

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE (0960)
FISCAL YEAR 2014 & 2015 - ACT 1384 OF 2013

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

The Arkansas State Police is responsible for the 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. ASP is also responsible for driver's license testing and other regulatory functions.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

The total appropriation is \$146,550,202 the first year and \$146,810,204 the second year of the biennium.

FUNDING SOURCES

Arkansas State Police is financed from general revenues; various special revenues including Arkansas drivers license fees, commercial drivers license fees, license fees for security guards and private investigators, permit fees for concealed weapons and used motor vehicle dealer licensure fees; Federal funds, grants, and reimbursements; a yearly transfer from DHS to support the Crimes against Children Division; and miscellaneous revenues.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES:

Operations - appropriation increases totaling \$6,576,254 FY14 and \$5,125,495 FY15, with additional sufficient general revenue funding to address inequities in compensation of commissioned officers.

Appropriation changes provide for regular salary and matching of \$4,075,021 FY14 and \$3,756,706 FY15 for position restorations, reclassifications and additional positions; operating expense increases of \$1,842,067 FY14 and \$962,222 FY15 to replace telephone systems, maintenance and repair of equipment and software, and vehicle maintenance; capital outlay of \$625,718 FY14 and \$410,000 FY15 for IT and vehicle equipment purchases.

Highway Safety Program Federal - appropriation increases of \$678,590 FY14 and \$574,342 FY15; include overtime and matching of \$455,898 FY14 and \$393,950 FY15 for anticipated federal grant funding; capital outlay of \$179,300 FY14 and \$137,500 FY15 to purchase various technology equipment, a hanger fan and ground power unit.

Homeland Security Federal - appropriation increases of \$206,709 FY14 and \$72,109 FY15, include operating expenses of \$32,109 FY14 and \$3,609 FY15 for software maintenance contracts; conference and travel expense increases of \$34,600 FY14 for Fusion Center related expenses; capital outlay appropriation of \$140,000 FY14 and \$68,500 FY15 to purchase port replicators and 2 bomb robots.

Automated Fingerprint Identification System - appropriation increase of \$2,270,000 each fiscal year; \$270,000 for the purchase of mobile AFIS units and capital outlay of \$2,000,000 for technology purchases, electronic finger capture station, AFIS hardware and storage.

Various Federal Programs - appropriation increases totaling \$223,939 FY14 and \$329,688 FY15 for anticipated federal funding in support of Internet Crimes Against Children programs.

Criminal Background Checks - appropriation increases of \$413,048 each year for software upgrades to the Criminal Background Check System.

Arkansas Wireless Information Network - appropriation increases of

\$770,900 each year; operating expense line item of \$90,000 for tower leases and vehicle maintenance expenses; technology related expenses of \$680,000 for a maintenance contract cost increase, satellite phone system, and systems frequencies licensing. Additional General Revenue funding of \$180,927 allocated for operating expenses.

III) POSITIONS:

FY 2014 - twenty nine (29) additional positions including (25) Corporal, (2) Admin Spec II, (1) Forensic Specialist, and (1) ASP Major; fifteen (15) restorations; three (3) reclassifications; and one (1) swap pool position. **FY 2015** - (54) new - (25) Corporal

Total Positions FY 2014: 1041

Total Positions FY 2015: 1066

Extra Help Positions: 20

Total Budgeted Positions FY 2013: 1000

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE:

New Language: Act provides sufficient appropriation and funding to address salary inequities with the ranks of State Police Corporals and State Police Sergeants with adjustments totaling \$828,407.

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.