Stricken language will be deleted and underlined language will be added. Act 799 of the Regular Session

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| 2 | 94th Genera | al Assembly | у | | A Bill | | |
| 3 | Regular Ses | ssion, 2023 | | | | | HOUSE BILL 1133 |
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| 5 | By: Joint B | udget Com | mittee | | | | |
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| 10 | | THE F | ISCAL YEA | AR ENDING | G JUNE 30, 20 | 24; AND FOR | OTHER |
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| 20 | BE IT ENA | ACTED BY | THE GENER | RAL ASSE | MBLY OF THE S | STATE OF ARK | ANSAS: |
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| 22 | SEC | CTION 1. | REGULAR S | SALARIES | - OPERATIONS | S. There is | hereby established |
| 23 | for the S | Secretary | of State | e for the | e 2023-2024 f | fiscal year, | the following |
| 24 | maximum n | number of | regular | employe | es. | | |
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| 26 | | | | | | | Maximum Annual |
| 27 | | | | | | Maximum | Salary Rate |
| 28 | Item Cl | ass | | | | No. of | Fiscal Year |
| 29 | No. Co | ode Titl | _e | | | Employees | 2023-2024 |
| 30 | (1) Q1 | 71U SEC | OF STATE | CHIEF D | EPUTY | 1 | \$132,286 |
| 31 | (2) Q1 | 72U SEC | OF STATE | DEPUTY | | 2 | \$118,545 |
| 32 | (3) Q1 | 74U SEC | OF STATE | SENIOR : | INFO TECHNICI | IAN 1 | \$109,169 |
| 33 | (4) Q1 | 73U SEC | OF STATE | GENERAL | COUNSEL | 1 | \$106,234 |
| 34 | (5) Q1 | 75U SEC | OF STATE | INFO TE | CHNICIAN | 1 | \$98,118 |
| 35 | (6) Q1 | 78U SEC | OF STATE | CAPITOL | POLICE CHIEF | ? 1 | \$95,204 |
| 36 | (7) Q1 | 76U SEC | OF STATE | DEPARTM | ENT DIRECTOR | 7 | \$95,204 |
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| 1 | (8) | Q177U | SEC | OF | STATE | ASSOCIATE COUNSEL | 1 | \$85,320 |
|----|------|-------|-----|----|-------|---------------------------|----|----------|
| 2 | (9) | Q179U | SEC | OF | STATE | SYSTEMS ANALYST | 1 | \$78,807 |
| 3 | (10) | Q184U | SEC | OF | STATE | BUDGET ANALYST | 1 | \$76,464 |
| 4 | (11) | Q183U | SEC | OF | STATE | DEPARTMENT MANAGER | 1 | \$76,464 |
| 5 | (12) | Q182U | SEC | OF | STATE | SENIOR SUPERVISOR | 1 | \$76,464 |
| 6 | (13) | Q181U | SEC | OF | STATE | CAPITOL POLICE CAPTAIN | 1 | \$76,464 |
| 7 | (14) | Q190U | SEC | OF | STATE | INFO TECH ANALYST | 1 | \$70,631 |
| 8 | (15) | Q185U | SEC | OF | STATE | PROGRAMMER ANALYST | 1 | \$70,631 |
| 9 | (16) | Q197U | SEC | OF | STATE | PROJECT COORDINATOR II | 3 | \$68,529 |
| 10 | (17) | Q192U | SEC | OF | STATE | DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR | 2 | \$68,529 |
| 11 | (18) | Q188U | SEC | OF | STATE | TRADE SUPERVISOR | 2 | \$68,529 |
| 12 | (19) | Q187U | SEC | OF | STATE | POLICE SERGEANT | 5 | \$68,529 |
| 13 | (20) | Q186U | SEC | OF | STATE | ASSISTANT DIRECTOR | 3 | \$68,529 |
