

STATE OF ARKANSAS ASA HUTCHINSON GOVERNOR

January 14, 2015

Senator Larry Teague, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

Please find attached an appropriation bill for the session expenses of my office. This bill will help ensure the efficient operation of this Office during the 90th General Assembly.

I respectfully request introduction of this bill as a Joint Budget Committee Bill.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Asa Hutchinson

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Attachment

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 90th General Assembly.

1	State of Arkansas
2	90th General Assembly A Bill
3	Regular Session, 2015
4	By: Joint Budget Committee
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6	For An Act To Be Entitled
7	AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR SALARIES AND
8	EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNOR'S LEGISLATIVE LIAISONS,
9	LEGISLATIVE CLERK, LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT CLERK,
10	LEGISLATIVE SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT,
11	LEGISLATIVE RECEPTIONIST AND LEGISLATIVE
12	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT DURING THE NINETIETH
13	SESSION OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE
14	OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
15	JUNE 30, 2015; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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17	Subtitle
18	AN ACT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR -
19	LEGISLATIVE LIAISONS, LEGISLATIVE CLERK,
20	LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT CLERK, LEGISLATIVE
21	SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT,
22	LEGISLATIVE RECEPTIONIST AND LEGISLATIVE
23	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT APPROPRIATION.
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25	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27	SECTION 1. EXTRA HELP - LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANCE. There is hereby
28	authorized, for the Office of the Governor - Legislative Liaison Staff for the
29	2014-2015 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary
30	employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein
31	for such purposes: one (1) Governor's Legislative Clerk at \$1,100 per week,
32	one (1) Governor's Legislative Assistant Clerk at \$550 per week, one (1)
33	Governor's Legislative Senior Administrative Assistant at \$525 per week, one
34	(1) Governor's Legislative Receptionist at \$475 per week and one (1)
35	Governor's Legislative Administrative Assistant at \$450 per week.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANCE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Office of the Governor, to be payable from the Constitutional Officers Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Office of the Governor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the following:

7	ITEM		FIS	CAL YEAR	
8	NO.		2014-2015		
9	(01)	EXTRA HELP	\$	77,500	
10	(02)	MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND EXPENSES		226,250	
11	(03)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	5.1	5,929	
12		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$	309,679	

SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. LIAISONS AUTHORIZED. The Governor is hereby authorized to employ one (1) Lead Legislative Liaison who shall serve without pay but shall be entitled to per diem of up to two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each day the General Assembly is in regular session and four (4) Legislative Liaisons who shall serve without pay but shall each be entitled to per diem of up to two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for each day the General Assembly is in regular session.

After receiving approval of the Governor, the Department of Finance and Administration - Management Services Division is hereby authorized to process payments to said Liaisons from funds authorized by this Act.

SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PAYMENT OF SALARIES AND PER DIEM. Salaries and per diem as authorized in Section 1 and Section 3 of this Act shall be in effect from and after January 12, 2015.

SECTION 5. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control

laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

Assembly that the effectiveness of this Act on the date of its passage and approval is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond the date of its passage and approval could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval. If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto.