

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1993**  
4 **By: Joint Budget Committee**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
9 OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS  
10 FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1995; AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

14 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS  
15 APPROPRIATION."

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

19 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the  
20 Department of Veteran Affairs for the 1993-95 biennium, the following maximum  
21 number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions  
22 of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201  
23 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided,  
24 however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set  
25 out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform  
26 Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions  
27 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular  
28 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its  
29 successor.

			Maximum Annual		
			Maximum	Salary Rate	
Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Years	
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No.	Code	Title	Employees	1993-94	1994-95
35	(1)	9989 VETERANS DIR DEPT OF VETERAN AFFAIR	1	\$ 54,888	\$ 56,809

1	(2) 751Z VETERANS AFFAIRS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 24
2	(3) R099 SUPERVISOR OF VETERANS SERVICE	1	GRADE 20
3	(4) R315 VET AFFAIRS EXEC ASST TO DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 19
4	R097 VETERANS CHIEF FIELD SERVICE DIV	1	
5	(5) R264 MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST I	1	GRADE 18
6	M098 VETERANS CLAIMS SPECIALIST	8	
7	(6) A063 PAYROLL OFFICER	1	GRADE 15
8	(7) K041 EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	2	GRADE 14
9	(8) K153 SECRETARY II	5	GRADE 13
10	(9) K023 CLERK TYPIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE 10
11	MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	23	

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13 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
 14 Department of Veteran Affairs, to be payable from the State General Services  
 15 Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department  
 16 of Veteran Affairs for the biennial period ending June 30, 1995, the  
 17 following:

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19	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>FISCAL YEARS</u>	
20	NO.	1993-94	1994-95
21	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 553,447	\$ 572,943
22	(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	180,896	185,419
23	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 28,874	\$ 28,874
25	(B) CONF. & TRVL.	1,917	1,917
26	(C) PROF. FEES	0	0
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
28	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
29	TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	30,791	30,791
30	(04) AID TO COUNTY OFFICE	<u>234,500</u>	<u>234,500</u>
31	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 999,634</u>	<u>\$ 1,023,653</u>

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33 SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - VETERANS HOME DIVISION. There is hereby  
 34 established for the Department of Veteran Affairs - Veterans Home Division for  
 35 the 1993-95 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose

1 salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and  
2 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all  
3 laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a  
4 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt  
5 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All  
6 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the  
7 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas  
8 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

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		Maximum Annual		
		<del>Maximum Salary Rate</del>		
Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Years	
No.	Code Title	Employees	1993-94	1994-95
14	(1) 752Z VETERANS HOME SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 24	
15	(2) L078 NURSE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 22	
16	R438 VETERANS HOME ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR	1		
17	(3) M088 SOCIAL WORKER II	1	GRADE 20	
18	L070 NURSE II	6		
19	(4) M086 SOCIAL WORKER I	1	GRADE 19	
20	(5) A111 ACCOUNTANT	1	GRADE 18	
21	G028 BUILDING PLANT MAINTENANCE SUPV II	1		
22	H032 FOOD PRODUCTION MANAGER	1		
23	M054 REHAB COUNSELOR II	1		
24	R264 MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST I	1		
25	(6) G161 GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPAIRMAN	1	GRADE 17	
26	(7) A108 ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN II	1	GRADE 15	
27	M048 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	1		
28	(8) L049 LPN II	9	GRADE 14	
29	K041 EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	1		
30	(9) M047 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER I	1	GRADE 13	
31	(10) T045 SECURITY OFFICER II	7	GRADE 12	
32	(11) K155 SECRETARY I	1	GRADE 11	
33	G151 CUSTODIAL SERVICE SHIFT SUPV	1		
34	L081 NURSING ASST II	15		
35	(12) H005 BAKER II	1	GRADE 10	

1	H027 COOK II	4	
2	(13) H025 COOK I	4	GRADE 08
3	G109 BLDG/EQUIP MAINT REPAIRMAN II	3	
4	(14) G075 HOUSEKEEPER	6	GRADE 04
5	G008 LAUNDRY WORKER	1	
6	(15) H039 FOOD SERVICE WORKER I	<u>4</u>	GRADE 03
7	MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	77	

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - VETERANS HOME DIVISION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veteran Affairs, to be payable from the State General Services Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Veteran Affairs - Veterans Home Division for the ~~biennial period ending June 30, 1995, the following:~~

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1993-94	1994-95
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 1,365,756	\$ 1,413,898
(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	494,095	503,733
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 637,962	\$ 655,404
(B) CONF. & TRVL.	395	395
(C) PROF. FEES	49,432	49,432
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	<u>687,789</u>	<u>705,231</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 2,547,640</u>	<u>\$ 2,622,862</u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veteran Affairs - Veterans Home Division, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Department of Veteran Affairs, for refunds of unused fees paid by residents of the Veterans Home ~~for the biennial period ending June 30, 1995, the following:~~

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1993-94	1994-95

1 (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS \$ 2,040,621 \$ 2,040,621

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3 SECTION 6. The funds appropriated herein for Aid to County Veterans  
4 Service Offices may also be used by the Department of Veteran Affairs to pay  
5 expenses of County Veterans Service Officers for attending regional or  
6 statewide training conferences approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs  
7 and designed to provide better trained and qualified Veterans Service Officers  
8 in the various counties. Any such expenses paid by the Department of Veterans  
9 Affairs from funds appropriated herein shall be on the same reimbursement  
10 basis as the reimbursement of state employees for expenses incurred in  
11 attending their official business. Provided, no County Veterans Service  
12 Officer shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for expenses incurred in  
13 attending more than two (2) approved conferences per year, per county.

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15 SECTION 7. Funds appropriated for Conference Fees and Travel may be  
16 used to compensate members of the Governor's Task Force on Veterans' Affairs  
17 at a maximum rate of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day and for reimbursement  
18 for travel expenses at the same rate per mile as is paid to state employees  
19 pursuant to State Travel Regulations.

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21 SECTION 8. 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 Purchasing 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 control  
27 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the  
28 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 9. 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 which  
34 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
35 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget

1 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
2 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
3 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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5 SECTION 10. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and  
6 permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the  
7 Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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9 SECTION 11. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the  
10 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such  
11 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which  
12 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this  
13 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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15 SECTION 12. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict  
16 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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18 SECTION 13. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
19 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas  
20 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that  
21 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1993 is essential to the operation of  
22 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
23 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
24 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1993 could work irreparable harm upon the  
25 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
26 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
27 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
28 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1993.

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