1 State of Arkansas **A BillACT 425 OF 1991** 2 **78th General Assembly** HOUSE BILL 1506 3 Regular Session, 1991 By: Representative Hawkins 5 6 For An Act To Be Entitled 7 "AN ACT TO CREATE ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE FIFTEENTH g JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROSECUTING ATTORNEY; AND FOR OTHER 9 PURPOSES." 10 12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 13 14 SECTION 1. Subchapter 20 of Chapter 21 of Title 16 of the Arkansas Code 15 is hereby amended by inserting an additional section at the end thereof to 16 read as follows: "16-21-2007. (a) Effective February 1, 1991, the Prosecuting Attorney 17 18 of the 15th Judicial District shall have the power to appoint the following 19 employees if the prosecutor receives a grant award therefor, without 20 confirmation of any court or tribunal, at such salaries as are indicated 21 below, or as are authorized in grants awarded from the Arkansas Department of 22 Finance and Administration (DFA), Office of Intergovernmental Services (IGS), 23 Arkansas Drug Law Enforcement Program (DLEP): Law Enforcement Project Coordinator 2.4 \$26,000 2.5 Law Enforcement Field Supervisor 22,000 Law Enforcement Undercover Officer 16,500 26 Law Enforcement Undercover Officer 15,125 2.7 14,000 28 Bookkeeper/Secretary Bookkeeper/Secretary 29 11,000 3 0 (b) The positions created in subsection (a) of this section shall be in 31 addition to those created by Arkansas Code Annotated sections 16-21-113 and 32 other Arkansas Code provisions. In the event additional funding becomes 33 available, the Prosecuting Attorney may employ such additional employees and 34 have expense allowances as are authorized in the DFA, IGS, DLEP grant awards. (c) The Prosecuting Attorney for the 15th Judicial District shall 35 36 administer its DLEP grant from DFA, IGS. Expenditures may be made only for

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1 purposes of the grant. All monies from the grant are appropriated on a 2 continuing basis and are subject to Arkansas Code Annotated Section 10-4-209, 3 the Prosecuting Attorney's Financial Management System. All law enforcement 4 agent positions shall have peace officer jurisdiction throughout the Fifteenth 5 Judicial District, and may serve process issuing out of all courts within the 6 state. It is the explicit legislative intent that nothing in this section 7 shall be construed to decrease, supplant or be substituted for employee 8 positions, salaries, or expenses, nor maintenance and operation expenses or 9 capital equipment expenditures which the 15th Judicial District Prosecuting 10 Attorney's Office will receive through quorum court appropriation from and 11 after February 1, 1991." 12 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature 13 14 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code 15 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code. 16 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to 17 18 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect 19 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without 20 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this 21 act are declared to be severable. 22 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are 23 24 hereby repealed. 25 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General 26 27 Assembly that there is an urgent need for additional personnel to fight the 28 war on drugs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this 29 act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, 30 health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage 31 and approval. /s/Bruce Hawkins 32 33 APPROVED: 3-11-91 34

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