

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.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2009

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 148

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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 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE  
11 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS FOR THE FISCAL  
12 YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2010; AND FOR OTHER  
13 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS'  
17 AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2009-2010  
18 FISCAL 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. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the  
25 Department of Veterans' Affairs for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following  
26 maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the  
27 provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code  
28 §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.  
29 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual  
30 salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of  
31 said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying  
32 positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the  
33 Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101),  
34 or its successor.  
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Maximum Annual



1			Maximum	Salary Rate	
2	Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Year	
3	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2009-2010
4	(1)	U008U	ADVA DIRECTOR	1	\$90,627
5	(2)	G038C	ADVA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE C126
6	(3)	L009C	NURSE MANAGER	1	GRADE C125
7	(4)	L008C	NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE C125
8	(5)	G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C124
9	(6)	L019C	REGISTERED NURSE COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C123
10	(7)	M009C	LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER	4	GRADE C121
11	(8)	L032C	REGISTERED NURSE - HOSPITAL	15	GRADE C121
12	(9)	G185C	ADVA PROGRAM COORDINATOR	5	GRADE C117
13	(10)	R025C	HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
14	(11)	A089C	ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE C116
15	(12)	P027C	PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C116
16	(13)	X113C	VETERANS CLAIMS SPECIALIST	7	GRADE C116
17	(14)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
18	(15)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
19	(16)	S033C	MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE C115
20	(17)	S044C	FOOD PREPARATION MANAGER	1	GRADE C114
21	(18)	R036C	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C113
22	(19)	L069C	LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE	22	GRADE C113
23	(20)	S046C	MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	5	GRADE C113
24	(21)	T072C	SECURITY OFFICER SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C113
25	(22)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	10	GRADE C112
26	(23)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C112
27	(24)	S056C	FOOD PREPARATION SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C111
28	(25)	M076C	RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	3	GRADE C111
29	(26)	T084C	PUBLIC SAFETY SECURITY OFFICER	11	GRADE C110
30	(27)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	3	GRADE C109
31	(28)	L082C	CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT	87	GRADE C109
32	(29)	S060C	HEAVY EQUIP OPERATOR	2	GRADE C109
33	(30)	S065C	MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	2	GRADE C108
34	(31)	T087C	SECURITY OFFICER	2	GRADE C106
35	(32)	S085C	FOOD PREPARATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C104
36	(33)	S084C	INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C104

1	(34)	S087C	INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES ASSISTANT	9	GRADE C103
2	(35)	S089C	FOOD PREPARATION TECHNICIAN	<u>11</u>	GRADE C102
3			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	221	

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5 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 6 to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the Miscellaneous  
 7 Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 8 Department of Veterans' Affairs - State Operations for the fiscal year ending  
 9 June 30, 2010, the following:

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11	ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>		<u>2009-2010</u>
13	(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 758,321
14	(02)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	256,706
15	(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
16	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	68,444
17	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	4,130
18	(C)	PROF. FEES	0
19	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	0
20	(E)	DATA PROC.	0
21	(04)	AID TO COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE	
22		OFFICES	<u>283,500</u>
23		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,371,101</u>

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25 SECTION 3. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS' HOME DIVISION - STATE. There is hereby  
 26 authorized, for the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home - State  
 27 for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or  
 28 temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 29 appropriated herein for such purposes: seven (7) temporary or part-time  
 30 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 31 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 32 for the appropriate classification.

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34 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME DIVISION - STATE. There is  
 35 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable  
 36 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and

1 operating expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home  
 2 Division - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
6 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 2,432,360
7 (02) EXTRA HELP	31,000
8 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	921,261
9 (04) OVERTIME	18,000
10 (05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
11 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	598,100
12 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
13 (C) PROF. FEES	64,275
14 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
15 (E) DATA PROC.	0
16 (06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>270,000</u>
17 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 4,339,996</u>

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 19 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS' HOME - FAYETTEVILLE. There is hereby  
 20 authorized, for the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home  
 21 Fayetteville for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following maximum number of  
 22 part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from  
 23 funds appropriated herein for such purposes: seven (7) temporary or part-  
 24 time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in  
 25 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this  
 26 act for the appropriate classification.

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 28 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME - FAYETTEVILLE. There is hereby  
 29 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the  
 30 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal  
 31 Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 32 Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Home - Fayetteville for the  
 33 fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

35 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
36 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>

1	(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$	2,788,582
2	(02)	EXTRA HELP		40,000
3	(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING		1,048,859
4	(04)	OVERTIME		40,000
5	(05)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
6	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE		2,107,027
7	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL		5,250
8	(C)	PROF. FEES		200,000
9	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY		100,000
10	(E)	DATA PROC.		0
11	(06)	REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS		<u>475,000</u>
12		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$	<u>6,804,718</u>

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 14 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERY - STATE. There is hereby  
 15 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the  
 16 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating  
 17 expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Cemetery - State  
 18 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
22	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 167,566
23	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	61,968
24	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
25	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	53,075
26	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
27	(C) PROF. FEES	0
28	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
29	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ <u>282,609</u>

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 32 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERY - CASH. There is hereby  
 33 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the  
 34 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal  
 35 Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Veterans'  
 36 Affairs - Veterans' Cemetery - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010,

1 the following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
5 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 10,000
7 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
8 (C) PROF. FEES	0
9 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	120,000
10 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
11 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 135,000</u>

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13 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOME - CASH. There is hereby  
 14 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the  
 15 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal  
 16 Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Veterans'  
 17 Affairs - Veterans' Home - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the  
 18 following:

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20 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
22 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 150,000
24 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
25 (C) PROF. FEES	0
26 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
27 (E) DATA PROC.	0
28 (02) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>202,795</u>
29 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 352,795</u>

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31 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERY - BIRDEYE. There is hereby  
 32 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be payable from the  
 33 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating  
 34 expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs - Veterans' Cemetery -  
 35 Birdeye for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2009-2010
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 32,249
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	11,138
(03) VETERANS' CEMETERY EXPENSES	<u>50,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 93,387</u>

SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRAINING CONFERENCES. The funds appropriated herein for Aid to County Veterans' Service Offices may also be used by the Department of Veterans' Affairs to pay expenses of County Veterans' Service Officers for attending regional or statewide training conferences approved by the Department of Veterans' Affairs and designed to provide better trained and qualified Veterans' Service Officers in the various counties. Any such expenses paid by the Department of Veterans' Affairs from funds appropriated herein shall be on the same reimbursement basis as the reimbursement of state employees for expenses incurred in attending their official business. Provided, no County Veterans' Service Officer shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for expenses incurred in attending more than two (2) approved conferences per year.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2007~~ 2009 through June 30, ~~2009~~ 2010.

SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. LIABILITY INSURANCE APPROPRIATION RESTRICTION. In no event shall the Department of Veterans' Affairs expend or transfer any appropriation or funds for the purchase of malpractice liability insurance for the benefit of a non-governmental entity.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2007~~ 2009 through June 30, ~~2009~~ 2010.

SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS. Any reimbursement(s) received by the Department of

1 Veterans' Affairs for expenses paid from the General Improvement Fund or its  
2 successor fund or fund accounts or from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund  
3 Account for the establishment of the State Veterans' Cemetery shall be  
4 recouped by the State of Arkansas by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State  
5 and transferred to the General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund.

6 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2007~~ 2009  
7 through June 30, ~~2009~~ 2010.

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9 SECTION 14. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized  
10 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds  
11 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the  
12 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
13 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
14 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
15 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
16 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
17 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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19 SECTION 15. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
20 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
21 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
22 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
23 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
24 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
25 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
26 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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28 SECTION 16. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
29 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
30 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
31 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2009 is essential to the operation of  
32 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
33 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
34 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2009 could work irreparable harm upon the  
35 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
36 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being



1 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
2 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2009.

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