## Stricken language will be deleted and underlined language will be added.

Act 381 of the Regular Session

State of Arkansas
94th General Assembly
Regular Session, 2023

As Engrossed: S3/6/23
A Bill

By: Joint Budget Committee

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Arkansas State University for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.


1

| (5) | Assoc. Vice Pres. |
| :---: | :---: |
| (6) | Project/Program Administrator |
|  | Executive Project/Program Director |
|  | Exec. Project/Program Manager |
|  | Sr. Project/Program Director |
|  | Project/Program Director |
|  | Project/Program Manager |
|  | Project/Program Specialist |
| (7) | Associate General Counsel |
| (8) | Exec. Asst. to President |
| (9) | Assistant Vice Pres. for Admin. |
| (10) | Senior Internal Audit Manager |
| (11) | Sr. Internal Auditor |
| (12) | Associate for Administration |
| (13) | Legislative Intern/Research Assist. |
| (14) | Research Assistant |
|  | ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - JONESBORO |
|  | TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL |
|  | ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS |
| (15) | Chancellor, ASU-Jonesboro |
| (15.1) | Dean of Veterinary Medicine |
| (16) | Executive Vice Chancellor |
| (17) | Dean of Business Administration |
| (18) | Dean of Engineering |
| (19) | Dean of Schools |
| (20) | Vice Chancellor |
| (21) | Assoc. Dean of Schools |
| (22) | Associate Vice Chancellor |
| (23) | Executive Asst. to the Chancellor |
| (24) | Director of Library Services |
| (25) | Coord. of Organized Research |
| (26) | Controller |
| (27) | Asst. Vice-Chancellor |
| (28) | Registrar |
| (29) | Archivist |
| (30) | Coord. of Non-Credit Activity |

(31)
(32)

| Dean Student Affairs-Enrollment Svcs. | 1 | \$132,820 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assoc. Director - Info \& Tech Svcs. | 2 | \$130,917 |
| Development/Advancement Admin. | 22 |  |
| Development/Advancement Director |  | \$122,933 |
| Development/Advancement Manager |  | \$111,406 |
| Development/Advancement Specialist |  | \$96, 120 |
| Project/Program Administrator | 107 |  |
| Exec. Project/Program Manager |  | \$164,002 |
| Sr. Project/Program Director |  | \$133,606 |
| Project/Program Director |  | \$122,933 |
| Project/Program Manager |  | \$111,406 |
| Project/Program Specialist |  | \$96, 120 |
| Associate Controller | 1 | \$119,876 |
| Dir. of Grants \& Other Spons. Progs. | 1 | \$119,876 |
| Treasurer | 1 | \$119,876 |
| Assoc. Dean of Student Affairs | 6 | \$119,197 |
| Associate Registrar | 1 | \$119,197 |
| Computer Network Coordinator | 1 | \$116,623 |
| Dir. of UPD, CS, Traffic \& Parking | 1 | \$116,184 |
| Executive Assistant | 5 | \$115,970 |
| Project Engineer | 1 | \$115,899 |
| Academic/Student Support | 32 |  |
| Counselor |  | \$115,470 |
| Student Development Specialist |  | \$93,732 |
| Academic Counselor |  | \$85,436 |
| Communications Specialist | 1 | \$109,741 |
| Research Compliance Coordinator | 2 | \$106,955 |
| Project Architect | 1 | \$102,678 |
| Bradbury Art Museum Director | 1 | \$102,430 |
| Asst. Dean of Students | 7 | \$96,544 |
| Director of Academic Advising | 1 | \$96,544 |
| Asst. Dir. of Admissions | 2 | \$96,276 |
| Asst. Dir. Records | 1 | \$96,276 |
| Inst. Information Tech Coord. | 1 | \$91,908 |
| Assoc. Dir. of Student Aid | 1 | \$90,037 |
| Coord. of ASU Comm. Coll. Deg. Cntrs | 3 | \$90,037 |


