



JOHN THURSTON

ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE

April 5, 2024

Honorable Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Honorable Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
One Capitol Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Dismang and Representative Jean:

The Secretary of State Office (SOS) respectfully requests to add sections 1 through 3 for our 2025 fiscal year. We would like to add sections 2 and 3(b) as a supplemental bill for our 2024 fiscal year.

1. New appropriation to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund for personal services and operation expenses for Capitol Police of the Secretary of State fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

ITEM NO	2024-2025
(1) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,338,187
(2) PERSONAL SERVICES MATICING	\$935,275
(3) MAINT.&GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$842,312
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	\$0.00
(C) PROF. FEES	\$0.00
(D) CAPITOL OUTLAY	\$209,713
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$4,325,487

2. Appropriation for One-time expenses related to Capitol Police is hereby appropriated to the Secretary of State, to be payable from State central Service Fund, for professional fees and services for the build out of the Big Mac building, officer equipment, radio amplifiers for multiple locations, camera upgrades for dispatch, dispatch remodels and computer hardware. We plan to ask for \$1,806,419 for FY 24 and FY25 but only plan to spend all together in both fiscal years, \$1,806,419.

ITEM NO		2024-2025
(1)	MAINT.&GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,138,000
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	\$0
	(C) PROF. FEES	\$0
	(D) CAPITOL OUTLAY	\$668,419
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$1,806,419

3. The Arkansas Secretary of State's office respectfully requests the Regular Salaries and Matching funds of our current appropriation in order to remain competitive in the recruiting and the retention of qualified employees. We are amending HB1035 to add \$308,911 to salary plus \$123,565 personal service match.

- (a) Appropriation for Current positions fiscal Year 2024-2025:

			Current	Request	
1	Q178U	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE CHIEF	1	\$95,204	\$110,642
2	Q181U	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE CAPTAIN	1	\$76,464	\$99,678
3	Q187U	SEC OF STATE POLICE SERGEANT	5	\$61,529	\$79,800
4	Q225U	SEC OF STATE DISPATCHER	2	\$39,637	\$45,000
5	Q201U	SEC OF STATE CORPORAL	24	\$61,418	\$70,300

*These requested amounts replace a previous request for current Capitol Police positions with a 3 percent raise in addition to a 10 percent raise to the maximum line item for position salaries.

- (b) Appropriation for New positions Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and Fiscal Year 2024-2025:

1	_____	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE LIEUTENANT	1	\$89,800
2	_____	SEC OF STATE TRAINING SERGEANT	1	\$84,800
3	Q187U	SEC OF STATE POLICE CORPORAL	29	\$70,300
4	Q225U	SEC OF STATE DISPATCHER	1	\$45,000
5	_____	SEC OF STATE DAY SHIFT COMPLEX SGT	1	\$79,800
6	_____	SEC OF STATE PROGRAM ANALYST	1	\$76,000

We appreciate your consideration and service to our state. Should you have questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Thurston". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "J".

John Thurston

Secretary of State

Hall of the House of Representatives

94th General Assembly - Fiscal Session, 2024

Amendment Form

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1035

AN ACT FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1035

Amend House Bill No. 1035 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 35, delete "\$95,204" and substitute with "\$110,642"

AND

Page 2, line 6, delete "\$76,464" and substitute with "\$99,678"

AND

Page 2, line 12, delete "\$68,529" and substitute with "\$79,800"

AND

Page 2, line 17, delete "\$61,418" and substitute with "\$70,300"

AND

Page 3, line 6, delete "\$39,637" and substitute with "\$45,000"

AND

Page 3, line 31, delete "\$9,559,104" and substitute with "\$9,868,015"

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "3,452,735" and substitute with "3,576,300"

AND

Page 4, line 8, delete "\$22,065,635" and substitute with "\$22,498,111"

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Page 4, immediately following SECTION 3, insert the following:

" SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - CAPITOL POLICE. There is hereby established for the Secretary of State for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2024-2025
(1)	Q440U	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE LIEUTENANT	1	\$89,800
(2)	Q441U	SEC OF STATE TRAINING SERGEANT	1	\$84,800
(3)	Q442U	SEC OF STATE DAY SHIFT COMPLEX SGT.	1	\$79,800
(4)	Q443U	SEC OF STATE PROGRAM ANALYST	1	\$76,000
(5)	Q187U	SEC OF STATE POLICE CORPORAL	29	\$70,300
(6)	Q225U	SEC OF STATE DISPATCHER	<u>1</u>	\$45,000
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	34	

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CAPITOL POLICE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Capitol Police of the Secretary of State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,338,187
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	935,275
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	842,312
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	209,713
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$4,325,487</u>

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - CAPITOL POLICE EQUIPMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for professional fees and services for the build out of the Big Mac building, officer equipment, radio amplifiers, camera upgrades, dispatch remodels and computer hardware of the Secretary of State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,138,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	668,419
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>

TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED

\$1,806,419"

AND

Appropriately renumber all SECTIONS of the bill.

The Amendment was read _____
By: Joint Budget Committee
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Chief Clerk