| 14 | (21) | Q195U | SEC | OF | STATE | INFO TECH ADMINISTRATOR | 2 | \$63,303 |
| 15 | (22) | Q231U | SEC | OF | STATE | PROJECT COORDINATOR I | 4 | \$61,418 |
| 16 | (23) | Q212U | SEC | OF | STATE | BLDGS & GRND SUPERVISOR I | 3 | \$61,418 |
| 17 | (24) | Q201U | SEC | OF | STATE | CORPORAL | 24 | \$61,418 |
| 18 | (25) | Q198U | SEC | OF | STATE | BUSINESS ACCOUNTANT II | 3 | \$61,418 |
| 19 | (26) | Q194U | SEC | OF | STATE | CREATIVE SPECIALIST III | 1 | \$61,418 |
| 20 | (27) | Q193U | SEC | OF | STATE | MASTER TRADESPERSON | 2 | \$61,418 |
| 21 | (28) | Q191U | SEC | OF | STATE | ELECTION COORDINATOR | 5 | \$61,418 |
| 22 | (29) | Q180U | SEC | OF | STATE | PUBLIC EVENTS COORD | 1 | \$61,418 |
| 23 | (30) | Q199U | SEC | OF | STATE | INFO TECH SPECIALIST | 1 | \$56,737 |
| 24 | (31) | Q210U | SEC | OF | STATE | CORPORATIONS REP III | 4 | \$55,047 |
| 25 | (32) | Q209U | SEC | OF | STATE | TRADESPERSON | 2 | \$55,047 |
| 26 | (33) | Q208U | SEC | OF | STATE | MAINTENANCE WORKER II | 4 | \$55,047 |
| 27 | (34) | Q204U | SEC | OF | STATE | EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT | 4 | \$55,047 |
| 28 | (35) | Q203U | SEC | OF | STATE | CREATIVE SPECIALIST II | 2 | \$55,047 |
| 29 | (36) | Q202U | SEC | OF | STATE | VOTER SVCS ADMINISTRATOR | 2 | \$55,047 |
| 30 | (37) | Q200U | SEC | OF | STATE | CUSTOMER SVCS COORD II | 3 | \$55,047 |
| 31 | (38) | Q215U | SEC | OF | STATE | ADMINISTRATIVE ASST III | 7 | \$49,337 |
| 32 | (39) | Q214U | SEC | OF | STATE | FACILITIES SVC REP II | 1 | \$49,337 |
| 33 | (40) | Q213U | SEC | OF | STATE | CREATIVE SPECIALIST I | 1 | \$49,337 |
| 34 | (41) | Q211U | SEC | OF | STATE | RECORDS SPECIALIST | 2 | \$49,337 |
| 35 | (42) | Q206U | SEC | OF | STATE | BLDG SVCS COORDINATOR | 1 | \$49,337 |
| 36 | (43) | Q222U | SEC | OF | STATE | MAINTENANCE WORKER I | 4 | \$44,223 |
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| 1 | (44) | Q221U SEC OF | STATE | FACILITIES SVC REP I | 4 | \$44,223 |
|----|------|--------------|--------|------------------------|----------|----------|
| 2 | (45) | Q219U SEC OF | STATE | CORPORATIONS REP II | 11 | \$44,223 |
| 3 | (46) | Q218U SEC OF | STATE | BUSINESS ASSISTANT I | 3 | \$44,223 |
| 4 | (47) | Q216U SEC OF | STATE | ADMINISTRATIVE ASST II | 3 | \$44,223 |
| 5 | (48) | Q229U SEC OF | STATE | MAIL CLERK | 1 | \$39,637 |
| 6 | (49) | Q225U SEC OF | STATE | DISPATCHER | 2 | \$39,637 |
| 7 | (50) | Q224U SEC OF | STATE | CUSTODIAN II | 1 | \$39,637 |
| 8 | (51) | Q223U SEC OF | STATE | CORPORATIONS REP I | 4 | \$39,637 |
| 9 | (52) | Q220U SEC OF | STATE | ADMINISTRATIVE ASST I | 5 | \$39,637 |
| 10 | (53) | Q227U SEC OF | STATE | CUSTODIAN I | 5 | \$35,528 |
| 11 | (54) | Q226U SEC OF | STATE | BLDG SVCS REP | 2 | \$35,528 |
| 12 | (55) | Q230U SEC OF | STATE | RECEPTIONIST I | <u> </u> | \$33,495 |
| 13 | | MAX. NO. OF | EMPLOY | EES | 162 | |

