

ARKANSAS SENATE
89th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2013
Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 991

TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE HIRING OF STATE EMPLOYEES.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 991

Amend Senate Bill No. 991 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 21, Chapter 5, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

21-5-110. Filling of vacant positions.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Position" means a single office or employment that:

(A) Is legislatively authorized in a state agency; and

(B) Requires the services of one (1) full-time equivalent

employee; and

(2)(A) "State agency" means an agency, authority, department, board, commission, bureau, council, or other agency of the state supported by appropriation of state or federal funds.

(B) "State agency" does not include:

(i) An institution of higher education;

(ii) The following constitutional offices:

(a) Governor;

(b) Lieutenant Governor;

(c) Attorney General;

(d) Secretary of State;

(e) Auditor of State;

(f) Treasurer of State; and

(g) Commissioner of State Lands;

(iii) The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission;

and

(iv) The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation

Department.

(b) A state agency shall not fill a position vacant on July 1 of each fiscal year except as provided in this section.

(c) A state agency wishing to fill a position vacant on July 1 of each year shall submit a request to the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration for approval.

(d)(1) If the director approves the request, he or she shall forward the request to the Legislative Council, or to the Joint Budget Committee if the General Assembly is in session, for approval.



(2) If the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee approves the request, the state agency may fill the vacant position.

(3) If the state agency does not fill the position within one hundred twenty (120) days of the approval of the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee, the state agency shall resubmit its request to fill the vacant position to the director.

(e)(1) A state agency shall report each vacant position on July 1 to the Department of Finance and Administration by August 1 of each year.

(2) The Department of Finance and Administration shall submit a report of each vacant position for each state agency to the Legislative Council by September 1 of each year.

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator B. King

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Secretary