State of Arkansas 1 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly 3 Regular Session, 1999 HOUSE BILL 1531 4 5 By: Joint Budget Committee 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR VARIOUS STATE 9 AGENCY TRANSFERS: TO DISBURSE MARKETING AND 10 REDISTRIBUTION PROCEEDS; TO MAKE CAREER RECOGNITION 11 PAYMENTS; FOR PAYING UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS: 12 FOR THE PURCHASE OF VEHICLES; FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF 13 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER FOR 14 15 THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2001; AND FOR 16 OTHER PURPOSES. " 17 Subtitle 18 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE 19 20 AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER 21 - VARIOUS AGENCY TRANSFERS APPROPRIATION 22 FOR THE 1999-2001 BIENNIUM." 23 24 25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 26 27 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - MARKETING AND REDISTRIBUTION. There is hereby 28 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing 29 Officer, to be payable from the Property Sales Holding Fund, for state agencies for expending or disbursing the net proceeds from property sold 30 31 through the Marketing and Redistribution Division of the Department of Finance 32 and Administration - Disbursing Officer for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following: 33 34 35 ITEM FISCAL YEARS 1999-2000 36 NO. 2000-2001

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1 (01) MARKETING / REDISTRIBUTION PROCEEDS 4,50<u>0,000</u> \$ 4,500,000 \$ 2 3 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - CAREER RECOGNITION PAYMENTS. There is hereby 4 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the Merit Adjustment Fund, for providing annual 5 career service recognition payments to classified employees of state agencies 6 7 for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following: 8 9 ITEM FISCAL YEARS 10 NO. 1999-2000 2000-2001 (01) CAREER RECOGNITION PAYMENTS 11 \$ 5, 876, 599 6, 404, 465 12 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - MISCELLANEOUS TRANSFER APPROPRIATIONS . There is 13 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration -14 15 Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the Miscellaneous State Treasury Funds, 16 for providing constitutional officers and various state agencies with 17 supplemental appropriations for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the 18 following: 19 20 ITFM FISCAL YEARS NO. 21 1999-2000 2000-2001 22 (01)**OVERTIME** \$ 5,000,000 \$ 5,000,000 23 (02)PERSONAL SERV MATCHING 4,000,000 4,000,000 24 REGULAR SALARIES - ELECTED OFFICIALS 1,500,000 1,500,000 (03)PERSONAL SERVICES - PAY PLAN 25 (04)26 **ADJUSTMENTS** 56, 971, 199 56, 971, 199 27 (05) REFUND TO EXPENDITURES 500,000 500,000 28 (06)REGULAR SALARIES - STATE 29 **EMPLOYEES** 1,000,000 1,000,000 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED 30 68, 971, 199 68, 971, 199 31 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION. There is hereby 32 33 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing

Officer, to be payable from the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund, for