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the Secretary of State - Operations 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: forty-five (45) 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 - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Secretary of State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

| 29 | ITEM | | FISCAL YEAR |
|----|------|----------------------------|-------------|
| 30 | NO. | | 2023-2024 |
| 31 | (01) | REGULAR SALARIES | \$9,559,104 |
| 32 | (02) | EXTRA HELP | 144,909 |
| 33 | (03) | PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 3,345,815 |
| 34 | (04) | OVERTIME | 33,000 |
| 35 | (05) | MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| 36 | | (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 4,258,525 |

| 1 | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 65,651 |
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| 2 | (C) PROF. FEES | 205,956 |
| 3 | (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 210,000 |
| 4 | (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
| 5 | (06) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE | 675,048 |
| 6 | (07) BUILDING & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE | 372,678 |
| 7 | (08) ELECTION EXPENSES | 3,088,029 |
| 8 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | \$21,958,715 |
| 9 | | |
| 10 | SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - CAPITOL GROUNDS MON | NUMENT/MEMORIAL |
| 11 | PRESERVATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the | Secretary of State, to be |
| 12 | payable from the Capitol Grounds Monument And Memori | ial Preservation Fund, for |
| 13 | various construction and operating expenses for the | preservation of Monuments |
| 14 | and Memorials on the State Capitol Grounds by the Se | ecretary of State for the |
| 15 | fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: | |
| 16 | | |
| 17 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
| 18 | NO. | 2023-2024 |
| 19 | (01) VARIOUS OPERATING & CONSTRUCTION | |
| 20 | EXPENSES FOR MONUMENT/MEMORIAL | |
| 21 | PRESERVATION | <u>\$77,456</u> |
| 22 | | |
| 23 | SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE CAPI | TTOL BUILDINGS & GROUNDS |
| 24 | RESTORATION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, t | to the Secretary of State, |
| 25 | to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the St | ate Treasury as |
| 26 | determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, | from contributions and |
| 27 | donations for maintenance and restoration projects b | by the Secretary of State |
| 28 | for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the follow | ving: |
| 29 | | |
| 30 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
| 31 | NO. | 2023-2024 |
| 32 | (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| 33 | (A) OPER. EXPENSE | \$25,000 |
| - | (, 0-1 | \$25,000 |
| 34 | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 0 |
| | | |

| 1 | (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
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| 2 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | \$25,000 |
| 3 | | |
| 4 | SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - ADMINISTRATIVE & MAINTENAN | CE - CASH. There |
| 5 | is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be pa | yable from cash |
| 6 | funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for various ope | rating and |
| 7 | associated expenses for administrative and maintenance expe | nses for the State |
| 8 | Capitol grounds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, t | he following: |
| 9 | | |
| 10 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
| 11 | NO. | 2023-2024 |
| 12 | (01) VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE & MAINTENANCE | |
| 13 | EXPENSES | <u>\$1,000,000</u> |
| 14 | | |
| 15 | SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - FEE AND TAX REFUNDS. Ther | e is hereby |
| 16 | appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from | the Miscellaneous |
| 17 | Revolving Fund, for refunds and reimbursements of corporate | filings fees and |
| | franchise taxes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, t | ho following. |
| 18 | Transmiss takes for the risear year ending dance 30, 2024, to | ile lollowing. |
| 18 19 | Transmiss takes for the fiscal year ending same 30, 2024, t | ne forfowing: |
| | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
| 19 | | - |
| 19 20 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
| 19 20 21 | ITEM NO. | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 |
| 19 20 21 22 | ITEM NO. | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 |
| 19 20 21 22 23 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable. | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is the from the County is for upgrading or |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payab Voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and service | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County s for upgrading or system equipment, |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payab Voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and service purchasing county voting systems, grants and aid for voting | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County s for upgrading or system equipment, iew voter |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payab Voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and service purchasing county voting systems, grants and aid for voting programming, maintenance or equipment and devices used to v | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County s for upgrading or system equipment, iew voter |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payab Voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and service purchasing county voting systems, grants and aid for voting programming, maintenance or equipment and devices used to v registration records at a polling location and refunds/reim | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County s for upgrading or system equipment, iew voter |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payab Voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and service purchasing county voting systems, grants and aid for voting programming, maintenance or equipment and devices used to v registration records at a polling location and refunds/reim | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County s for upgrading or system equipment, iew voter |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payably voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and service purchasing county voting systems, grants and aid for voting programming, maintenance or equipment and devices used to vergistration records at a polling location and refunds/reim for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County s for upgrading or system equipment, iew voter abursements of fees |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payably Voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and service purchasing county voting systems, grants and aid for voting programming, maintenance or equipment and devices used to vergistration records at a polling location and refunds/reim for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County s for upgrading or system equipment, liew voter abursements of fees FISCAL YEAR |
| 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 | ITEM NO. (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payably Voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and service purchasing county voting systems, grants and aid for voting programming, maintenance or equipment and devices used to vergistration records at a polling location and refunds/reim for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: ITEM NO. | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 \$550,000 FUND. There is le from the County s for upgrading or system equipment, iew voter bursements of fees FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 |