| 1 | (56) | Research Analyst | 5 | \$89,996 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | (57) | Computer Support Manager | 2 | \$88,373 |
| 3 | (58) | Information Systems Coord. | 1 | \$88,373 |
| 4 | (59) | Systems Specialist | 5 | \$88,373 |
| 5 | (60) | Assistant Director of Publications | 1 | \$85,979 |
| 6 | (61) | Network Support Specialist | 2 | \$84,974 |
| 7 | (62) | Sr. Software Support Analyst | 1 | \$84,974 |
| 8 | (63) | Fiscal Support Pool | 37 |  |
| 9 |  | Fiscal Support Manager |  | \$83,389 |
| 10 |  | Fiscal Support Supervisor |  | \$68,540 |
| 11 |  | Accountant II |  | \$65,905 |
| 12 |  | Accountant I |  | \$63,370 |
| 13 |  | Fiscal Support Analyst |  | \$60,932 |
| 14 |  | Fiscal Support Specialist |  | \$54, 169 |
| 15 |  | Accounting Technician |  | \$50,081 |
| 16 |  | Fiscal Support Technician |  | \$46,303 |
| 17 | (64) | Systems Analyst | 6 | \$81,706 |
| 18 | (65) | Public Safety Pool | 23 |  |
| 19 |  | HE Public Safety Commander III |  | \$81,706 |
| 20 |  | Director Public Safety I |  | \$80, 183 |
| 21 |  | HE Public Safety Commander II |  | \$78,564 |
| 22 |  | HE Public Safety Commander I |  | \$75,541 |
| 23 |  | HE Public Safety Supervisor |  | \$67,157 |
| 24 |  | Public Safety Officer |  | \$64,574 |
| 25 |  | Public Safety Officer II |  | \$59,702 |
| 26 |  | Security Officer Supervisor |  | \$56,336 |
| 27 |  | Public Safety/Security Officer |  | \$51,033 |
| 28 |  | HE Public Safety Dispatcher |  | \$42,810 |
| 29 |  | Parking Control Supv. |  | \$42,810 |
| 30 |  | Security Officer |  | \$42,810 |
| 31 |  | Parking Control Officer |  | \$41, 164 |
| 32 |  | Watchman |  | \$35, 187 |
| 33 | (66) | Conservator | 1 | \$79,632 |
| 34 | (67) | Technical Director | 1 | \$79,632 |
| 35 | (68) | Academic Adviser | 23 | \$78,588 |
| 36 | (69) | Computer Support Coordinator | 1 | \$78,564 |


| 1 | (70) | Assistant Director of Museum | 1 | \$78,080 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | (71) | Assistant Director of Computer Services | 1 | \$75,541 |
| 3 | (72) | ASU Engineer Comm. Facilities Dir. | 1 | \$75,541 |
| 4 | (73) | Information Technology Manager | 4 | \$75,541 |
| 5 | (74) | ASU Assoc. Dir. of Physical Plant | 1 | \$74,133 |
| 6 | (75) | Computer Support Specialist | 18 | \$72,637 |
| 7 | (76) | Database Analyst | 3 | \$72,637 |
| 8 | (77) | Benefits Coordinator | 1 | \$71,282 |
| 9 | (78) | Curator | 2 | \$71,282 |
| 10 | (79) | Education Program Coordinator | 1 | \$71,282 |
| 11 | (80) | Grants Manager | 2 | \$71,282 |
| 12 | (81) | Procurement Coordinator | 1 | \$71,282 |
| 13 | (82) | Network Support Analyst | 1 | \$69,842 |
| 14 | (83) | ASU Asst. Dir. of Physical Plant | 3 | \$68,540 |
| 15 | (84) | Information Systems Analyst | 7 | \$67,157 |
| 16 | (85) | Information Systems Security Analyst | 1 | \$67,157 |
| 17 | (86) | Computer Support Analyst | 3 | \$67,157 |
| 18 | (87) | Skilled Trades Pool | 89 |  |
| 19 |  | Skilled Trades Foreman |  | \$67,157 |
| 20 |  | Skilled Trades Supervisor |  | \$64,574 |
| 21 |  | Skilled Tradesman |  | \$62,090 |
| 22 |  | Skilled Trades Helper |  | \$47,183 |
| 23 |  | Apprentice Tradesman |  | \$41,946 |
| 24 | (88) | Budget Specialist | 2 | \$65,905 |
| 25 | (89) | Department Business Coordinator | 3 | \$65,905 |
| 26 | (90) | Human Resources Analyst | 2 | \$65,905 |
| 27 | (91) | Production Artist | 2 | \$65,905 |
| 28 | (92) | ASU Asst. Director of Farming | 1 | \$63,370 |
| 29 | (93) | ASU Dir. of Housekeeping | 2 | \$63,370 |
| 30 | (94) | Buyer | 1 | \$63,370 |
| 31 | (95) | Construction/Maint. Coordinator | 2 | \$63,370 |
| 32 | (96) | HEI Program Coordinator | 26 | \$63,370 |
| 33 | (97) | Museum Exhibit Program Specialist | 1 | \$63,370 |
| 34 | (98) | Radio News Director | 1 | \$63,370 |
| 35 | (99) | Radio Program Director | 1 | \$63,370 |
| 36 | (100) | Computer Support Technician | 5 | \$62,090 |


