

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 243

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND
10 OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT
11 OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE FOR THE
12 BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1999; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

15 "AN ACT FOR THE DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE
16 AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING
17 COMMITTEE APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1997-99
18 BIENNIUM."
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
24 Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee for
25 the 1997-99 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose
26 salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and
27 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all
28 laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a
29 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt
30 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All
31 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the
32 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas
33 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

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Maximum Annual
Maximum Salary Rate

1	Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Years		
2	No.	Code	Title	Employees	1997-98	1998-99
3	(1)	9877	LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR	1	\$103,080	\$105,966
4	(2)	9878	L A ASST LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR	1	\$ 90,528	\$ 93,063
5	(3)	9880	L A DEPUTY LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR	4	\$ 86,931	\$ 89,365
6	(4)	9996	L A ATTORNEY III	1	\$ 76,930	\$ 79,084
7	(5)	9882	L A REGIONAL MANAGER	2	\$ 64,748	\$ 66,561
8	(6)	9881	L A FIELD AUDIT SUPERVISOR II	17	\$ 62,247	\$ 63,990
9	(7)	9998	L A DATA PROCESSING MANAGER	1	\$ 62,247	\$ 63,990
10	(8)	9861	L A FIELD AUDITOR IV	24		GRADE 25
11	(9)	9862	L A FIELD AUDITOR III	52		GRADE 24
12		9863	L A FIELD AUDITOR II	61		
13	(10)	9864	L A FIELD AUDITOR I	36		GRADE 23
14	(11)	9872	L A SECRETARY ADMINISTRATOR	1		GRADE 20
15		9865	L A EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	1		
16	(12)	9866	L A DIRECTOR'S EXECUTIVE ASST	1		GRADE 18
17	(13)	9867	L A SECRETARIAL SUPERVISOR	1		GRADE 17
18		9873	L A DATA ENTRY SUPERVISOR	1		
19	(14)	9868	L A REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT OPER	1		GRADE 16
20		9869	L A RECORDS SUPERVISOR	1		
21		9870	L A SECRETARY II/SECRETARY III	5		
22	(15)	9871	L A SECRETARY I	<u>8</u>		GRADE 14
23			MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	220		

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25 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Division
 26 of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee for the
 27 1997-99 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary
 28 employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein
 29 for such purposes: four (4) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at
 30 rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 31 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 32 classification.

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34 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 35 Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, to

1 be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and
 2 operating expenses of the Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative
 3 Joint Auditing Committee for the biennial period ending June 30, 1999, the
 4 following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1997-98	1998-99
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 11,250,574	\$ 11,597,261
(02) EXTRA HELP	25,000	25,000
(03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	2,673,455	2,735,417
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,151,855	1,151,855
(B) CONF. & TRVL.	183,583	183,583
(C) PROF. FEES	276,803	276,803
(D) CAPITAL OUTLAY	265,000	205,000
(E) DATA PROCESSING	\$ 75,000	75,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ 15,901,270	\$ 16,249,919

19 SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - Of the funds appropriated for
 20 Professional Fees and Services, \$150,000 is restricted in each of the two
 21 fiscal years for securing audits of municipalities and/or local school
 22 districts. Any unexpended balance of appropriations which remains at the
 23 close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998 shall be transferred forward and
 24 made available for the year ending June 30, 1999. Services contracted
 25 pursuant to this provision shall only be secured upon approval of the
 26 Executive Committee of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee.

28 SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - EXTRA HELP QUALIFICATION. Monies
 29 appropriated by the General Assembly for "Extra Help" for the Division of
 30 Legislative Audit shall be used only to employ temporary employees who: (1)
 31 were full-time enrolled students of an Arkansas public or private-supported
 32 college or university during the Fall or Spring semester immediately preceding
 33 their employment; (2) are majoring in Accounting; and (3) have successfully
 34 completed his/her Junior Year requirements.

1 SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - In the event that it is determined by the
2 Legislative Joint Auditing Committee that it would be more efficient or
3 effective to contract for services instead of employing regular full-time
4 personnel, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer an amount
5 certified by the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee from Regular Salaries as
6 appropriated herein to Operating Expenses and Professional Fees as provided in
7 Section 3 herein.

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9 SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - TRANSFER PROVISION. Any unexpended
10 balance of the appropriations of Extra Help, Personal Services Matching, or
11 Maintenance and General Operations in Section 3 of this Act which remains at
12 the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998 shall be transferred forward
13 and made available for the same purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30,
14 1999.

15 SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - Arkansas Code 10-3-403(a) is amended to
16 read as follows:

17 “(a) The Legislative Joint Auditing Committee shall consist of ~~thirty-six~~
18 ~~(36)~~ thirty-seven (37) members of the General Assembly to be selected as
19 follows:

20 (1)(A) Sometime before adjournment of each regular session, the Senate
21 shall select twelve (12) members, with three (3) to be chosen from each of the
22 four (4) congressional districts in effect on January 1, 1987, by caucus of
23 the Senators residing in their respective congressional districts.

24 (B)(i) At the time of selecting members, the Senate shall also select
25 in the same manner one (1) first alternate and one (1) second alternate for
26 each member selected.

27 (ii) The first alternates shall also be nonvoting members of the
28 committee and shall be entitled to receive per diem and mileage for attending
29 all meetings of the committee.

30 (iii) First alternate members of the committee shall have a vote in
31 matters before the committee if the regular member which the first alternate
32 represents is not in attendance.

33 (iv) Second alternate members of the committee shall have a vote in
34 matters before the committee if the regular member and first alternate member
35 which the second alternate represents are not in attendance.

1 (v) First alternate members attending as nonvoting members of the
 2 committee shall receive per diem and mileage to be paid in the same manner and
 3 from the same source as regular members of the committee.

4 (2)(A) The House of Representatives shall select twenty (20) members in
 5 accordance with the procedure prescribed by House Rules.

6 (B)(i) At the time of selecting members, the House shall also select in
 7 the same manner one (1) first alternate and one (1) second alternate for each
 8 member selected.

9 (ii) The first alternates shall also be nonvoting members of the
 10 committee and shall be entitled to receive per diem and mileage for attending
 11 all meetings of the committee.

12 (iii) First alternate members of the committee shall have a vote in
 13 matters before the committee if the regular member which the first alternate
 14 represents is not in attendance.

15 (iv) Second alternate members of the committee shall have a vote in
 16 matters before the committee if the regular member and first alternate member
 17 which the second alternate represents are not in attendance.

18 (v) First alternate members attending as nonvoting members of the
 19 committee shall receive per diem and mileage to be paid in the same manner and
 20 from the same source as regular members of the committee.

21 (3) The Speaker of the House, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate,
 22 the immediate past chairman of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, and
 23 the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Arkansas Legislative Council shall be ex
 24 officio members of the committee and shall enjoy all the rights and privileges
 25 of other members of the committee."

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27 SECTION 9. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 28 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 29 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 30 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
 31 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 32 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control
 33 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the
 34 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 35 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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

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

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21 SECTION 13. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict
22 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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24 SECTION 14. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
25 Eighty-First General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
26 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that
27 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1997 is essential to the operation of
28 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
29 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
30 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1997 could work irreparable harm upon the
31 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
32 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
33 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
34 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1997.

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