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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
9 OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS GAME AND FISH  
10 COMMISSION FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1997;  
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## Subtitle

14 "AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS GAME AND FISH  
15 COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1995-97  
16 BIENNIUM."

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

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20 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the  
21 Arkansas Game and Fish Commission for the 1995-97 biennium, the following  
22 maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the  
23 provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code  
24 §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.  
25 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual  
26 salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of  
27 said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying  
28 positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the  
29 Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101),  
30 or its successor.

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Item	Class		Maximum Annual	
No.	Code	Title	Salary Rate	Fiscal Years
			Maximum	
			No. of	
			Employees	
				1995-96 1996-97

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1	(1) 9951 G & F DIRECTOR	1	\$ 78,140	\$
2	80,093			
3	(2) 9618 G&F ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	\$ 63,206	\$
4	64,786			
5	(3) 9950 G & F ATTORNEY	1	\$ 51,917	\$
6	53,214			
7	(4) 827Z DATA PROCESSING CENTER MANAGER	1		GRADE 26
8	(5) 296Z G&F ADMINISTRATOR	6		GRADE 25
9	(6) X339 ENGINEER SUPERVISOR	1		GRADE 24
10	(7) 299Z G&F ASSISTANT DIVISION CHIEF	15		GRADE 23
11	(8) B016 G&F CHIEF RIVER BASINS & GOV	1		GRADE 22
12	(9) V007 REAL ESTATE OFFICER	2		GRADE 21
13	E031 TRAINING ACADEMY STAFF ADMR	1		
14	R488 GRANTS ADMIN SUPV	1		
15	B026 G&F BIOLOGIST III	40		
16	X341 ENGINEER II	1		
17	D010 DATA BASE ANALYST	1		
18	T038 WILDLIFE OFFICER SUPERVISOR	12		
19	R215 G & F PERSONNEL MANAGER	1		
20	N344 G&F MEDIA SPEC/VIDEOGRAPHER	1		
21	A117 G&F LICENSING SUPERVISOR	1		
22	D123 APPLICATIONS & SYSTEMS ANALYST	1		
23	(10) N320 G&F EDITOR	5		GRADE 20
24	N349 G&F HUNTER ED COORDINATOR	1		
25	C020 COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS MANAGER	1		
26	T040 WILDLIFE OFFICER III	32		
27	E114 STAFF DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	1		
28	V024 G&F PURCHASING/PRINTING MANAGER	1		
29	X337 ENGINEER	2		
30	B018 G&F GAME RESEARCH BIOLOGIST	4		
31	R266 MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST II	2		
32	(11) B024 BIOLOGIST II	46		GRADE 19
33	E074 TRAINING REPRESENTATIVE	6		
34	T042 WILDLIFE OFFICER II	98		
35	R030 ASST PERSONNEL MANAGER	1		

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1	(12) D034 PROGRAMMER ANALYST	2	GRADE 18
2	X315 CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR	1	
3	V023 REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST	1	
4	J023 G&F FORESTER II	6	
5	R264 MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST I	1	
6	Y005 AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC SUPERVISOR	1	
7	A111 ACCOUNTANT	2	
8	(13) C017 TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 17
9	Y003 AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC	4	
10	R010 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	3	
11	R190 PERSONNEL OFFICER II	1	
12	Y129 ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN	2	
13	E019 HUNTER SAFETY EDUC & TRNG OFFICER	1	
14	(14) B114 G&F TECHNICIAN III	62	GRADE 16
15	G027 BUILDING PLANT MAINTENANCE SUPV I	1	
16	Y085 PRINTER II	1	
17	(15) K011 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 15
18	A108 ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN II	6	
19	D005 COMPUTER OPERATOR II	1	
20	N311 COMMERCIAL ARTIST I/GRAPHIC ART I	2	
21	R009 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I	2	
22	(16) C015 TELECOMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR	11	GRADE 14
23	B113 G&F TECHNICIAN II	1	
24	K041 EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	4	
25	K117 MEDICAL OR LEGAL SECRETARY	1	
26	E021 HUNTER SAFETY TRNG AREA CARETAKER	1	
27	(17) K153 SECRETARY II	18	GRADE 13
28	(18) A120 G&F LICENSING CLERK	6	GRADE 12
29	A106 ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN I	3	
30	C013 SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR SUPERVISOR	1	
31	(19) K037 DOCUMENT EXAMINER I	2	GRADE 10
32	(20) K065 MAIL OFFICER	1	GRADE 09
33	(21) G109 BLDG/EQUIP MAINT REPAIRMAN II	1	GRADE 08
34	(22) G175 MAINTENANCE WORKER II	<u>1</u>	GRADE 05
35	MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	442	

