

ARKANSAS SENTENCING COMMISSION

(AGENCY 0328) - 2007-09 BIENNIUM

BUDGET INFORMATION ACCORDING TO ACT 400 of 2007

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Sentencing Commission was established for instituting sentencing standards to ensure sanctions imposed following conviction are proportional to the seriousness of the offense and the extent of the offender's criminal history. The Sentencing Commission has developed the sentencing grid, the seriousness reference table, and established transfer eligibility for all offenses. The Commission also provides data analysis of criminal justice laws, policies, and practices.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total budget for the Sentencing Commission is \$351,074 the first year and \$352,672 the second year of the biennium.

FUNDING SOURCE

The Commission is funded from General Revenue through the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund.

II) CHANGES/APPROPRIATIONS

Operations

Additional increases of \$15,000 FY08 and \$12,000 FY09 in operating expenses and \$4,000 each year in professional fees.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS:

Total Positions for FY 2007-09 Biennium: 5

Total Positions for FY 2005-07 Biennium: 5

NONE

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

NONE