

**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 481 of the Regular Session**

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

SENATE BILL 254

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL
10 SERVICES, SUBSTITUTE EXPENSES, AND EXPENSE
11 ALLOWANCE OF THE TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATIVE
12 ASSISTANTS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS FOR THE BIENNIAL
13 PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER
14 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 AN ACT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE - TRIAL
19 COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS
20 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2007-2009
21 BIENNIUM.
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS.

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27 There is hereby established for the Trial Court Administrative Assistants of
28 the Circuit Courts for the 2007-2009 biennium, the following maximum number
29 of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of
30 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et
31 seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however,
32 that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein
33 in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform
34 Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
35 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular



1 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
 2 successor.

			Maximum Annual	
			Maximum	Salary Rate
			No. of	Fiscal Years
Item	Class	Title	Employees	2007-2008 2008-2009
8	(1)	031D TRIAL COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT II	1	GRADE 17
9	(2)	032D TRIAL COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT I	<u>115</u>	GRADE 16
10	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		116	

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 12 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS. There is
 13 hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the State
 14 Administration of Justice Fund, for personal services, Trial Court Staff
 15 Substitutes expenses, and Trial Court Administrative Assistant expenses by
 16 the Trial Court Administrative Assistants of the Circuit Courts for the
 17 biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
21	\$ 4,093,572	\$ 4,175,346
22	1,316,148	1,332,707
23	225,000	225,000
24	<u>125,000</u>	<u>125,000</u>
25	<u>\$ 5,759,720</u>	<u>\$ 5,858,053</u>

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 27 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 28 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. RATE OF
 29 PAY. The entry level salary of a trial court staff person shall be equal to
 30 that established in the state pay plan at grade 16.

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 32 SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
 33 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
 34 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
 35 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 36 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary

1 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
2 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
3 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
4 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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6 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
7 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
8 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
9 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
10 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
11 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
12 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
13 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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15 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
16 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
17 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
18 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of
19 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
20 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
21 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the
22 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
23 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
24 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
25 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.

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27 APPROVED: 3/26/2007
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