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95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025
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Subtitle of Senate Bill 106

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-
2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ____ to Senate Bill 106

Amend Senate Bill 106 as engrossed S1/29/25 (version: 1/29/25 11:05:20 AM):

On Page 18, Line 28, delete "160,682" and substitute "660,682".

AND

On Page 18, Line 29, delete "\$402,682" and substitute "\$902,682".

AND

On Page 40, immediately following SECTION 69, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

"SECTION 70. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL OR TEMPORARY LAW. BUFFALO RIVER WATERSHED GRANTS AND PROJECTS. The Department of Agriculture shall budget, allocate, and expend five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) in grants for projects to the Buffalo River Watershed Grants and Projects line item in the Agriculture Cash Operation Fund appropriation section, to be used exclusively to award grants for projects in the Buffalo River Watershed.

The provision of this section shall be in affect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026."

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AND

Appropriately renumber the subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

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By: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

By: Senator Irvin

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Secretary

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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2 95th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2025
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As Engrossed: 5/29/25

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SENATE BILL 106

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 AGRICULTURE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026;
12 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
17 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL
18 YEAR.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby
24 established for the Department of Agriculture - Shared Services for the 2025-
25 2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.
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27			Maximum Annual
28		Maximum	Salary Rate
29	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
30	No. Code Title	Employees	2025-2026
31	(1) SC001 SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE	1	GRADE SE05
32	(2) U072U DEPUTY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE	1	GRADE SE02
33	(3) U057U AGRI LABORATORY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
34	(4) L104C AGRI LABORATORY COORDINATOR	1	GRADE MP04
35	(5) D022N IT SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE IT09
36	(6) D007C INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	2	GRADE IT08



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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	NO.	2025-2026
4	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
5	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$36,000
6	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,000
7	(C) PROF. FEES	0
8	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
9	(E) DATA PROC.	0
10	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$40,000</u>

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12 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - AGRICULTURE CASH OPERATING FUND. There is

13 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the

14 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal

15 Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture

16 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	NO.	2025-2026
20	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
21	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$40,000
22	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	200,000
23	(C) PROF. FEES	0
24	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
25	(E) DATA PROC.	0
26	(02) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	2,000
27	(03) BUFFALO RIVER WATERSHED GRANTS &	
28	PROJECTS	<u>160,682</u>
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$402,682</u>

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31 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION - INDUSTRIAL HEMP RESEARCH PROGRAM. There is

32 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the

33 Arkansas Industrial Hemp Program Fund, for personal services and operating

34 expenses to administer the Industrial Hemp Program of the Department of

35 Agriculture - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the

36 following:

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2 SECTION 69. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
3 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY
4 FORWARD - NRC.

5 At the end of the fiscal year, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall
6 authorize the carry forward of funds to support the amount of obligated
7 grants that are certified by the Natural Resources Commission for Water
8 Quality Technicians in the appropriation entitled "Water Quality Plan
9 Implementation".

10 Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may
11 be carried forward under the following conditions:

12 (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026 the Agency shall by written statement set
13 forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the
14 Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;

15 (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall
16 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the
17 September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting
18 which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or
19 Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward from the first
20 fiscal year to the second fiscal year, the program name or line item, the
21 funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set
22 forth in (1) above;

23 (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written
24 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
25 containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written
26 statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for
27 which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30)
28 days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents
29 its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget
30 Committee; and

31 (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include
32 all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a
33 statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

34 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2024
35 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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SECTION 70. 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 71. 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.

SECTION 72. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2025 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 legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2025 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 July 1, 2025.

/s/Joint Budget Committee

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Subtitle of Senate Bill 81

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - STATE PARKS
AND TOURISM DIVISIONS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ____ to Senate Bill 81

Amend Senate Bill 81 as originally introduced:

Page 15, immediately following Section 23, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

"SECTION 24. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL OR TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING TRANSFER — BUFFALO RIVER WATERSHED GRANTS AND PROJECTS. Immediately upon the effective date of this act, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of the State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from the Tourism Development Trust Fund to the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury operated by the Department of Agriculture to provide funds for the Department of Agriculture to award grants for projects in the Buffalo River watershed.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026."

