

1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2024
4

A Bill

SENATE BILL 20

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MAINTAINING AND
9 OPERATING A CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE
10 COUNTY CLERKS, CIRCUIT CLERKS, COUNTY TREASURERS,
11 COUNTY COLLECTORS AND COUNTY CORONERS FOR THE FISCAL
12 YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE -
16 CONTINUING EDUCATION OF LOCAL OFFICIALS
17 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL
18 YEAR.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - CONTINUING EDUCATION - COUNTY CLERKS. There
25 is hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the
26 County and Circuit Clerks Continuing Education Fund, for the County Clerks'
27 Continuing Education Board in carrying out the responsibilities for
28 maintaining and operating a continuing education program and certification
29 program for county clerks by the County Clerks' Continuing Education Board
30 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:
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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
(01) EXPENSES FOR COUNTY CLERKS CONTINUING EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM	<u>\$75,000</u>

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - CONTINUING EDUCATION - CIRCUIT CLERKS.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the County and Circuit Clerks Continuing Education Fund, for the Circuit Clerks' Continuing Education Board in carrying out the responsibilities for maintaining and operating a continuing education program and certification program for circuit clerks by the Circuit Clerks' Continuing Education Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
(01) EXPENSES FOR CIRCUIT CLERKS	
CONTINUING EDUCATION AND	
CERTIFICATION PROGRAM	<u>\$75,000</u>

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - CONTINUING EDUCATION - COUNTY TREASURERS.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the County Treasurer's Continuing Education Fund, for the County Treasurer's Continuing Education Board in carrying out the responsibilities for maintaining and operating a continuing education program for county treasurers by the County Treasurer's Continuing Education Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
(01) MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF	
CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM	<u>\$75,000</u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - CONTINUING EDUCATION - COUNTY COLLECTORS.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the County Collector's Continuing Education Trust Fund, for the County Collector's Continuing Education Board in carrying out the responsibilities for maintaining and operating a continuing education program and certification program for county collectors by the County Collector's Continuing Education Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
3	(01) MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF	
4	CONTINUING EDUCATION AND	
5	CERTIFICATION PROGRAM	<u>\$75,000</u>

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7 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CONTINUING EDUCATION - COUNTY CORONERS.

8 There is hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the
9 County Coroners Continuing Education Fund, for carrying out the
10 responsibilities and maintaining and operating a continuing education program
11 and certification program for county coroners by the Arkansas Commission on
12 Law Enforcement Standards and Training for the fiscal year ending June 30,
13 2025, the following:

15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
17	(01) EXPENSES FOR COUNTY CORONERS	
18	CONTINUING EDUCATION AND	
19	CERTIFICATION PROGRAM	<u>\$125,000</u>

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21 SECTION 6. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
22 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
23 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
24 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
25 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
26 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
27 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
28 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
29 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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31 SECTION 7. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
32 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
33 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
34 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
35 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
36 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or

1 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
2 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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4 SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
5 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
6 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
7 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of
8 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
9 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
10 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 could work irreparable harm
11 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
12 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
13 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
14 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2024.

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