| 1 | appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the Arkansas |
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| 2 | Video Service Fund, for the review and issue of certificates of franchise |
| 3 | authority and refunds/reimbursements of fees of the Arkansas Video Service |
| 4 | Act for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: |
| 5 | |
| 6 | ITEM FISCAL YEAR |
| 7 | NO. 2023-2024 |
| 8 | (01) ARKANSAS VIDEO SERVICE ACT \$25,000 |
| 9 | |
| 10 | SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - NATIONAL STATUARY HALL COLLECTION. There is |
| 11 | hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the |
| 12 | National Statuary Hall Collection Trust Fund, for placement and replacement |
| 13 | of Arkansas statues in the National Statuary Hall Collection in the United |
| 14 | States Capitol as provided under § 1-4-134 for the fiscal year ending June |
| 15 | 30, 2024, the sum of |
| 16 | |
| 17 | SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT - FEDERAL. There is |
| 18 | hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the |
| 19 | federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for |
| 20 | expenditures requiring state matching for maintenance, operating expenses and |
| 21 | associated costs for the Help America Vote Act for the fiscal year ending |
| 22 | June 30, 2024, the sum of\$4,000,000 |
| 23 | |
| 24 | SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - GIFT SHOP AND 500 GRILL. There is hereby |
| 25 | appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the cash funds as |
| 26 | defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and miscellaneous |
| 27 | operating expenses of the Gift Shop and 500 Grill for the fiscal year ending |
| 28 | June 30, 2024, the sum of\$490,000. |
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| 30 | SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - FILING & REPORTING SYSTEMS. There is hereby |
| 31 | appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central |
| 32 | Services Fund, for expenses relating to the Secretary of State's Financial |
| 33 | Disclosure Online Filing System and the Business and Commercial Service |
| 34 | Division's filing, processing and information retrieval system for the fiscal |
| 35 | year ending June 30, 2024, the sum |
| 36 | of\$1,083,697. |

1 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - MECHANICAL ROOM CONSTRUCTION. There is 2 hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal 3 4 Officer of the State, for costs associated with architectural design, 5 construction and renovations of the State Capitol Building mechanical room 6 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the sum of.....\$4,500,000. 7 8 SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS 9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. 10 TRANSFER PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer 11 of the State, and prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint 12 Budget Committee, the Agency is authorized to transfer appropriation from any 13 line item authorized in Operations appropriation to any other line item 14 authorized in Operations appropriation. 15 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2022 16 2023 through June 30, 2023 2024. 17 SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS 18 19 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. 20 PERMANENT GIFT SHOP. The Arkansas Secretary of State shall operate a gift 21 shop to be permanently located in a space on the first floor of the State 22 Capitol Building. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to maintain 23 a space on the first floor of the State Capitol Building for the use of a 24 gift shop. The Arkansas Secretary of State is prohibited from removing a 25 gift shop from the first floor of the State Capitol Building or to nullify or void the provisions of this section. A space on the first floor of the State 26 27 Capitol Building shall be the only location for the Arkansas Secretary of 28 State gift shop operations and shall be the only location items of the 29 Arkansas Secretary of State gift shop are sold to the public. 30 SECTION 17. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds 31 32 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency 33 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and 34 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and 35 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary

Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal

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| 1 | control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by |
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| 2 | the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be |
| 3 | strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds. |
| 4 | |
| 5 | SECTION 18. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General |
| 6 | Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations |
| 7 | contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for |
| 8 | which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive |
| 9 | Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget |
| 10 | manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or |
| 11 | summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative |
| 12 | Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption. |
| 13 | |
| 14 | SECTION 19. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the |
| 15 | General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits |
| 16 | the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the |
| 17 | effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2023 is essential to the operation of |
| 18 | the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in |
| 19 | the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the |
| 20 | effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2023 could work irreparable harm |
| 21 | upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental |
| 22 | programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act |
| 23 | being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health |
| 24 | and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2023. |
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| 26 | /s/Joint Budget Committee |
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| 29 | APPROVED: 4/13/23 |
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