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2 93rd General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 157

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME
10 AND FISH COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE
11 30, 2022; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND
15 FISH COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR THE
16 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
23 Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the
24 following maximum number of regular employees.
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26				Maximum Annual
27				Salary Rate
28	Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
29	No.	Code	No. of	2021-2022
	Title		Employees	
30	(1)	Q249U	1	\$152,638
31	(2)	Q250U	1	\$124,275
32	(3)	Q251U	3	\$122,957
33	(4)	Q255U	1	\$120,265
34	(5)	Q252U	1	\$118,228
35	(6)	Q266U	1	\$116,351
36	(7)	Q254U	1	\$113,681



1	(8)	Q253U AGFC BIOSTATISTICIAN	1	\$113,681
2	(9)	Q257U AGFC DIVISION CHIEF	9	\$106,902
3	(10)	Q256U AGFC COLONEL	1	\$106,902
4	(11)	Q265U AGFC SOFTWARE ENGINEER LEAD	1	\$103,265
5	(12)	Q258U AGFC GIS LEAD	1	\$103,265
6	(13)	Q355U AGFC MARKETING MANAGER	1	\$96,303
7	(14)	Q263U AGFC ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	\$96,303
8	(15)	Q261U AGFC MAJOR	3	\$96,303
9	(16)	Q260U AGFC DIVISION ASST CHIEF	16	\$96,303
10	(17)	Q271U AGFC SENIOR GIS ANALYST	1	\$89,744
11	(18)	Q270U AGFC CONSERVATION PROGRAM MANAGER	1	\$89,744
12	(19)	Q269U AGFC ATTORNEY	2	\$89,744
13	(20)	Q268U AGFC ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	1	\$89,744
14	(21)	Q267U AGFC CAPTAIN	14	\$89,744
15	(22)	Q283U AGFC SENIOR SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	2	\$86,609
16	(23)	Q281U AGFC NETWORK SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	\$86,609
17	(24)	Q280U AGFC HATCHERY MANAGER	5	\$86,609
18	(25)	Q279U AGFC GIS ANALYST	3	\$86,609
19	(26)	Q278U AGFC OPERATIONS & FACILITY MANAGER	3	\$86,609
20	(27)	Q277U AGFC NATURE CENTER MANAGER	5	\$86,609
21	(28)	Q276U AGFC LIEUTENANT	16	\$86,609
22	(29)	Q275U AGFC BIOLOGIST SUPERVISOR	22	\$86,609
23	(30)	Q274U AGFC BIOLOGIST PROGRAM SPECIALIST	9	\$86,609
24	(31)	Q284U AGFC SERGEANT	25	\$83,571
25	(32)	Q354U AGFC ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	\$80,624
26	(33)	Q292U AGFC PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	\$80,624
27	(34)	Q291U AGFC GRANTS MANAGER	1	\$80,624
28	(35)	Q290U AGFC ASSISTANT HATCHERY MANAGER	5	\$80,624
29	(36)	Q289U AGFC LICENSING MANAGER	1	\$80,624
30	(37)	Q288U AGFC CORPORAL	125	\$80,624
31	(38)	Q287U AGFC BIOLOGIST SPECIALIST	53	\$80,624
32	(39)	Q286U AGFC BIOLOGIST - ASST REGIONAL MANAGER	10	\$80,624
33	(40)	Q285U AGFC CONSTRUCTION MANAGER	1	\$80,624
34	(41)	Q299U AGFC WILDLIFE OFFICER 1ST CLASS	1	\$75,004
35	(42)	Q298U AGFC PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR	1	\$75,004
36	(43)	Q297U AGFC GRANTS COORDINATOR	2	\$75,004

1	(44)	Q296U AGFC EDUCATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR	7	\$75,004
2	(45)	Q294U AGFC BIOLOGIST	27	\$75,004
3	(46)	Q353U AGFC EDUCATION FACILITY MANAGER	5	\$71,432
4	(47)	Q309U AGFC WILDLIFE OFFICER	1	\$71,432
5	(48)	Q308U AGFC WEBSITE DEVELOPER	2	\$71,432
6	(49)	Q307U AGFC SURVEYOR	2	\$71,432
7	(50)	Q306U AGFC REAL ESTATE OFFICER	1	\$71,432
8	(51)	Q305U AGFC FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	2	\$71,432
9	(52)	Q304U AGFC CENTRAL WAREHOUSE OPERATIONS MGR	1	\$71,432
10	(53)	Q303U AGFC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	2	\$71,432
11	(54)	Q302U AGFC EDUCATION PROGRAM SPECIALIST	26	\$71,432
12	(55)	Q301U AGFC ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	\$71,432
13	(56)	Q300U AGFC LICENSING SUPERVISOR	2	\$71,432
14	(57)	Q357U AGFC ACCOUNTANT II	2	\$68,031
15	(58)	Q316U AGFC PRODUCTION ARTIST	1	\$68,031
16	(59)	Q315U AGFC MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR	2	\$68,031
17	(60)	Q314U AGFC LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	\$68,031
18	(61)	Q313U AGFC HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	\$68,031
19	(62)	Q312U AGFC EDITOR	3	\$68,031
20	(63)	Q311U AGFC COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	3	\$68,031
21	(64)	Q310U AGFC SENIOR TECHNICIAN	15	\$68,031
22	(65)	Q365U AGFC SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	\$67,289
23	(66)	Q322U AGFC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR	1	\$64,791
24	(67)	Q321U AGFC SKILLED TRADES SUPERVISOR	1	\$64,791
25	(68)	Q320U AGFC CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR	8	\$64,791
26	(69)	Q319U AGFC COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS SUPERVISOR	1	\$64,791
27	(70)	Q318U AGFC REGIONAL OFFICE MANAGER	1	\$64,791
28	(71)	Q356U AGFC GIS TECHNICIAN	1	\$62,140
29	(72)	Q337U AGFC CONSERVATION PROGRAM TECHNICIAN	47	\$61,706
30	(73)	Q327U AGFC AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC SUPERVISOR	1	\$61,706
31	(74)	Q326U AGFC SKILLED TRADESMAN	3	\$61,706
32	(75)	Q325U AGFC MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	2	\$61,706
33	(76)	Q324U AGFC FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	6	\$61,706
34	(77)	Q323U AGFC ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	\$61,706
35	(78)	Q364U AGFC SOFTWARE SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	\$60,288
36	(79)	Q333U AGFC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST	10	\$58,767

