1 State of Arkansas A Bill 2 Act 23 of 2001 83rd General Assembly HOUSE BILL 1181 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 By: Joint Budget Committee 5 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF 10 11 REGISTRATION OF FORESTERS FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2003; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. 12 13 14 **Subtitle** 15 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF 16 REGISTRATION OF FORESTERS APPROPRIATION 17 18 FOR THE 2001-2003 BI ENNI UM. 19 20 21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 22 23 SECTION 1. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas State Board of Registration of Foresters for the 2001-2003 biennium, the following 24 25 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra 26 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one (1) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed 27 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its 28 29 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification. 30 31 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas 32 State Board of Registration of Foresters, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas State Board of Registration 33 of Foresters, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas 34 35 State Board of Registration of Foresters for the biennial period ending June 36 30, 2003, the following:

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2	ITEM	FISC	AL	YEARS
3	NO.	2001-2002		2002-2003
4	(01) EXTRA HELP	\$ 6, 000	\$	6, 000
5	(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	459		459
6	(O3) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION			
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	4, 012		4, 012
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	2, 014		2, 014
9	(C) PROF. FEES	0		0
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0		0
11	(E) DATA PROC.	 0	_	0
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ 12, 485	\$	12, 485

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- SECTION 3. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED
- 15 SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND BALANCES. (A) For all
- 16 <u>appropriations as provided in this Act, the agency disbursing officer shall</u>
- 17 <u>monitor the level of fund balances in relation to expenditures on a monthly</u>
- 18 <u>basis</u>. If any proposed expenditures would cause a fund balance to decline to
- 19 less than fifty percent (50%) of the balance available on July 1, 2001, the
- 20 <u>disbursing officer shall immediately notify the executive head of the agency.</u>
- 21 Prior to any obligations being made under these circumstances, the agency
- 22 <u>head shall file written documentation with the Chief Fiscal Officer of the</u>
- 23 <u>State requesting approval of the expenditures.</u> Such documentation shall
- 24 provide sufficient financial data to justify the expenditures and shall
- 25 <u>include the following:</u>
- 26 1) a plan that clearly indicates the specific fiscal impact of such
- 27 expenditures on the fund balance.
- 28 2) information clearly indicating and explaining what programs would be cut or
- 29 any other measures to be taken by the agency to restore the fund balance.
- 30 3) the extent to which any of the planned expenditures are for one-time costs
- 31 or one-time purchase of capitalized items.
- 32 4) a statement certifying that the expenditure of fund balances will not
- 33 jeopardize the financial health of the agency, nor result in a permanent
- 34 <u>depletion of the fund balance.</u>
- 35 (B) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall review the request and
- 36 <u>approve or disapprove all or any part of the request, after having sought</u>

prior review by the Legislative Council.

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SECTION 4. EMPLOYMENT OF ATTORNEYS. None of the funds appropriated in this Act for Maintenance and General Operation shall be expended in payment for services of attorneys, unless the agency shall first make a request in writing to the Attorney General of the State of Arkansas to provide the required legal services. The Attorney General's Office shall provide the requested legal services, or, if the Attorney General's Office shall determine that sufficient personnel are not available to provide the requested legal services, the Attorney General shall certify the same to the agency and may authorize the agency to employ legal counsel and to expend monies appropriated for Maintenance and General Operations therefor, if:

- (1) The Attorney General determines, and certifies in writing, that such agency needs the advice or assistance of legal counsel, and
- (2) The Attorney General consents in writing to the employment of the legal counsel to be retained by the agency.

Such certification shall be required with respect to each instance of the employment of special legal counsel, or shall be required annually with respect to legal counsel employed on a retainer basis. A copy of such certification shall be entered in the official minutes of the agency, and shall be retained in the fiscal records of the agency for audit purposes.

SECTION 5. 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 6. 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 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations

1	and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
2	the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
3	testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint
4	Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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6	SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
7	Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
8	appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
9	effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2001 is essential to the operation of the
10	agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the
11	event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date
12	of this Act beyond July 1, 2001 could work irreparable harm upon the proper
13	administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an
14	emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the
15	immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full
16	force and effect from and after July 1, 2001.
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