AND

Appropriately renumber the subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

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By: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

By: Senator Irvin

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Secretary

State of Arkansas
95th General Assembly
Regular Session, 2025

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SENATE BILL 81

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS,
HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - STATE PARKS AND TOURISM
DIVISIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS,
HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - STATE PARKS AND
TOURISM DIVISIONS APPROPRIATION FOR THE
2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - State Parks and Tourism
Divisions for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of
regular employees.

		Maximum Annual	
		Maximum	Salary Rate
		No. of	Fiscal Year
Item	Class		
No.	Code Title	Employees	2025-2026
(1)	U068U ADPHT PARKS DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	U067U ADPHT TOURISM DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(3)	N223N ADPHT PARKS DIV DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS14
(4)	S001C ADPHT PARKS OPERATIONS MGR	1	GRADE GS12



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1 maximum of one thousand eight hundred (1,800) hours during seasonal events at
 2 War Memorial Stadium. The rates of pay may not exceed those provided in the
 3 Uniform Classification Act, or its successor, for the appropriate
 4 classification.

5 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2024
 6 2025 through June 30, 2025 2026.

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 8 SECTION 23. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
 10 PROMOTIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS. The Division of Arkansas State Parks
 11 and Tourism is hereby authorized to purchase from Maintenance and General
 12 Operations appropriations provided by this Act, up to an amount not to exceed
 13 \$75,000 each fiscal year, promotional and educational merchandise, authorized
 14 by the Secretary of the Department of Arkansas Parks, Heritage, and Tourism,
 15 to inform the public of the Division's programs, to promote the functions of
 16 the Division, and to inform the public regarding services provided by the
 17 Division.

18 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025,
 19 through June 30, 2026.

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 21 SECTION 24. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 22 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 23 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 24 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 25 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 26 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 27 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 28 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 29 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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 31 SECTION 25. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
 32 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
 33 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
 34 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 35 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
 36 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or

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Subtitle of Senate Bill 130

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-
2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ____ to Senate Bill 130

Amend Senate Bill 130 as originally introduced:

Page 12, immediately following Section 5, insert the following:

" SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS - ASU SYSTEM SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University, to be payable from the Arkansas State University Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas State University System Shared Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$0
(02) EXTRA HELP	0
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	0
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	0
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) FUNDED DEPRECIATION	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$0</u>

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SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - CASH FUNDS - ASU SYSTEM SHARED SERVICES.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas State University System Shared Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$0
(02) EXTRA HELP	0
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	0
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	0
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) FUNDED DEPRECIATION	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$0</u>

SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ASU SYSTEM SHARED SERVICES REALLOCATIONS. Upon determination by the President of the ASU System that a reallocation of resources for purposes of reorganization or consolidation of administrative functions within the System is necessary for efficient and effective operations of the System, the President, with approval of the board of trustees, may have the authority to transfer positions, appropriations and related funds between campuses, divisions, branches, and other budgetary units of the System, after receiving prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. The transfers of positions, programs, or activities shall be used for those purposes for which the appropriations were approved by the General Assembly. The transfers, consolidations, or reorganizations which involve academic programs shall be reviewed by the Division of Higher Education as applicable.

No Tobacco Settlement funds or appropriations may be reallocated pursuant to this section.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for institutions of higher education each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for institutions of higher education and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that institutions of higher education may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to institutions of higher education authorizing broad powers under this section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. "

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent sections of the bill.

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator J. Dismang

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Secretary

State of Arkansas
95th General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 130

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE
UNIVERSITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL
YEAR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established
for the Arkansas State University for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the
following maximum number of regular employees.