paying unemployment compensation claims in accordance with the Employment

Security Amendments for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the

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1	following:					
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3	ITEM		FISC	AL	YEARS	
4	NO.		1999-2000		2000-2001	
5	(01) UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$	4,000,000	\$	4,000,000	
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7	SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - VARIOUS AG	ENCI E	S CASH. Ther	e i	s hereby	
8	appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing					
9	Officer, to be payable from various state	agen	cy cash funds	fo	r providing	
10	various state agencies with appropriations for cash funds for the biennial					
11	period ending June 30, 2001, the followin	g:				
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13	ITEM		FISC	AL	YEARS	
14	NO.		1999-2000		2000-2001	
15	(01) CASH APPROPRIATIONS	\$	50, 000, 000	\$	50, 000, 000	
16	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES		7, 524, 316	_	7, 524, 316	
17	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$</u>	57, 524, 316	\$	57, 524, 316	
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19	SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - MISCELLANEO	US FEI	DERAL PROGRAM	S.	There is hereby	
20	appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing					
21	Officer, to be payable from any unanticipated miscellaneous Federal Program					
22	Funds received by the State of Arkansas or any of its agencies which are					
23	deposited in the State Treasury for transfer to state agencies as provided by					
24	law for the biennial period ending June 3	0, 20	01, the follo	wi n	g:	
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26	ITEM		FISC	AL	YEARS	
27	NO.		1999-2000		2000-2001	
28	(01) MISC FEDERAL GRANTS	\$	100, 000, 000	\$	100, 000, 000	
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30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$	200, 000, 000	\$	200, 000, 000	
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32	SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - PURCHASE OF	VEHI	CLES. There i	s h	ereby	
33	appropriated, to the Department of Financ				-	
34	Officer, to be payable from the Motor Veh				•	
35	purchase of vehicles as provided by Arkan		-		•	
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1	ending June 30, 2001, the following:				
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3	ITEM FISCAL YEARS				
4	NO. 1999-2000 2000-2001				
5	(01) PURCHASE OF VEHICLES \$ <u>15,000,000</u> <u>\$ 15,000,000</u>				
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7	SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - MERIT ADJUSTMENT FUND. There is hereby				
8	appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing				
9	Officer, to be payable from the Merit Adjustment Fund, for providing various				
10	state agencies and institutions of higher education with supplemental personal				
11	services for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:				
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13	ITEM FISCAL YEARS				
14	NO. 1999-2000 2000-2001				
15	(01) PERSONAL SERVICES \$ <u>4,000,000</u> \$ <u>4,000,000</u>				
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17	SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - MISCELLANEOUS CASH TRANSFERS. There is hereby				
18	appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing				
19	Officer, to be payable from the cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-				
20	801, for disbursement of cash funds collected on behalf of state agencies for				
21	transfer to those agencies as necessary for the biennial period ending June				
22	30, 2001, the following:				
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24	ITEM FISCAL YEARS				
25	NO. 1999-2000 2000-2001				
26	(01) VARIOUS EXPENSES \$ 5,000,000 \$ 5,000,000				
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28	SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS				
29	CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.				
30	CLASSIFICATION AND USE OF APPROPRIATIONS. The appropriations authorized in				
31	Section 1 hereof which are transferred to the various agencies, as authorized				
32	in Section 3 11 hereof, are to be used for the maintenance and general				
33	operation of the benefiting agency and shall only be expended under the				
34	provisions cited in Arkansas Code 19-4-522, the same being the General				
35	Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law of Arkansas. Provided, however, no				
36	appropriation authorized herein shall be expended for Conference and Travel				

Expenses or Professional Fees and Services.

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SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER PROVISION. The Department of Finance and Administration shall, upon transfer to the agencies or institutions fund or fund account of the proceeds derived from disposal of property by the Marketing and Redistribution division for the benefit of various agencies, transfer appropriation, as provided in Section 1 hereof in such amount as funds are deposited into the Property Sales Holding Fund and transferred therefrom for the benefit of such agencies.

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SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. APPROPRIATION TRANSFER PROCEDURES. In the event that sufficient appropriation has not been provided for the payment of Career Recognition Payments for any state agency or institution due to the enactment of this Act or any other act approved by the Eighty-Second General Assembly which raises the compensation level of state employees, the agency or institution may request a transfer from the appropriation provided in Section 4 2 herein from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State. Such request shall clearly state the amount required, the fund or fund account from which the employees are currently being paid, and such other information as may be required by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State that he deems necessary to make a decision regarding the request. Upon the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State or upon processing the request for elected Constitutional Officers and their employees by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the State Auditor shall be notified as to the amount and the purposes for which said appropriation is to be made. The appropriation shall then be added to the proper account on the books of the Department of Finance and Administration and the State Auditor payable from the fund or fund account from which the employees of the agency or institution are authorized to be paid by law. Such appropriation transfer shall be limited to Regular Salaries or Personal Services Matching or both.

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SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. Funding for the appropriation transfers authorized by Section 4 2 of this Act, or for any part thereof, for those state agencies which are supported in whole or in

part from general revenues, shall, if required, be provided by a transfer from the Merit Adjustment Fund to the proper fund or fund account and in such amounts as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State. The State Agencies shall, in addition to the funds provided in this Act for Annual Career Service Recognition Payments from the Merit Adjustment Fund, make available any funding generated from agency salary savings for such purposes

from the funds or fund accounts as provided by law.

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9 SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. 10 11 PROCEDURES - MATCHING. In the event that there is not sufficient 12 appropriation, from funds deposited in the State Treasury, provided for by the 13 General Assembly for personal services matching for any state agency for the 14 biennial period ending June 30, 1999 2001, said agency shall request a 15 transfer from appropriation provided by item (02) of Section 7 3 herein, from 16 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, stating clearly the amounts required Upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the 17 for each item. 18 State Auditor shall be notified as to the amount and the purposes for which 19 said appropriation is to be made and shall be established upon the books of 20 the Department of Finance and Administration and the State Auditor. Provided 21 further, if desired, that said appropriation shall be supplemental to those 22 regularly appropriated for such purposes by the General Assembly for that agency. Provided, however, that in the event the amount of transfer requested 23 24 exceeds One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000), the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State 25 shall seek prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget 26 Committee before said transfer shall be made.

