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1 State of Arkansas
2 88th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2011

As Engrossed: S3/7/11

A Bill

SENATE BILL 105

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL
9 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS
10 STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
11 JUNE 30, 2012; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STUDENT LOAN
15 AUTHORITY APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2011-2012
16 FISCAL YEAR.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
23 Arkansas Student Loan Authority for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the following
24 maximum number of regular employees.
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				Maximum	Maximum Annual
				No. of	Salary Rate
	Item	Class			Fiscal Year
	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2011-2012
30	(1)	N024N	DIRECTOR STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY	1	GRADE N910
31	(2)	A001N	STUDENT LOAN CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	1	GRADE N903
32	(3)	D007C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
33	(4)	G239C	ASLA PROGRAM OFFICER	2	GRADE C127
34	(5)	A022C	STUDENT LOAN FINANCE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C125
35	(6)	G240C	ASLA PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C121
36	(7)	D056C	SYSTEMS COORDINATION ANALYST	1	GRADE C120



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1	(8) C010C	EXECUTIVE ASST TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE C118
2	(9) A082C	ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE C117
3	(10) A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
4	(11) G207C	FINANCIAL AID ANALYST	8	GRADE C115
5	(12) C087C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	<u>1</u>	GRADE C106
6		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	20	

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 8 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 9 Arkansas Student Loan Authority, to be payable from the cash funds as defined
 10 by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Student Loan Authority, for
 11 personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Student Loan
 12 Authority for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the following:

14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	NO.	2011-2012
16	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$945,665
17	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	283,716
18	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
19	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	225,997
20	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	22,839
21	(C) PROF. FEES	7,694,289
22	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
23	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
24	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$9,172,506</u>

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 26 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 27 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
 28 OF CONTRACT EMPLOYEE SALARIES. Any individual employed through Edfinancial
 29 Services LLC and who is a contract worker with the Arkansas Student Loan
 30 Authority without a break in service as defined by the State of Arkansas,
 31 shall be eligible to transfer their annual salary, as defined in the
 32 contractual agreement with the Arkansas Student Loan Authority, upon the date
 33 of transfer. Effective upon the date of transfer, the individual shall
 34 become an employee of the State of Arkansas governed by all applicable rules
 35 and regulations of the State of Arkansas.

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1 SECTION 4. EMPLOYMENT OF ATTORNEYS. None of the funds appropriated in
2 this Act for Maintenance and General Operation shall be expended in payment
3 for services of attorneys, unless the agency shall first make a request in
4 writing to the Attorney General of the State of Arkansas to provide the
5 required legal services. The Attorney General's Office shall provide the
6 requested legal services, or, if the Attorney General's Office shall
7 determine that sufficient personnel are not available to provide the
8 requested legal services, the Attorney General shall certify the same to the
9 agency and may authorize the agency to employ legal counsel and to expend
10 monies appropriated for Maintenance and General Operations therefor, if:

11 (1) The Attorney General determines, and certifies in writing, that
12 such agency needs the advice or assistance of legal counsel, and

13 (2) The Attorney General consents in writing to the employment of the
14 legal counsel to be retained by the agency.

15 Such certification shall be required with respect to each instance of
16 the employment of special legal counsel, or shall be required annually with
17 respect to legal counsel employed on a retainer basis. A copy of such
18 certification shall be entered in the official minutes of the agency, and
19 shall be retained in the fiscal records of the agency for audit purposes.
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21 SECTION 5. 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 6. 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

1 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
2 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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4 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
5 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
6 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
7 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2011 is essential to the operation of
8 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
9 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
10 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2011 could work irreparable harm
11 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
12 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
13 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
14 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2011.

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/s/ Joint Budget Committee

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