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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1766

4 By: House Management Subcommittee

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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 HOUSE OF
10 REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30,
11 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

14 "AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS HOUSE OF
15 REPRESENTATIVES APPROPRIATION FOR THE
16 1995-97 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 - HOUSE STAFF. There is hereby
21 established for the Arkansas House of Representatives for the 1995-97
22 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries
23 shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and
24 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and
25 all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a
26 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt
27 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All
28 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the
29 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas
30 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

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

1	1996-97			
2	(01)	COORDINATOR OF HOUSE LEGISLATIVE		
3		SVS/PARLIAMENTARIAN/ADMIN. ASS'T.	1	\$ 75,253 \$ 77,135
4	(02)	HOUSE INFORMATION DIRECTOR	1	57,977 59,426
5	(03)	ASSISTANT COORDINATOR OF HOUSE		
6		LEGIS. SERVICES/EXEC. SECRETARY	1	47,515 48,703
7	(04)	CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE	1	34,300 35,157
8	(05)	FISCAL OFFICER	1	33,487 34,324
9	(06)	ASS'T EXEC. SEC./RECEPTIONIST	1	26,866 27,538
10	(07)	HOUSE PROPERTIES & FACILITIES MGR.	1	26,335 26,994
11	(08)	SECRETARY/CALENDAR CLERK	1	21,619 22,160
12	(09)	SECRETARY/JOURNAL CLERK	<u>1</u>	21,619 22,160
13		MAXIMUM NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES	9	

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15 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP . There is hereby authorized, for the

16 Arkansas House of Representatives for the 1995-97 biennium, the following

17 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra

18 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: Seven (7)

19 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed

20 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its

21 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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23 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - STAFF. There is hereby appropriated, to

24 the Arkansas House of Representatives, to be payable from the State Central

25 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas

26 House of Representatives and the staff of the Arkansas House of

27 Representatives for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the following:

29	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
30	NO.	1995-96	1996-97
31	(1) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 344,971	\$ 353,597
32	(2) EXTRA HELP	40,000	40,000
33	(3) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	96,603	99,827
34	(4) MAINTENANCE & GENERAL OPERATIONS	<u>137,700</u>	<u>71,400</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 619,274</u>	<u>\$ 564,824</u>

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SECTION 4. TRANSFER AUTHORITY. If the Speaker of the house and the Coordinator of House Legislative Services determine that any item or portion thereof appropriated herein for a specific purpose is not needed for such purpose, they may certify such fact to the State Auditor and the State Auditor shall cause transfer to be made from one item to another.

SECTION 5. In order that exceptionally well-qualified personnel may be recruited and retained, the House of Representatives may exceed the maximum salary levels by no more than twenty percent (20%) for no more than one-third (1/3) of the positions authorized in their biennial operation appropriation act.

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS - INSTITUTE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas House of Representatives, to be payable from the Constitutional Officers Fund, for payment of per diem and mileage of members and newly-elected members who attend the Biennial Institute of Legislative Procedure held prior to the convening of the 1997 Regular Session of the General Assembly, the sum of \$60,000.

SECTION 7. REAPPROPRIATION AND CARRY FORWARD. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas House of Representatives, to be payable from the Constitutional Officers Fund, the balance remaining on June 30, 1995 in the appropriations enacted by Act 1 of 1995 to defray the expenses of the House of Representatives of the Eightieth General Assembly, Act 2 of the Second Extraordinary Session of the 79th General Assembly, and Section 5 of Act 702 of 1993, there to be used for the same purposes for the Arkansas House of Representatives of the Eightieth General Assembly in a sum in the aggregate of not to exceed \$1,800,000.

SECTION 8. If the Speaker of the House and the Coordinator of House Legislative Services determine that any item or portion thereof appropriated herein for a specific purpose is not needed for such purpose, they may certify such fact to the State Auditor, and the State Auditor shall cause transfer to be made from one item to another.

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SECTION 9. The funds appropriated in this Act shall be used to defray the necessary expenses of the operation of the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Office of the Coordinator of House Legislative Services, the Office of Parliamentarian, the Chief Clerk's Office, and other reasonable and necessary expenses of the House of Representatives of the Eightieth General Assembly incurred during the biennial period ending June 30, 1997. Any balance remaining on June 30, 1996 in the appropriation provided for Maintenance & General Operations by this act shall be made available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997 and for the same purposes.

SECTION 10. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas House of Representatives, payable from the State Central Services Fund, for expenses required in continuing the automation of the legislative process for the Arkansas House of Representatives, the sum of \$700,000.

SECTION 11. 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 Purchasing 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 12. 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.

1 SECTION 13. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and
2 permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and
3 the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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5 SECTION 14. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
6 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such
7 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which
8 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this
9 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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

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14 SECTION 16. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by
15 the Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of
16 Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year
17 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to
18 the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are
19 provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the
20 delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work
21 irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential
22 governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist
23 and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
24 peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after
25 July 1, 1995.

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