

ARKANSAS SENATE
90th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2015
Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 207

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2015-2016
FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 207

Amend Senate Bill No. 207 as originally introduced:

Page 21 immediately following Section 37 insert a new Section to read as follows:

" SECTION 38. APPROPRIATION - AGRICULTURE CASH OPERATING FUND. There is hereby appropriated to the Arkansas Agriculture Department to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$50,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>10,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$60,000</u></u> "

And

Immediately following Section 46 insert a new Section to read as follows:

" SECTION 47. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall establish upon request for the Arkansas Agriculture Department a special Promotional Items appropriation to be used in the acquisition of promotional items. When the Arkansas Agriculture Department wishes to transfer from its operating expenses to the promotional items line, the request shall be



forwarded by the Arkansas Agriculture Department to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State for processing and for prior approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Arkansas Agriculture Department may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Agriculture Department authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016."

And

Appropriately renumber the Sections of the bill.

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

By: Joint Budget Committee
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Secretary