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SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION - ELECTED OFFICERS. If it is determined by any office of an elected Constitutional Officer, including the Bureau of Legislative Research, Division of Legislative Audit or the Judicial Department, that there is not sufficient appropriation for Regular Salaries to pay the maximum salaries which have been set by the General Assembly for the employees of such Office, the Director of the Office shall notify the Chief Fiscal Officer of the fact and the amount of appropriation which has been determined to be required.

- 1 Upon receipt of such notification, and after seeking prior review by the
- 2 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
- 3 State shall transfer on his books the amount of appropriation required from
- 4 the appropriation provided by Item (03) of Section $\frac{7}{3}$ hereof to the Fund or
- 5 Fund Account from which the Office's employees are paid and shall notify the
- 6 State Auditor to process such transfer upon his books of record.

- 8 SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
- 9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
- 10 PROCEDURES REGULAR SALARIES. In the event that there is not sufficient
- 11 appropriation provided for by the General Assembly for payment of Regular
- 12 Salaries for any state agency for the biennial period ending June 30, 1999
- 13 <u>2001</u>, said agency may request a transfer from appropriations provided by item
- 14 (06) of Section 7 3 herein, from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,
- 15 stating clearly the amount required. Upon approval of the Chief Fiscal
- 16 Officer of the State, and after seeking prior review by the Arkansas
- 17 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the State Auditor shall be
- 18 notified as to the amount and the purposes for which said appropriation is to
- 19 be made. The appropriation shall then be established upon the books of the
- 20 Department of Finance and Administration and the State Auditor. Provided
- 21 further, that if desired, said appropriation shall be supplemental to those
- 22 regularly appropriated for such purposes by the General Assembly for the
- 23 agency.

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- 25 SECTION 17. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
- 26 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
- 27 RESTRICTIONS. Nothing in this Act is to be construed as an authority to
- 28 transfer a like amount of current general revenues to fund appropriations
- 29 provided for in Section 7 3 of this Act.

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- 31 SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
- 32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
- 33 RESTRICTIONS. TRANSFER PROVISIONS. The Department of Finance and
- 34 Administration shall transfer appropriation as provided in Item (05) of
- 35 Section 7 3 hereof in such amounts as funds are deposited into the State
- 36 Treasury or financial institutions for proceeds received from insurance

policies for casualty losses, overpayment of obligations, overpayment of 1 2 salaries, over-allocation of federal assistance, maturity or redemption of 3 investments, and subrogation payments received for workers' compensation 4 claims paid, for the benefit of various state agencies. Provided, however, that the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State is hereby authorized to promulgate 5 such rules, regulations, procedures, and quidelines as he may deem necessary 6 7 and proper in order to carry out the provisions of this Act. 8 9 SECTION 19. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. 10 PROCEDURES - OVERTIME. In the event that there is not sufficient appropriation 11 12 provided for by the General Assembly for overtime compensation pursuant to 13 Arkansas Code 19-4-1612 for any state agency for the biennial period ending June 30, 1999 2001, said agency shall request a transfer from appropriations 14 15 provided by item (01) of Section 7 3 herein, from the Chief Fiscal Officer of 16 the State, stating clearly the amount required. Upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and after seeking prior review by the Arkansas 17 18 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the State Auditor shall be 19 notified as to the amount and the purposes for which said appropriation is to 20 be made. The appropriation shall be established upon the books of the Department of Finance and Administration and the State Auditor. 21 22 further, that if desired, said appropriation shall be supplemental to those 23 regularly appropriated for such purposes by the General Assembly for that 24 agency. 25 SECTION 20. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS 26 27 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL. LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. 28 CLASSIFICATION AND USE OF APPROPRIATIONS. The appropriations authorized in 29 Item (05) of Section 7 3 hereof which are transferred to the various agencies as authorized by Section 12 18 hereof are to be used for the same purposes and 30 31 shall be expended under the same provisions as cited in Arkansas Code 19-4-501 32 through 19-4-525, the same being the General Accounting and Budgetary

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SECTION 21. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DISBURSING

Procedures Law of Arkansas, or its successor.