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SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission for the 1995-97 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: ninety (90) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the ~~Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, to be payable from the Game Protection~~ Fund, for personal services, operating expenses, acquisition, maintenance and improvements of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1995-96	1996-97
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 12,588,266	\$ 12,588,266
(02) EXTRA HELP	400,000	400,000
(03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	4,175,897	4,175,897
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 5,600,000	\$ 5,600,000
(B) CONF. & TRVL.	125,000	125,000
(C) PROF. FEES	600,000	600,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,925,000	1,925,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL MAINT. & GEN. OPER.	8,250,000	8,250,000
(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	300,000	300,000
(06) ACQUISITION/MAINTENANCE/IMPROVEMENTS	<u>8,250,000</u>	<u>8,250,000</u>
	<u>8,250,000</u>	<u>8,250,000</u>

1 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED \$ 33,964,163 \$  
2 33,964,163

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4 SECTION 4. Any savings in the amount appropriated in Section 3 for  
5 Regular Salaries, Extra Help, or Personal Services Matching may be  
6 transferred upon request of the Director of the State Game and Fish  
7 Commission to Acquisition/Maintenance/Improvements. Upon approval of the  
8 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and prior review by the Arkansas  
9 Legislative Council, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Auditor of  
10 the State shall transfer said savings to Acquisition/Maintenance/Improvements  
11 and make it available for such purposes during the then current fiscal year.

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14 SECTION 5. TRANSFER PROVISION. Provided, that any unexpended  
15 appropriation balance remaining on June 30, 1996 in the appropriation  
16 authorized in Section 3 hereof, for Item (1) Regular Salaries; Item (2) Extra  
17 Help; Item (3) Personal Services Matching; Item (4) Maintenance and General  
18 Operation; and Item (6) Acquisition/Maintenance/Improvements, shall be  
19 transferred by the Chief Fiscal Officer and the Auditor of State to Item (6)  
20 Acquisition/Maintenance/Improvements in Section 3 hereof, for the fiscal year  
21 beginning July 1, 1996 and ending June 30, 1997 and made available for use in  
22 said year.

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24 SECTION 6. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission is hereby authorized  
25 to promulgate rules and regulations for the eligibility, amounts and payment  
26 of rewards to individuals providing information leading to the arrest of  
27 violators of Game and Fish Commission regulations. These rewards shall be  
28 payable from the Game Protection Fund from the Commission's Maintenance and  
29 General Operation appropriation as herein appropriated in Section 3, Item No.  
30 (04)(A).

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32 SECTION 7. PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS. The Arkansas Game and Fish  
33 Commission is hereby authorized, after prior review by the Legislative  
34 Council, to grant a six percent (6%) pay increase to any regular salaried  
35 biologist possessing or acquiring professional certification from the

1 Wildlife Society or the American Fisheries Society during the 1995-97  
2 biennium. This pay increase will be awarded beginning with the first  
3 semi-monthly pay period following submission of documented proof of such  
4 certification to the Commission Personnel Office, provided the biologist's  
5 most recent performance evaluation results in a satisfactory rating.  
6 Biologists not obtaining a satisfactory performance evaluation rating will be  
7 granted the pay increase on their next eligibility date, provided their new  
8 evaluation rating is satisfactory. New employees and probationary employees  
9 shall be eligible for this pay increase after their probationary period  
10 expires, provided the above requirements are met. Employees possessing or  
11 obtaining the pay increase authorized herein shall not be eligible for a  
12 second incentive increase upon obtaining a second professional certification  
13 from the Wildlife Society or The American Fisheries Society.

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15       SECTION 8. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission is hereby authorized  
16 to pay from funds appropriated herein for Uniform Allowance for fiscal year  
17 1995-96 an additional twenty-five dollars (\$25) per month to uniformed  
18 employees for the purchase and maintenance of uniforms worn full time in the  
19 execution of their official duties. Such payment shall be in addition to the  
20 monthly allowance as provided by law. However, in no event shall such  
21 payments, when combined, exceed one thousand twenty dollars (\$1,020) for  
22 fiscal year 1995-96.

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24 In fiscal year 1996-97, the Commission is authorized to pay an additional  
25 fifteen dollars (\$15) per month to uniformed employees for the purchase and  
26 maintenance of uniforms worn full time in the execution of their official  
27 duties. Such payment shall be in addition to the monthly allowance provided  
28 in fiscal year 1995-96. In no event shall such payments, when combined,  
29 exceed one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200) for fiscal year 1996-97.

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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  
34 which 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  
7 the 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  
19 the Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of  
20 Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year  
21 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to  
22 the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are  
23 provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the  
24 delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work  
25 irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential  
26 governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist  
27 and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
28 peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after  
29 July 1, 1995.

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