

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 82nd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 1999  
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# A Bill

Act 173 of 1999  
HOUSE BILL 1101

5 By: Joint Budget Committee  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS  
11 AFFAIRS FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2001;  
12 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "  
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## Subtitle

14 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS  
15 AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1999-2001  
16 BIENNIUM. "  
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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. There is hereby established for the  
23 Department of Veterans Affairs for the 1999-2001 biennium, the following  
24 maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the  
25 provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code  
26 §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.  
27 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary  
28 is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said  
29 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions  
30 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular  
31 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its  
32 successor.  
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		Maximum Annual
	Maximum	Salary Rate
Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Years

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No.	Code	Title	Employees	1999-2000	2000-2001
(1)	9989	VETERANS DIR DEPT OF VETERAN AFFAIR	1	\$69,436	\$71,380
(2)	751Z	VETERANS AFFAIRS ASSISTANT DIR	1	GRADE 24	
(3)	R266	MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST II	1	GRADE 20	
(4)	R097	CHIEF CLAIMS & APPEALS SECTION	2	GRADE 19	
(5)	R264	MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST I	1	GRADE 18	
(6)	M098	VETERANS CLAIMS SPECIALIST	8	GRADE 18	
(7)	A063	PAYROLL OFFICER	1	GRADE 15	
(8)	K041	EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	3	GRADE 14	
(9)	K153	SECRETARY II	4	GRADE 13	
(10)	K155	SECRETARY I	<u>1</u>	GRADE 11	
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	23		

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable from the State General Services Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Veterans Affairs for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	1999-2000	2000-2001
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 638,856	\$ 656,744
(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	188,986	192,194
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	28,874	28,874
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	2,500	2,500
(C) PROF. FEES	0	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	6,000	3,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
(04) AID TO COUNTY OFFICE	<u>259,500</u>	<u>264,500</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,124,716</u>	<u>\$ 1,147,812</u>

SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - VETERANS HOME DIVISION. There is hereby established for the Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans Home Division for the 1999-2001 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its

1 successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any  
 2 position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in  
 3 dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform Classification  
 4 and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions authorized herein are  
 5 hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and  
 6 Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

				Maximum Annual	
				Maximum	Salary Rate
				No. of	Fiscal Years
Item	Class			Empl o yees	1999-2000 2000-2001
No.	Code	Title			
12	(1) 752Z	VETERANS HOME SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE 24	
13	(2) L078	NURSE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 22	
14	(3) R438	VETERANS HOME ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 22	
15	(4) R266	MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST II	1	GRADE 20	
16	(5) L070	NURSE II	6	GRADE 20	
17	(6) M088	SOCIAL WORKER II	2	GRADE 20	
18	(7) M056	REHAB COUNSELOR III	1	GRADE 19	
19	(8) A111	ACCOUNTANT	1	GRADE 18	
20	(9) G028	BLDG PLANT MAINTENANCE SUPV II	1	GRADE 18	
21	(10) H032	FOOD PRODUCTION MANAGER	1	GRADE 18	
22	(11) G161	GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPAIRMAN	1	GRADE 17	
23	(12) M095	VOLUNTEER PROGRAM DEVELOPER I	1	GRADE 17	
24	(13) A108	ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN II	1	GRADE 15	
25	(14) L115	LPN II/LPTN II	9	GRADE 15	
26	(15) M048	RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	1	GRADE 15	
27	(16) T047	SECURITY OFFICER III	4	GRADE 15	
28	(17) K041	EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	1	GRADE 14	
29	(18) T045	SECURITY OFFICER II	2	GRADE 12	
30	(19) G151	CUSTODIAL SERVICE SHIFT SUPV	1	GRADE 11	
31	(20) L081	NURSING ASST II	18	GRADE 11	
32	(21) H005	BAKER II	1	GRADE 10	
33	(22) H027	COOK II	8	GRADE 10	
34	(23) G165	WORK MAINTENANCE LEADER	2	GRADE 10	
35	(24) H043	FOOD SERVICE WORKER II	4	GRADE 05	
36	(25) G035	CUSTODIAL WRKR II	7	GRADE 04	

1 (26) G075 HOUSEKEEPER 1 GRADE 04  
 2 MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES 79  
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4 SECTION 4. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS HOME DIVISION. There is hereby  
 5 authorized, for the Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans Home Division  
 6 for the 1999-2001 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or  
 7 temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 8 appropriated herein for such purposes: seven (7) temporary or part-time  
 9 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 10 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for  
 11 the appropriate classification.  
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13 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS HOME DIVISION. There is hereby  
 14 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans Home Division,  
 15 to be payable from the State General Services Fund Account, for personal  
 16 services and operating expenses of the Department of Veterans Affairs -  
 17 Veterans Home Division for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the  
 18 following:  
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ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	1999-2000	2000-2001
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 1,675,740	\$ 1,722,661
(02) EXTRA HELP	26,000	26,000
(03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	559,035	567,472
(04) OVERTIME	6,000	6,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	573,630	573,630
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000	5,000
(C) PROF. FEES	58,802	58,802
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 2,904,207</u>	<u>\$ 2,959,565</u>

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 34 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
 35 Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans Home Division, to be payable from  
 36 cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Department of Veterans

Affairs, for refunds of unused fees paid by residents of the Veterans Home of the Department of Veterans Affairs for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	1999-2000	2000-2001
(01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS FOR VETERANS HOME RESIDENTS	\$ <u>2,362,393</u>	\$ <u>2,362,393</u>

SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRAINING CONFERENCES. The funds appropriated herein for Aid to County Veterans Service Offices may also be used by the Department of Veteran Affairs to pay expenses of County Veterans Service Officers for attending regional or statewide training conferences approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs and designed to provide better trained and qualified Veterans Service Officers in the various counties. Any such expenses paid by the Department of Veterans Affairs from funds appropriated herein shall be on the same reimbursement basis as the reimbursement of state employees for expenses incurred in attending their official business. Provided, no County Veterans Service Officer shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for expenses incurred in attending more than two (2) approved conferences per year, per county.

SECTION 8. 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 Purchasing 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.

SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act

1 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
 2 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
 3 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
 4 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint  
 5 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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 7 SECTION 10. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent  
 8 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas  
 9 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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 11 SECTION 11. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or the application  
 12 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall  
 13 not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given  
 14 effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the  
 15 provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

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 17 SECTION 12. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with  
 18 this act are hereby repealed.

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 20 SECTION 13. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
 21 Eighty-second General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas  
 22 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that  
 23 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1999 is essential to the operation of  
 24 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
 25 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
 26 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1999 could work irreparable harm upon the  
 27 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
 28 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
 29 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
 30 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1999.

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 33 APPROVED: 2/19/1999  
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