

State of Arkansas
76th General Assembly
Regular Session, 1987
By: Joint Budget Committee

HOUSE BILL 1131

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL
AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES OF THE STATE FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD
ENDING JUNE 30, 1989; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to be payable from the Constitutional and Fiscal Agencies Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the various Constitutional Officers for the biennial period ending June 30, 1989, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	1987-88	1988-89
(1) Salary of Governor	\$35,000	\$35,000
(2) Salary of Lieutenant Governor	14,000	14,000
(3) Salary of Secretary of State	22,500	22,500
(4) Salary of Attorney General	26,500	26,500
(5) Salary of Treasurer of State	22,500	22,500
(6) Salary of Commissioner of State Lands	22,500	22,500
(7) Salary of Auditor of State	22,500	22,500
(8) Salary of Supreme Court Chief Justice	71,870	71,870
(9) Salaries of Six Supreme Court Associate Justices of \$66,010 each per year	396,060	396,060
(10) Housing & Transportation Expenses of Supreme Court Justices, as authorized by law	46,200	46,200
(11) Salary of Court of Appeals Chief Judge	64,887	64,887
(12) Salary of Five Court of Appeals Judges of \$63,763 each per year	318,815	318,815
(13) Housing & Transportation Expenses of Court of Appeals Judges, as authorized by law	39,600	39,600

(14) Salaries of Seventy Circuit/Chancery Judges of \$61,513 each per year	4,305,910	4,305,910
(15) Salaries of Eight Prosecuting Attorneys - Div. A of \$55,831 each per year	446,648	446,648
(16) Salaries of Sixteen Prosecuting Attorneys - Div. B of \$46,465 each per year	743,440	743,440
(17) Expenses of Circuit/Chancery Judges and Prosecuting Attorneys, as authorized by law	446,000	446,000
(18) Special and Recalled Judges for the Circuit and Chancery Courts	60,000	60,000
(19) Salary of the Speaker of the House of Representatives	10,000	10,000
(20) Salaries of Ninety-Nine Representatives of \$7,500 each per year	742,500	742,500
(21) Salary of President Pro Tempore of the Senate	10,000	10,000
(22) Salaries of Thirty-Four Senators of \$7,500 each per year	255,000	255,000
(23) Personal Services Matching	1,683,333	1,683,333
(24) Interim Expenses for Representatives, as authorized by law	582,000	582,000
(25) Interim Expenses for Senators, as authorized by law	<u>203,700</u>	<u>203,700</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$10,591,463	\$10,591,463
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SECTION 2. The Auditor of State shall be disbursing officer for the funds appropriated in Items (1) through (23) of Section 1 herein.

SECTION 3. The Coordinator of House Legislative Services of the House of Representatives shall be disbursing officer for the funds appropriated in Item (24) of Section 1 herein.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of the Senate shall be disbursing officer for the funds appropriated in Item (25) of Section 1 herein.

SECTION 5. RESTRICTIONS. None of the funds appropriated by the Arkansas

General Assembly shall be used to establish or maintain the State's involvement in a statewide voter registration listing unless an appropriation is established specifically for that purpose.

SECTION 6. HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER EXPENSES - SUPREME COURT

The General Assembly recognizes that each judge of the Arkansas Supreme Court incurs considerable expense in carrying out his or her responsibilities to the people of the State of Arkansas, including expenses for housing; the purchase and maintenance of an automobile; the acquisition, maintenance and equipping of a home-office where the judge can work nights, weekends and other times when it is inappropriate or impractical to work in his or her regular office; for attending bar, civic and social meetings and in otherwise carrying out their responsibilities as judges of the Arkansas Supreme Court; and that said judges should be entitled to a monthly expense allowance to cover such expenses.

The funds appropriated by Item (10) of Section 1 herein may be used by each judge of the Arkansas Supreme Court to cover his expenses. The monthly allowance for fiscal year 1987-88 shall not exceed \$550 per month and for fiscal year 1988-89 shall not exceed \$550 per month.

The amount prescribed herein shall be paid monthly upon vouchers submitted by such judges, with each such voucher to state only that it is for expenses incurred by such judge in carrying out his or her responsibilities to the people of the State as described herein.

Upon receipt of each such voucher, the Auditor of State shall issue a warrant payable to the judge claiming such expense allowance and the State Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the same from the funds appropriated for such purpose. The balance of the appropriation for housing and transportation which remains at the close of business of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1988, shall be carried forward into the fiscal year ending June 30, 1989, there to be used for the same purpose.

SECTION 7. HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER EXPENSES - COURT OF APPEALS.

The General Assembly recognizes that each judge of the Arkansas Court of Appeals incurs considerable expense in carrying out his or her responsibilities to the people of the State of Arkansas, including expenses for housing; the purchase and maintenance of an automobile; the acquisition, main-

tenance and equipping of a home-office where the judge can work nights, and other times when it is inappropriate or impractical to work in his or her regular office; for attending bar, civic and social meetings and in otherwise carrying out their responsibilities as judges of the Arkansas Court of Appeals; and that said judges should be entitled to an expense allowance to cover such expenses.

The funds appropriated by Item (13) of Section 1 herein may be used by each judge of the Arkansas Court of Appeals to cover his expenses. The monthly allowance for fiscal year 1987-88 shall not exceed \$550 per month and for fiscal year 1988-89 shall not exceed \$550 per month.

The amount prescribed herein shall be paid monthly upon vouchers submitted by such judges, with each such voucher to state only that it is for expenses incurred by such judge in carrying out his or her responsibilities to the people of the State as described herein.

Upon receipt of each such voucher, the Auditor of State shall issue a warrant payable to the judge claiming such expense allowance and the State Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the same from the funds appropriated for such purpose. The balance of the appropriation for housing and transportation which remains at the close of business of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1988, shall be carried forward into the fiscal year ending June 30, 1989, there to be used for the same purpose.

SECTION 8. The appropriations authorized in Item (24) of Section 1 shall be used for making reimbursements for interim expenses incurred by members of the House of Representatives at the maximum rate of \$485 per month for each fiscal year of the 1987-89 biennium.

SECTION 9. The appropriations authorized in Item (25) of Section 1 shall be used for making reimbursements for interim expenses incurred by members of the Senate at the maximum rate of \$485 per month for each fiscal year of the 1987-89 biennium.

SECTION 10. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Sixth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1987 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 July 1, 1987 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, 1987.

