

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

**Act 1216 of the Regular Session**

*As Engrossed: S3/27/07 S3/28/07*

**A Bill**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 86th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2007

SENATE BILL 75

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

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL  
10 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS  
11 STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD  
12 ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

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16 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STUDENT LOAN  
17 AUTHORITY APPROPRIATION FOR THE  
18 2007-2009 BIENNIUM.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Arkansas  
24 Student Loan Authority for the 2007-2009 biennium, the following maximum  
25 number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the  
26 provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code  
27 §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.  
28 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual  
29 salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of  
30 said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying  
31 positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the  
32 Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101),  
33 or its successor.  
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Maximum Annual



Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Years 2007-2008	Salary Rate Fiscal Years 2008-2009		
1	(1)	9760	DIRECTOR	STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY	1	\$100,311	\$102,316
2	(2)	9301	STUDENT LOAN FINANCE SPECIALIST		1	\$79,406	\$80,994
3	(3)	9100	STUDENT LOAN CHIEF FINANCIAL OFCR		1	\$63,152	\$64,415
4	(4)	A032	AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER		1	GRADE 22	
5	(5)	R490	STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM COORDINATOR		1	GRADE 20	
6	(6)	A077	STUDENT LOAN OFFICER		<u>1</u>	GRADE 18	
7	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES				6		

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Student Loan Authority, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Student Loan Authority, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Student Loan Authority for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 350,343	\$ 357,347
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	96,144	97,562
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	315,932	339,546
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	21,453	22,839
(C) PROF. FEES	7,854,289	9,354,289
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	13,000	18,500
(E) DATA PROC.	100	100
(04) BUILDING/LAND ACQUISITION	3,300,000	3,300,000
(05) GUARANTEE FEES FOR LOANS	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 11,951,461</u>	<u>\$ 13,490,383</u>

SECTION 3. 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

1 requested legal services, or, if the Attorney General's Office shall  
2 determine that sufficient personnel are not available to provide the  
3 requested legal services, the Attorney General shall certify the same to the  
4 agency and may authorize the agency to employ legal counsel and to expend  
5 monies appropriated for Maintenance and General Operations therefor, if:

6 (1) The Attorney General determines, and certifies in writing, that such  
7 agency needs the advice or assistance of legal counsel, and

8 (2) The Attorney General consents in writing to the employment of the  
9 legal counsel to be retained by the agency.

10 Such certification shall be required with respect to each instance of the  
11 employment of special legal counsel, or shall be required annually with  
12 respect to legal counsel employed on a retainer basis. A copy of such  
13 certification shall be entered in the official minutes of the agency, and  
14 shall be retained in the fiscal records of the agency for audit purposes.  
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16 SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized  
17 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds  
18 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the  
19 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
20 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
21 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
22 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
23 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
24 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.  
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26 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
27 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
28 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
29 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
30 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
31 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
32 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
33 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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35 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
36 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the

1 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
2 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of  
3 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
4 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
5 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the  
6 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
7 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
8 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
9 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.

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11 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*

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13 *APPROVED: 4/5/2007*  
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