

**DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (995) - 2007-09 BIENNIUM  
BUDGET INFORMATION ACCORDING TO ALC/JBC RECOMMENDATIONS**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Department of Emergency Management administers the state's Emergency Operation Plan, maintains a statewide telecommunications network, provides assistance and coordination during man-made and natural disasters and emergencies in the state and administers the Fire Protection Services program to develop most effective fire departments within the state.

**TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET**

Total amount appropriated for the first fiscal year is \$150,724,708 and \$150,793,015 for the second fiscal year.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The Department of Emergency Management is funded through a mix of state, federal and special revenues.

**II) CHANGES/APPROPRIATIONS**

- Additional Operating Expenses to cover increases in postage, maintenance and other associated expenses.
- An increase of \$3,000,000 each year to purchase new computers and associated IT equipment for 10 counties that are closest to the Pine Bluff Arsenal.
- Increase of \$20,000 each year to provide additional instructors necessary to teach various emergency management training classes.
- An increase of \$100,000 each year to purchase necessary equipment to maintain an adequate level of readiness to respond to disasters.
- Provides for 4 new positions to increase catastrophic planning and statewide disaster preparedness throughout the state.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS**

Total positions for FY 2007-09: 82

Total budget positions for FY 2007: 77

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

- The State Office of Emergency Services is Authorized to transfer positions between appropriations should a disaster occur.