

1 State of Arkansas  
2 93rd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2021  
4

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 96

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 OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
10 AND FUNDS TO ALLEVIATE CONDITIONS ARISING IN PUBLIC  
11 EMERGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022;  
12 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
16 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL  
17 YEAR.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established  
24 for the Office of the Governor for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the following  
25 maximum number of regular employees.  
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| Item No. | Class Code | Title                            | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2021-2022 |
|----------|------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 31       | (1) Q123U  | GOV OFC EXECUTIVE SECRETARY      | 1                        | GRADE SE01                                       |
| 32       | (2) Q133U  | GOV OFC CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL      | 1                        | GRADE GS15                                       |
| 33       | (3) Q022U  | GOV OFC SR. MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT | 7                        | GRADE GS14                                       |
| 34       | (4) Q081U  | GOV OFC SR. EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT  | 4                        | GRADE GS13                                       |
| 35       | (5) Q121U  | GOV OFC MANAGER OFFICER ADMIN    | 1                        | GRADE GS12                                       |
| 36       | (6) Q050U  | GOV OFC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT II   | 4                        | GRADE GS11                                       |



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| 1 | (7)  | Q120U GOV OFC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT I        | 5        | GRADE GS10 |
| 2 | (8)  | Q068U GOV OFC MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST        | 14       | GRADE GS09 |
| 3 | (9)  | Q115U GOV OFC ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT III | 2        | GRADE GS08 |
| 4 | (10) | Q076U GOV OFC ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II  | 15       | GRADE GS07 |
| 5 | (11) | Q114U GOV OFC ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I   | <u>6</u> | GRADE GS06 |
| 6 |      | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES                      | 60       |            |

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8 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for  
 9 the Office of the Governor for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the following  
 10 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra  
 11 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: seven (7)  
 12 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed  
 13 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its  
 14 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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16 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 17 to the Office of the Governor, to be payable from the State Central Services  
 18 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Office of the  
 19 Governor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

| 21 | ITEM                            | FISCAL YEAR               |
|----|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 22 | <u>NO.</u>                      | <u>2021-2022</u>          |
| 23 | (01) REGULAR SALARIES           | \$4,159,629               |
| 24 | (02) EXTRA HELP                 | 8,789                     |
| 25 | (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 1,272,091                 |
| 26 | (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                           |
| 27 | (A) OPER. EXPENSE               | 446,706                   |
| 28 | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL              | 15,200                    |
| 29 | (C) PROF. FEES                  | 14,000                    |
| 30 | (D) CAP. OUTLAY                 | 0                         |
| 31 | (E) DATA PROC.                  | <u>0</u>                  |
| 32 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED       | <u><u>\$5,916,415</u></u> |

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34 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION. There is  
 35 hereby appropriated, to the Office of the Governor, to be payable from the  
 36 Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, for the purpose provided by Arkansas Code 19-2-

1 404 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

| 3 ITEM                                   | FISCAL YEAR      |
|--|------------------|
| 4 <u>NO.</u>                             | <u>2021-2022</u> |
| 5 (01) GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION | <u>\$500,000</u> |

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 7 SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 8 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
 9 PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the  
 10 State, and prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget  
 11 Committee, the Agency is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line  
 12 item authorized in Operations Appropriation of the Governor's Office in this  
 13 Act to any other line item authorized in Operations Appropriation.

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 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 18 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SALARIES.  
 19 In order that exceptionally well-qualified personnel may be recruited and  
 20 retained, the Office of the Governor may exceed the maximum salary levels by  
 21 no more than twenty percent (20%) for no more than one-third (1/3) of the  
 22 positions authorized in the operation appropriation act after receiving  
 23 approval from the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

24 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~  
 25 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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 27 SECTION 7. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
 28 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
 29 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
 30 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
 31 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
 32 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
 33 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
 34 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
 35 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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1 SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
2 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
3 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
4 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
5 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
6 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
7 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
8 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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10 SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
11 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
12 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
13 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2021 is essential to the operation of  
14 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
15 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
16 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2021 could work irreparable harm  
17 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
18 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
19 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
20 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2021.  
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