		Maximum Annual
		Salary Rate
Item	No. of	Fiscal Year
No.	Title	Employees
2025-2026		
<u>ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - SYSTEM</u>		
<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>		
(1)	President, Arkansas State University	1 \$435,855
(2)	Executive Vice President	1 \$273,183
(3)	Vice President	5 \$253,319



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provided by law, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	MAXIMUM ALLOCATION FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(1) JONESBORO CAMPUS	\$72,767,154
(2) ASU - SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION	3,325,358
(3) HERITAGE SITES	2,476,122
(4) DELTA CENTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	<u>453,563</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT ALLOCATED	<u>\$79,022,197</u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CASH FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas State University for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$36,000,000
(02) EXTRA HELP	10,970,000
(03) OVERTIME	30,000
(04) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	15,500,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	47,000,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000,000
(C) PROF. FEES	27,675,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	11,000,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(06) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	51,396,158
(07) DEBT SERVICE	18,000,000
(08) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	200,000
(09) RESALE	<u>125,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$223,896,158</u>

SECTION 6. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds

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Subtitle of Senate Bill 354

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION
DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.

Amendment No. ____ to Senate Bill 354

Amend Senate Bill 354 as originally introduced:

Page 1, immediately following SECTION 1, insert new sections that read as follows:

"

SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

APPROPRIATION EXPENDITURE RESTRICTION. (a) The appropriation titled "Capital Improvement Projects" for costs associated with prison construction in Section 1 of this Act shall only be able to be budgeted, allocated or expended under the following conditions;

(1) The General Assembly establishes a Restricted Reserve Fund Set-Aside for "Prison Construction" in an amount no less than seven hundred fifty million dollars (\$750,000,000);

(A) The funds that make up the Restricted Reserve Fund Set-Aside for "Prison Construction" shall not originate, be diverted from, or transferred from the Catastrophic Reserve Fund or the Arkansas Reserve Fund Set-Aside in the Restricted Reserve Fund;

(B) Funds for the Set-Aside for "Prison Construction" may originate from earnings from the Securities Reserve Fund and other unobligated revenues as determined by the General Assembly other than those set out in (a)(1)(A); and

(C) The Restricted Reserve Fund Set-Aside for "Prison Construction" shall require prior approval of the greater of three-fifths (3/5) of the quorum present or a majority of the membership of the Legislative Council or,

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if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee as set out in 19-5-1263(c).

(2) The General Assembly establishes a Restricted Reserve Fund Set-Aside for "Prison Construction or Contingency" in an amount no less than two hundred fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000);

(A) The funds that make up the Restricted Reserve Fund Set-Aside for "Prison Construction or Contingency" shall not originate, be diverted from, or transferred from the Catastrophic Reserve Fund or the Arkansas Reserve Fund Set-Aside in the Restricted Reserve Fund;

(B) Funds for the Set-Aside for "Prison Construction or Contingency" may originate from earnings from the Securities Reserve Fund and other unobligated revenues as determined by the General Assembly other than those set out in (a)(2)(A); and

(C) The Restricted Reserve Fund Set-Aside for "Prison Construction or Contingency" shall require prior approval of the greater of three-fifths (3/5) of the quorum present or a majority of the membership of the Legislative Council or, if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee as set out in 19-5-1263(c).

(b) Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation, funding and construction projects for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by funds set-aside for projects, delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency, and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Corrections may operate more efficiently if some funds are set-aside with the ability to disburse funds as needed during the interim to provide flexibility to the Department. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section and the associated appropriation is void.

(c) The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 19-5-905(a)(12), concerning the use of the

Securities Reserve Fund, is amended to read as follows:

(12) After all distributions and transfers under this section, less one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) under § 19-3-521(a)(2), for a transfer by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State on the last business day of the fiscal year of the fund balance to the ~~Catastrophic Reserve Fund~~ General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund."

AND

Appropriately renumber all subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Hickey

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Secretary

State of Arkansas
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 354

By: Senator J. Dismang
By: Representative Jean

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT
AND ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- DIVISION OF CORRECTION DEVELOPMENT AND
ENHANCEMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. There is
hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections - Division of
Correction, to be payable from the Development and Enhancement Fund, the
following:

(A) for costs associated with prison construction, in a sum not to
exceed\$750,000,000.

SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or



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