| 1 | (101) | Administrative Support Pool | 120 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 |  | Administrative Assistant |  | \$60,932 |
| 3 |  | Administrative Analyst |  | \$60,932 |
| 4 |  | Administrative Support Supervisor |  | \$56,336 |
| 5 |  | Administrative Specialist III |  | \$54,169 |
| 6 |  | Administration Support Specialist |  | \$54,169 |
| 7 |  | Administrative Specialist II |  | \$48,155 |
| 8 |  | Administrative Support Specialist |  | \$48,155 |
| 9 |  | Administrative Specialist I |  | \$42,810 |
| 10 |  | Extra Help Assistant |  | \$35,187 |
| 11 | (102) | Assistant Registrar | 5 | \$60,932 |
| 12 | (103) | Financial Aid Analyst | 8 | \$60,932 |
| 13 | (104) | Library Support Pool | 15 |  |
| 14 |  | Library Supervisor |  | \$60,932 |
| 15 |  | Library Specialist |  | \$52,085 |
| 16 |  | Library Technician |  | \$48,155 |
| 17 |  | Library Support Assistant |  | \$44,523 |
| 18 | (105) | Fabrication Shop Manager | 1 | \$60,932 |
| 19 | (106) | Payroll Services Specialist | 4 | \$60,932 |
| 20 | (107) | Purchasing Specialist | 1 | \$60,932 |
| 21 | (108) | Special Events Manager | 2 | \$54,169 |
| 22 | (109) | Computer Operator | 6 | \$59,702 |
| 23 | (110) | Broadcast Production Specialist | 3 | \$58,589 |
| 24 | (111) | Commercial Graphic Artist | 3 | \$58,589 |
| 25 | (112) | Comm. Artist I/Graphic Artist I | 3 | \$56,336 |
| 26 | (113) | Human Resources Specialist | 2 | \$56,336 |
| 27 | (114) | Landscape Supervisor | 2 | \$56,336 |
| 28 | (115) | Multimedia Specialist | 1 | \$56,336 |
| 29 | (116) | Museum Registrar | 1 | \$56,336 |
| 30 | (117) | Records Management Analyst | 10 | \$56,336 |
| 31 | (118) | Maintenance Specialist | 5 | \$54,169 |
| 32 | (119) | Purchasing Technician | 1 | \$54,169 |
| 33 | (120) | Pest Control Tech | 1 | \$52,085 |
| 34 | (121) | Call Center Specialist | 6 | \$51,033 |
| 35 | (122) | Landscape Specialist | 2 | \$50,081 |
| 36 | (123) | Student Account Specialist | 1 | \$50,081 |


| 1 | (124) | Admissions Analyst | 2 | \$48, 155 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | (125) | Broadcast Announcer | 1 | \$48, 155 |
| 3 | (126) | Heavy Equipment Operator | 9 | \$48, 155 |
| 4 | (127) | Cashier | 1 | \$46,303 |
| 5 | (128) | Inventory Control Technician | 3 | \$46,303 |
| 6 | (129) | Maintenance Assistant | 5 | \$46,303 |
| 7 | (130) | Registrar's Assistant | 2 | \$44,523 |
| 8 | (131) | Institutional Svcs. Supervisor | 13 | \$39,580 |
| 9 | (132) | Institutional Sves. Assistant | 65 | \$38,058 |
| 10 |  | TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL |  |  |
| 11 |  | ACADEMIC POSITIONS |  |  |
| 12 | (133) | Nurse Anesthesia Clinical Coord. | 3 | \$243,228 |
| 13 | (134) | Department Chairperson | 30 | \$182,301 |
| 14 | (135) | Faculty | 68 |  |
| 15 |  | Professor |  | \$179,201 |
| 16 |  | Assoc. Professor |  | \$166,798 |
| 17 |  | Asst. Professor |  | \$141,869 |
| 18 |  | Instructor |  | \$116,623 |
| 19 | (136) | Research Associate | 4 | \$132,700 |
| 20 | (137) | Asst. Library Director | 2 | \$101,623 |
| 21 | (138) | Librarian | 10 | \$101,623 |
| 22 | (138.1) | Veterinary Medicine Instructor | 3 | \$100,000 |
| 23 | (139) | Instructional Designer | 10 | \$79,440 |
| 24 | (140) | Research Assistant | 18 | \$79,440 |
| 25 | (141) | Graduate Assistant - Research | 10 | \$58,057 |
| 26 | (142) | Graduate Assistant | 130 | \$42,440 |
| 27 |  | NINE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL |  |  |
| 28 |  | ACADEMIC POSITIONS |  |  |
| 29 | (143) | College of Business Faculty | 40 |  |
| 30 |  | Distinguished Professor |  | \$247,037 |
| 31 |  | Professor |  | \$197,904 |
| 32 |  | Associate Professor |  | \$162,564 |
| 33 |  | Assistant Professor |  | \$155,496 |
| 34 |  | Instructor |  | \$127,224 |
| 35 | (144) | Faculty | 501 |  |
| 36 |  | Distinguished Professor |  | \$200,730 |


| 1 |  | Professor |  | \$176,103 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 |  | Assoc. Professor |  | \$154,398 |
| 3 |  | Asst. Professor |  | \$129,246 |
| 4 |  | Instructor |  | \$100,848 |
| 5 |  | Lecturer |  | \$81,485 |
| 6 | (145) | Part-Time Faculty | 240 | \$50,755 |
| 7 | (146) | Graduate Assistant | 150 | \$31,829 |
| 8 |  | TWELVE MONTH AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES |  |  |
| 9 |  | POSITIONS |  |  |
| 10 | (147) | Vice Chancellor - Athletics | 1 | \$237,466 |
| 11 | (148) | ASU Head Football Coach | 1 | \$214,387 |
| 12 | (149) | Head Men's Basketball Coach | 1 | \$186,105 |
| 13 | (150) | ASU Def. Coordinator-Football | 1 | \$170,647 |
| 14 | (151) | ASU Off. Coordinator-Football | 1 | \$170,647 |
| 15 | (152) | Assoc. Dir. of Athletics | 4 | \$157,091 |
| 16 | (153) | ASU Asst. Head Football Coach | 2 | \$150,744 |
| 17 | (154) | Assistant Football Coach | 5 | \$150,744 |
| 18 | (155) | Head Coach | 11 | \$132,261 |
| 19 | (156) | ASU Dir. of Auxiliary Enterprises | 1 | \$127,052 |
| 20 | (157) | Dir. of Arena | 1 | \$123,161 |
| 21 | (158) | Asst. Dir. Athletics | 8 | \$118,119 |
| 22 | (159) | Head Athletic Trainer | 1 | \$118,119 |
| 23 | (160) | Assistant Coach | 24 | \$100,362 |
| 24 | (161) | Dir. of Strength \& Conditioning | 3 | \$100,362 |
| 25 | (162) | Trainer | 5 | \$100,362 |
| 26 | (163) | Facilities and Equipment Manager | 2 | \$90,377 |
| 27 | (164) | Assistant Director | 1 | \$87,462 |
| 28 | (165) | Fiscal Support Pool | 1 |  |
| 29 |  | Fiscal Support Manager |  | \$83,389 |
| 30 |  | Fiscal Support Supervisor |  | \$68,540 |
| 31 |  | Accountant II |  | \$65,905 |
| 32 |  | Accountant I |  | \$63,370 |
| 33 |  | Fiscal Support Analyst |  | \$60,932 |
| 34 |  | Fiscal Support Specialist |  | \$54,169 |
| 35 |  | Accounting Technician |  | \$50,081 |
| 36 |  | Fiscal Support Technician |  | \$46,303 |


