETY TRUST FUND
 34 ADMINISTRATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public
 35 Safety, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as
 36 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for administrative

expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency
Management - Arkansas Public Safety Trust Fund Administration for the fiscal
year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) ARKANSAS PUBLIC SAFETY TRUST FUND	
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	<u>\$168,000</u>

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS WIRELESS INFORMATION NETWORK -
CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to
be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined
by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for expenses of the Department of
Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Arkansas Wireless
Information Network - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) ARKANSAS WIRELESS INFORMATION NETWORK	
EXPENSES	<u>\$10,000,000</u>

SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS WIRELESS INFORMATION NETWORK.
There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be
payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services
and operating expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of
Emergency Management - Arkansas Wireless Information Network for the fiscal
year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$477,441
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	167,973
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	6,801,925
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000

(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,452,339</u></u>

SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - LEVEE MITIGATION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for expenses related to levee mitigation efforts throughout the State of Arkansas of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Levee Mitigation - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) LEVEE MITIGATION PROGRAM	<u><u>\$3,246</u></u>

SECTION 18. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES. There is hereby established for the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Office of Fire Protection Services 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
No.	Code Title		
(1)	X224C STATE FIRE MARSHALL	1	GRADE GS12
(2)	B021C LICENSED ARCHITECT	1	GRADE GS09
(3)	X227C ADEM FIRE MARSHALL INSPECTOR	2	GRADE GS07
(4)	S024C CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE COORD	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS06
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	5	

SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the Fire Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Office

of Fire Protection Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$261,744
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	131,295
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	29,423
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	150
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) FIRE SERVICES TRANSFER	<u>1,600,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,022,612</u></u>

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Public Safety, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for miscellaneous grants and expenses of the Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management - Fire Protection Services Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) FIRE PROTECTION GRANTS	<u><u>\$30,000</u></u>

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

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2 SECTION 22. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
3 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
4 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
5 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
6 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
7 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
8 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
9 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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11 SECTION 23. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
12 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
13 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
14 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2025 is essential to the operation of
15 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
16 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
17 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2025 could work irreparable harm
18 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
19 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
20 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
21 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2025.
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