

1 State of Arkansas
2 80th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1995

A Bill

SENATE BILL 255

4 By: Senate Efficiency 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 FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE FOR THE
10 BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1997; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

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

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31 Maximum Annual

32 Maximum Salary Rate

33 Item Class No. of Fiscal Years

34 No. Code Title Employees 1995-96

35 1996-97

1	(1)	SENATE CHIEF OF STAFF	1	\$ 70,316	\$72,074
2	(2)	SENATE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF	1	58,044	59,495
3	(3)	SECRETARY OF THE SENATE/FISCAL OFFICER	1	51,250	52,532
4	(5)	SENATE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	1	33,375	34,209
5	(6)	SENATE ASS'T FISCAL OFFICER	1	30,906	31,678
6	(7)	ASSISTANT TO SECRETARY OF SENATE	1	30,496	31,258
7	(8)	SENATE PROPERTIES OFFICER	<u>1</u>	29,749	30,492
8		MAXIMUM NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES	8		

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10 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - SENATE STAFF. There is hereby

11 appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the State Central

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

13 Senate and the staff of the Arkansas Senate for the biennial period ending

14 June 30, 1997, the following:

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16	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>FISCAL YEARS</u>	
17	NO.	1995-96	1996-97
18	(1) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 353,056	\$ 361,881
19	(2) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	77,672	79,614
20	(3) MAINTENANCE AND GENERAL OPERATIONS	<u>127,327</u>	<u>53,479</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 558,055</u>	<u>\$ 494,974</u>

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23 SECTION 3. There is hereby appropriated, to be payable from the

24 Constitutional Officers Fund, to the Arkansas Senate, to be used for payment

25 of per diem and mileage of members of the Arkansas Senate who attend the

26 Biennial Institute of Legislative Procedure held prior to the convening of

27 the 1997 Regular Session of the General Assembly, the sum of \$4,000.

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29 SECTION 4. REAPPROPRIATION AND CARRYOVER. There is hereby

30 appropriated to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the Constitutional

31 Officers Fund or the State Central Services Fund, whichever is appropriate,

32 for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the balance of the

33 appropriations enacted by the Eightieth General Assembly to defray the

34 necessary expenses of the Arkansas Senate of the Eightieth General Assembly,

35 Act 10 of the First Extraordinary Session of the 79th General Assembly, Act 1

1 of the Second Extraordinary Session of the 79th General Assembly and Sections
2 4 and 5 of Act 671 of 1993 in a sum in the aggregate of not to exceed \$900,000.

3 Any balance remaining on June 30, 1996 in the appropriation provided by
4 Section 2 of this act for Maintenance and General Operations shall be carried
5 forward and made available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997 for the
6 same purposes.

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8 SECTION 5. COMPUTERIZATION. There is hereby appropriated to the
9 Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for
10 expenses necessary in continuing the computerization of the legislative
11 process in the Arkansas Senate, the sum of \$500,000.

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13 SECTION 6. TRANSFERS. If the Senate Efficiency Committee and the
14 Senate Fiscal Officer, subject to the approval of the Arkansas Senate, should
15 determine that any item or portion thereof appropriated herein for a specific
16 purpose is not needed for such purpose, the Senate Fiscal Officer may certify
17 such fact to the State Auditor and the State Auditor shall cause a transfer
18 to be made from one item to another.

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20 SECTION 7. SENATE EMPLOYEES. The Senate Efficiency Committee may, at
21 its discretion and subject to the approval of the Arkansas Senate, employ,
22 transfer or discharge Arkansas Senate employees if it is determined by the
23 committee to be in the best interest of the Arkansas Senate. The actual
24 salaries to be paid to employees of the Arkansas Senate shall be determined
25 by the Senate Efficiency Committee within the funds, appropriations and
26 maximum annual salaries as may be available.

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28 SECTION 8. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
29 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
30 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
31 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
32 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
33 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
34 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
35 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be

1 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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3 SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
4 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
5 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
6 which this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
7 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
8 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
9 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
10 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

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

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

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25 SECTION 13. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by
26 the Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of
27 Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year
28 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to
29 the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are
30 provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the
31 delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work
32 irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential
33 governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist
34 and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
35 peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after

1 July 1, 1995.

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