- ${\tt 1} \quad {\tt PROCEDURES}. \ \, {\tt The \ Employment \ Security \ Department \ shall \ certify \ to \ the \ respective}$
- 2 state agency at the end of each calendar quarter those unemployment
- 3 compensation benefit payments made to former state employees who claimed and
- 4 qualified for such benefits under the provisions of the Arkansas Employment
- 5 Security Law. Upon satisfaction by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State that
- 6 the payments to individuals who had worked for the State of Arkansas were made
- 7 in accordance with the provisions of the Arkansas Employment Security Law, he
- 8 shall disburse funds from the appropriation in Section 15 4 of this Act to
- 9 reimburse the Employment Security Department for benefits paid in the previous
- 10 calendar quarter.

19-4-521 through 19-4-525.

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12 SECTION 22. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. 13 14 PROCEDURES. In the event that the appropriation is not provided by the General 15 Assembly for Cash Fund expenditures for any state agency, pursuant to Arkansas 16 Code 19-4-801 et. seq., said agency shall request a transfer of appropriation from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, stating clearly the amount 17 18 Upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and after 19 seeking prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget 20 Committee, said cash fund appropriations shall be established upon the books 21 of the Department of Finance and Administration, provided further, that upon 22 request of the state agency and with the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer 23 of the State, the requested appropriations may be established upon the books 24 of the Department of Finance and Administration in compliance with the applicable classifications of appropriations as enumerated in Arkansas Code 25

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SECTION 23. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. The appropriations provided in Section 47 5 herein shall not be used to establish spending authority for new or unanticipated Federal Funds or Programs as defined by the provisions of the Miscellaneous Federal Grant Programs Act, Arkansas Code 19-7-501 et. seq., and the provisions of the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Act, Arkansas Code 19-4-101 et. seq., or its successor. Funds subject to the above mentioned acts shall be deposited in the State Treasury.

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6 7 SECTION 24. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SALARIES. No provisions as provided in Section 17 5 herein shall be interpreted as the authority to create or establish new positions in addition to the positions established in the agency's Biennial Appropriation Act. In addition, salaries paid from appropriations transferred herein shall be subject to the provision of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act.

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SECTION 25. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REPORTING. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall file with the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee a report summarizing all appropriations transferred and all additional positions authorized under the provisions of Section 24 6 of this Act.

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17 SECTION 26. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS 18 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER 19 PROCEDURES. In the event that the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State 20 determines that the General Assembly has not provided sufficient appropriation 21 for the payment of Personal Services for a state agency, office, board, 22 commission, institution or institution of higher education due to the 23 enactment of this act or any other Act approved by the Eighty-first Eighty-24 second General Assembly which raises the compensation level or required benefit matching costs of state employees, the agency, office, board, 25 26 commission, institution of higher education or other institution may request a 27 transfer from the appropriation provided herein from the Chief Fiscal Officer 28 of the State. Such request shall clearly state the amount required, the fund 29 or fund account from which the employees are currently being paid, and such other information as may be required by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State 30 31 that he deems necessary to make a decision regarding the request. approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State or upon processing the 32 33 request for elected Constitutional Officers and their employees by the Chief 34 Fiscal Officer of the State, the State Auditor shall be notified as to the 35 amount and the purposes for which said appropriation is to be made. The appropriation shall then be added to the proper account on the books of the 36

- 1 Department of Finance and Administration and the State Auditor payable from
- 2 the fund or fund account from which the employees of the state agency, office,
- 3 board, commission, institution of higher education or other institution are
- 4 authorized to be paid by law. Such appropriation transfers shall be limited
- 5 to Regular Salaries or Personal Services Matching or both.

SECTION 27. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING TRANSFER. Funding of compensation increases provided by the Eighty-first Eighty-second General Assembly in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999 2001, and funding for the appropriation transfers authorized by Section 25 26 of this Act for those state agencies, offices, boards, commissions, institutions and state institutions of higher education which are supported in whole or in part from general revenues shall, if required, be provided for by a transfer from the Merit Adjustment Fund to the proper fund or fund account and in such amounts as may be determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State. The state agencies, offices, boards, commissions, institutions and state institutions of higher education shall, in addition to the funds provided in this section for Personal Services from the Merit Adjustment Fund, make available any funding generated from its salary savings for such purposes as

 SECTION 28. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. Funds appropriated in Section 24 8 herein shall be used to provide additional funds as may be required for a cost of living increase for state employees and institutions of higher education of up to 3.2% during the 1998-99 2000-01 fiscal year.

provided for herein, from the funds or fund accounts as prescribed by law.

SECTION 29. 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 30. 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.

SECTION 31. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

 SECTION 32. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 33. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 34. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Eighty-second General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1999 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1999 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.

Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1999.

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