| 1 | (166) | Asst. Dir. of Development | 1 | \$79,523 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | (167) | Asst. Dir. of Media Relations | 2 | \$79,523 |
| 3 | (168) | Academic Adviser | 2 | \$78,588 |
| 4 | (169) | Director of Marketing | 1 | \$76,213 |
| 5 | (170) | Ticket Manager | 1 | \$73,935 |
| 6 | (171) | Director of Student Union | 1 | \$68,540 |
| 7 | (172) | Skilled Trades Pool | 9 |  |
| 8 |  | Skilled Trades Foreman |  | \$67,157 |
| 9 |  | Skilled Trades Supervisor |  | \$64,574 |
| 10 |  | Skilled Tradesman |  | \$62,090 |
| 11 |  | Skilled Trades Helper |  | \$47,183 |
| 12 |  | Apprentice Tradesman |  | \$41,946 |
| 13 | (173) | Athletic Ticket Sales Coordinator | 1 | \$63,370 |
| 14 | (174) | Print Shop Manager | 1 | \$63,370 |
| 15 | (175) | Administrative Support Pool | 10 |  |
| 16 |  | Administrative Assistant |  | \$60,932 |
| 17 |  | Administrative Analyst |  | \$60,932 |
| 18 |  | Administrative Support Supervisor |  | \$56,336 |
| 19 |  | Administrative Specialist III |  | \$54,169 |
| 20 |  | Administration Support Specialist |  | \$54,169 |
| 21 |  | Administrative Specialist II |  | \$48,155 |
| 22 |  | Administrative Support Specialist |  | \$48,155 |
| 23 |  | Administrative Specialist I |  | \$42,810 |
| 24 |  | Extra Help Assistant |  | \$35,187 |
| 25 | (176) | Special Events Manager | 2 | \$60,932 |
| 26 | (177) | Institutional Printer | 6 | \$58,589 |
| 27 | (178) | Student Union Night Manager | 1 | \$58,589 |
| 28 | (179) | Special Events Coordinator | 2 | \$54, 169 |
| 29 | (180) | Athletic Facility Supervisor | 4 | \$52,085 |
| 30 | (181) | Student Union Sec. Mgr. | 1 | \$48,155 |
| 31 | (182) | Institutional Svcs. Supervisor | 3 | \$39,580 |
| 32 | (183) | Institutional Svcs. Assistant | 25 | \$38,058 |
| 33 |  | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 253 |  |

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas State University for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following
maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two thousand sixty-four $(2,064)$ temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University, to be payable from the Arkansas State University Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas State University for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

| ITEM NO. |  | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (01) | REGULAR SALARIES | \$55,800,000 |
| (02) | EXTRA HELP | 60,000 |
| (03) | PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 8,800,000 |
| (04) | MAINT. \& GEN. OPERATION |  |
|  | (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 9,078,331 |
|  | (B) CONF. \& TRAVEL | 0 |
|  | (C) PROF. FEES | 0 |
|  | (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 400,000 |
|  | (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
| (05) | FUNDED DEPRECIATION | 1,000,000 |
|  | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | \$75,138,331 |

SECTION 4. ALLOCATIONS. There is hereby allocated, to the various programs of Arkansas State University, as set out herein, the following amounts of the funds appropriated in the State Operations appropriation section in this Act, to Arkansas State University, there to be used as provided by law, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

|  | MAXIMUM ALLOCATI |
| :---: | ---: |
| ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
| NO. | $2023-2024$ |

(1) JONESBORO CAMPUS \$69,354,471
(2) ASU - SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION

2,854,376
(3) HERITAGE SITES
(4) DELTA CENTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

2,475,921

TOTAL AMOUNT ALLOCATED

453,563
\$75,138,331

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CASH FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas State University for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

| ITEM NO. |  | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (01) | REGULAR SALARIES | \$36,000,000 |
| (02) | EXTRA HELP | 10,970,000 |
| (03) | OVERTIME | 30,000 |
| (04) | PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 15,500,000 |
| (05) | MAINT. \& GEN. OPERATION |  |
|  | (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 47,000,000 |
|  | (B) CONF. \& TRAVEL | 6,000,000 |
|  | (C) PROF. FEES | 27,675,000 |
|  | (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 11,000,000 |
|  | (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
| (06) | CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS | 51,396,158 |
| (07) | DEBT SERVICE | 18,000,000 |
| (08) | PROMOTIONAL ITEMS | 200,000 |
| (09) | RESALE | 125,000 |
|  | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | \$223,896,158 |

SECTION 6. 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 Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, the Higher Education Expenditure Restriction

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 7. 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 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (l) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July l, 2023 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July l, 2023 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2023.

/s/Joint Budget Committee

## APPROVED: 3/30/23

