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2 80th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1995

A Bill

SENATE BILL 168

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

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND
9 OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE OFFICIAL COURT REPORTERS OF THE
10 CIRCUIT AND CHANCERY COURTS FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING
11 JUNE 30, 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

13 "AN ACT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE
14 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1995-97 BIENNIUM."
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
20 official court reporters of the Circuit and Chancery Courts for the 1995-97
21 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries
22 shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and
23 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and
24 all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a
25 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt
26 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All
27 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the
28 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas
29 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.
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			Maximum Annual	
			Maximum	Salary Rate
Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Years
No.	Code	Title	Employees	1995-96 1996-97
34	(01)	COURT REPORTER	<u>106</u>	GRADE 19

1 MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES 106

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3 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
4 Auditor of State, to be payable from the Court Reporters' Fund, for personal
5 services and operating expenses of the official court reporters of the
6 Circuit and Chancery Courts for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the
7 ~~following:~~

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9 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
10 NO.	1995-96	1996-97
11 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 4,135,728	4,239,120
12 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,081,244	1,099,778
13 (03) PROFESSIONAL FEES & SERVICES	96,472	96,472
14 (04) EXPENSE ALLOWANCE	170,680	170,680
15 (05) INDIGENT TRANSCRIPTS	455,000	455,000
16 (06) SUBSTITUTE COURT REPORTERS	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
17 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 6,039,124</u>	<u>\$ 6,161,050</u>

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19 SECTION 3. The funds appropriated herein for Professional Fees and
20 Services shall be used solely for the purpose of securing court reporter
21 services necessary as a result of the displacement of incumbent judges
22 pursuant to the United States District Court Order in the case of Eugene Hunt
23 et al v. State of Arkansas, et al.

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25 SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
26 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
27 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
28 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
29 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
30 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
31 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
32 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
33 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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35 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General

1 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
2 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
3 which this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
4 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
5 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
6 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
7 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

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13 SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
14 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such
15 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which
16 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this
17 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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19 SECTION 8. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict
20 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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22 SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
23 Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
24 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period;
25 that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to the
26 operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are
27 provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the
28 delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work
29 irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential
30 governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist
31 and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
32 peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after
33 July 1, 1995.

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/s/Russ

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