

**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR (0034)
2007-09 BIENNIUM**

(I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

Mission

The executive power of the State of Arkansas is vested with the Governor. The Governor along with other Constitutional Officers serves four year terms.

Total Biennial Budget

The Office of the Governor's total budget is \$5,123,232 the first year and \$5,102,972 the second year of the 2007-2009 biennium. This does not include the Governor's Emergency Proclamations Appropriation.

Funding Source

The Governor's Office is funded through the State Central Services Fund.

The Governor's Emergency Proclamation is appropriated in a separate bill and payable out of the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

The Operations Appropriation is for \$5,123,232 year one and \$5,102,972 year two which is an increase of \$303,935 and \$283,338 for increases in operating expenses including computer system maintenance and support.

The budget for the Governor's Emergency Proclamations is \$500,000 each year of the biennium, which is a continuation of the previous biennium's authorized level for emergency expenditures which are authorized by ACA § 19-2-404.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total positions for FY 2007-09: 59

Total positions for FY 2005-07: 59

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

Carry Forward. Provides that any unexpended balances of appropriation at the end of the first year of the biennium, excluding regular salaries appropriation, may be carried forward and made available for the same purpose the second year of the biennium.

Transfer Provision. Allows the transfer of funds between line items in the operations appropriation with prior review by the Legislative Council.

Salaries. Allows the Governor's Office to exceed the maximum salary levels by no more than 20% for no more than 1/3 of the authorized positions to recruit and retain well-qualified personnel.