

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

#0960 - 2011-13 BIENNIUM

Act 1104 of 2011

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES.

The Arkansas State Police is the primary law enforcement agency for the State. The Arkansas State Police is organized into five distinct areas of operational responsibilities including: the Director's office, Administrative Services Division, Highway Patrol Division, Crimes Against Children Division, and the Criminal Investigations Division. The ASP is responsible for enforcement of traffic laws, criminal laws, and investigation of motor vehicular crashes, cases of child abuse, maltreatment and neglect, protection of the public and public property and apprehension of criminals. Additionally, the department is responsible for driver's license testing and other regulatory functions.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

The total budget for the State Police exceeds \$142 million each year of the biennium.

FUNDING SOURCES

Arkansas State Police is financed from General Revenues; various Special Revenues, including the Arkansas Drivers License Fees, Commercial Drivers License Fees, permit fees for concealed weapons and used motor vehicle dealer licensure fees; Federal funds/reimbursements; a yearly transfer from DHS to support Crimes against Children Division; and Miscellaneous revenue sources.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES:

- Authorized appropriation for FY2011 totals \$142,402,998, with one thousand fifteen (1,015) authorized employees and twenty (20) extra help positions. The Department of State Police is funded from general revenues; various special revenues including drivers license fees, commercial drivers license fees, child passenger protection fines, background check fees, permit fees for concealed weapons and used motor vehicle dealer licensure fees; federal funds consisting of grants and reimbursements; a yearly transfer from DHS to support the Crimes against Children Division; and miscellaneous revenues.
- Twenty nine (29) additional positions including (20) Corporal positions, two (2) Crimes Against Children Senior Investigator positions, one (1) Telecommunications Specialist, one (1) ASP Executive Security Guard, four (4) Fire Marshall Inspector, and one (1) Motorcycle Safety Program Specialist.
- Operations appropriation increase to maintain essential programs including increased fuel costs of \$2.3 million.
- Highway Safety Program Federal - \$7.1 million appropriation increase for various highway safety programs including the purchase of equipment, data processing supplies, and development of the E-Citation Program.
- Automated Fingerprint Identification System increases totaling \$3.6 million, for increases in INA and FBI checks, the purchase of additional equipment including electronic fingerprint capture stations, AFIS hardware upgrades and fingerprint storage.
- Criminal Background Check appropriation increase of approximately \$1 million.
- New Special Language - Authorizes one United States flag to be awarded to the family of any ASP Commissioned Officer killed in the line of duty.

III) ADDITIONAL/DECREASE IN POSITIONS: 29 Additional Positions, including (20) Corporal positions, two (2) Crimes Against Children Senior Investigator positions, one (1) Telecommunications Specialist, one (1) ASP Executive Security Guard, one (1) Fire Marshall Inspector, and one (1) Motorcycle Safety Program Specialist

Total Positions for FY2011-13: 1015

Total Budgeted for FY2011: 989

Extra Help Positions: 20

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

- **NEW LANGUAGE: FLAGS** - Authorizes one United States flag to be awarded to the family of any ASP Commissioned Officer killed in the line of duty.
- **PROMOTIONAL ITEMS:** Allows purchase of promotional items in an amount not to exceed \$2500 from the maintenance and operating expenses line item in the operations appropriation for recruitment purposes.
- **COURT AWARDS FUND TRANSFER PROVISION:** Monies deposited in the Court Awards Fund each year may be used for motor vehicle purchases and associated taxes, motor vehicle equipping and renovation costs and/or agency operational needs and capital improvements. Provided, funds received from the Special State Assets Forfeiture Fund shall be deposited into the Court Awards fund and used for purposes consistent with governing federal law. Allows for a fund transfer from the Court Awards Fund or the State Police Fund to the Motor Vehicle Acquisition Fund. Subject to prior review and approval by ALC/JBC.
- **TRANSFER PROVISION** - After approval by the CFO of the State, provides appropriation transfer authority from the Confiscated Funds Transfer to the Operations, maintenance and general operations line item, and may be used for motor vehicle purchases and associated taxes, motor vehicle equipping and renovation costs or agency operational needs and capital improvements. Fund transfers from the Court Awards Fund to the Arkansas State Police Fund in the same amount and for the same purpose of the appropriation transfer. Subject to prior review and approval by ALC/JBC.
- **MOTOR VEHICLE ACQUISITION REVOLVING FUND - MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES/RENOVATION:** Requires at least 50% of the general revenues or general improvement funds deposited into said fund shall be used for motor vehicle purchases and/or motor vehicle renovation costs.
- **OVERTIME** - Authorizes overtime payments.
- **MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASE:** Authorizes the purchase of motor vehicles from the ASP Operating Appropriation, Capital Outlay line item. Excludes donated and confiscated vehicles in the count of maximum number of authorized vehicles.
- **UNIFORM EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM REPORTING** - ASP shall report monthly the activity and condition for the uniformed employee health insurance plan.
- **EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES:** Authorizes purchase of essential items in an emergency, not to exceed \$2500 each year.