

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (800)**  
**2011-13 BIENNIUM**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

"The mission of the Department of Labor (DOL) is to foster, promote, and develop the health, safety and welfare of the wage earners of Arkansas by providing services and enforcing laws to improve working conditions and enhance their opportunities for safe and profitable employment." The DOL has four functional units: Occupational Safety and Health, Labor Standards, Code Enforcement and Public Safety, and Administrative Services.

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

The total appropriation is \$7,695,893 for FY2012 and \$7,809,397 for FY2013 which is an increase of \$538,693 and \$652,197 respectively.

**FUNDING SOURCES**

The appropriations for the Department of Labor are funded by general revenue, special revenue which includes license, renewal, permit, & inspection fees, federal funds, cash funds, and fund balances.

**II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES**

**STATE OPERATIONS (APPROPRIATION 148)**

This appropriation is used to support the operations of the agency and to provide the match for federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), Revised Occupational Safety and Health Statistics (ROSH), and Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) grants. It is funded by general revenue, federal funds, and special revenue. The total appropriation is \$4,257,299 for FY2012 and \$4,329,106 for FY2013 which is an increase of \$272,649 and \$344,456, respectively and includes the following increases:

**Regular Salaries and Matching** - Provides an increase of \$137,967 each year for the restoration of two (2) Labor Inspectors (Grade C119) and one (1) Labor Standards Investigator (Grade C116). The positions are needed in anticipation of several retirements, and due to increase in workload in the Elevator Safety, Arkansas Occupational Safety and Health and the Labor Standards Division. Also provides an increase of \$134,682 for FY2012 and \$206,489 for FY2013 for a cost of living increase.

**BOILER INSPECTION (APPROPRIATION 149)**

This appropriation is funded by special revenue and is used to administer the Boiler Inspection program which regulates the operation of boilers and pressure vessels. Provides an appropriation of \$1,096,944 for FY2012 and \$1,110,985 for FY2013 which includes the following increases:

**Regular Salaries and Matching** - Provides an increase of \$35,433 each year to restore 1 Administrative Specialist III (Grade C112) to allow the Department to fill this position and provide training in anticipation of retirement of other experienced staff. Also includes an increase of \$31,581 for FY2012 and \$45,622 for FY2013 for a cost of living increase.

**BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS (APPROPRIATION 2CT)**

This appropriation is funded by special revenues from fees collected for license issuance and renewal fees and is used for the operation of the Electrical Examiners Board. The total appropriation is \$700,938 for FY2012 and \$712,576 for FY2013, and includes the

following increase:

**Regular Salaries and Matching** - Provides an increase of \$21,065 for FY2012 and \$32,703 for FY2013 for a cost of living increase.

**FEDERAL PROGRAMS (APPROPRIATION 151)**

This appropriation is 100% federally funded, and is used for the receipt of grant funds for conducting OSHA consultation, Mine Safety and Health Consultation and Training, and the Occupational Injuries and Fatalities Survey. Provides an appropriation of \$1,387,712 for FY2012 and \$1,403,730 for FY2013 which includes the following increases:

**Regular Salaries and Matching** - Provides an increase of \$143,859 each year to restore 3 Labor Inspector positions (Grade C119) for the OSHA Consultation Program that were not budgeted in FY2010-11 due to fiscal constraints.

Also includes an increase of \$34,106 for FY2012 and \$50,124 for FY2013 for a cost of living increase.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS**

Total Positions for 2011-13 Biennium: 99

Total Budgeted Positions for FY 2010-11: 95

Increase / (Decrease): 4

Provides a net increase of 4 positions which is the result of restoring 3 authorized but unbudgeted positions for the State Operations Appropriation, 1 position for the Boiler Inspection Appropriation, and 3 positions for the Federal Operations Appropriation offset by a reduction of 3 Labor Inspector positions.

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

None.

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