1	(80)	Q332U AGFC FOOD PREPARATION MANAGER	1	\$58,767
2	(81)	Q331U AGFC FIRING RANGE SPECIALIST	1	\$58,767
3	(82)	Q330U AGFC COMMERCIAL GRAPHIC ARTIST	2	\$58,767
4	(83)	Q329U AGFC CALIBRATION TECHNICIAN	2	\$58,767
5	(84)	Q328U AGFC ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE COORDINATOR	17	\$58,767
6	(85)	Q336U AGFC MULTI-MEDIA SPECIALIST	1	\$55,969
7	(86)	Q335U AGFC MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	6	\$55,969
8	(87)	Q334U AGFC INVENTORY CONTROL MANAGER	2	\$55,969
9	(88)	Q340U AGFC FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	6	\$53,304
10	(89)	Q339U AGFC ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	29	\$53,304
11	(90)	Q342U AGFC PRINTER	1	\$50,131
12	(91)	Q341U AGFC FOOD PREPARATION SUPERVISOR	1	\$50,131
13	(92)	Q343U AGFC LICENSING SPECIALIST	8	\$47,140
14	(93)	Q344U AGFC ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	1	\$44,319
15	(94)	Q345U AGFC MAIL SERVICES SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	\$39,155
16		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	630	

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18 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas
 19 State Game and Fish Commission for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the following
 20 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra
 21 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one hundred
 22 eighty-five (185) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of
 23 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 24 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 25 classification.

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27 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 28 to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, to be payable from the Game
 29 Protection Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas
 30 State Game and Fish Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the
 31 following:

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33	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
35	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$39,586,383
36	(02) EXTRA HELP	1,312,500

1	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	12,957,482
2	(04) OVERTIME	250,000
3	(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	1,000,000
4	(06) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
5	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	34,471,984
6	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	450,535
7	(C) PROF. FEES	4,309,003
8	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	8,885,000
9	(E) DATA PROC.	0
10	(07) GAME AND FISH GRANTS	8,000,000
11	(08) CONSTRUCTION	<u>13,000,000</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$124,222,887</u>

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 14 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - GAS LEASE REVENUES. There is hereby
 15 appropriated, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, to be payable
 16 from the Game Protection Fund, for maintenance and general operations,
 17 capital projects, acquisition of land and conservation easements, grants, and
 18 expenses associated with Natural Disaster Response of the Arkansas State Game
 19 and Fish Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
23	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$350,000
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
26	(C) PROF. FEES	350,000
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	250,000
28	(E) DATA PROC.	0
29	(02) GAS LEASE GRANTS	50,000
30	(03) NATURAL DISASTER RESPONSE	<u>3,000,000</u>
31	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$4,000,000</u>

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 33 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CONSERVATION PARTNERS PROGRAM GRANTS. There
 34 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, to be
 35 payable from the Game Protection Fund, for grants to conservation partners,
 36 or other eligible entities for operating, equipment, and maintenance expenses

1 associated with addressing statewide hunger needs of the Arkansas State Game
 2 and Fish Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
6 (01) CONSERVATION PARTNERS PROGRAM GRANTS	<u>\$150,000</u>

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8 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - BLACK RIVER SETTLEMENT FUNDS. There is
 9 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, to be
 10 payable from the Game Protection Fund, for all expenses associated with the
 11 mitigation to the hardwood timber destruction in the Wildlife Management
 12 Area, inclusive of Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching of the
 13 Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 14 2022, the following:

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16 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
17 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
18 (01) RESTORATION OF BLACK RIVER WMA	
19 EXPENSES	<u>\$13,250,000</u>

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21 SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PAYMENT
 23 OF REWARDS. Payment of rewards shall be from the Game Protection Fund from
 24 the Commission’s Maintenance and General Operation appropriation as herein
 25 appropriated in the Operating Expenses line item of the Operations
 26 appropriation.

27 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
 28 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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30 SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 31 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
 32 PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 33 State, and prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget
 34 Committee, the Agency is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line
 35 item authorized in the Operations appropriation to any other line item
 36 authorized in the Operations appropriation and the Agency is authorized to

1 transfer appropriation from any line item authorized in the Gas Lease
 2 Revenues appropriation to any other line item authorized in the same section.

3 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
 4 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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 6 SECTION 9. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 7 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

8 PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission is hereby
 9 authorized to purchase from the Maintenance & General Operation
 10 Classifications in the Operations Appropriation provided by this Act for
 11 promotional items in an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars
 12 (\$50,000), as authorized by the Director of the Commission to meet fish and
 13 wildlife conservations and education needs.

14 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
 15 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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

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 26 SECTION 11. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
 27 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
 28 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
 29 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2021 is essential to the operation of
 30 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
 31 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
 32 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2021 could work irreparable harm
 33 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
 34 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
 35 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
 36 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2021.