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2 82nd General Assembly

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3 Regular Session, 1999

SENATE BILL 253

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE
11 COUNCIL, THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH, AND THE
12 INTERIM COMMITTEES OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY
13 FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2001; AND FOR
14 OTHER PURPOSES. "

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Subtitle

17 "AN ACT FOR THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE
18 RESEARCH AND THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
19 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1999-2001 BIENNIUM. "

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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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24 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for
25 the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council for the ~~1997-99~~
26 1999-2001 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees, the
27 grades to be assigned to the respective positions, and the maximum annual
28 salaries for each such position. The maximum annual salary for the position
29 assigned to grades shall be determined in accordance with, but shall not
30 exceed the maximum annual amount for the grade assigned herein, as established
31 in Arkansas Code 21-5-209. ~~The maximum annual salary of the Director,~~
32 ~~Assistant Directors, Special Assistant for Budget, Senior Staff Attorney,~~
33 ~~Chief Economist, State Personnel Review Administrator, and Legislative~~
34 ~~Automated System Coordinator of said agency shall not exceed the maximum set~~
35 ~~forth herein.~~ Except for the purpose of determining the maximum annual salary
36 rate, which is to be applicable to each of the positions to which a salary

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1 grade is assigned hereinafter, in accordance with the provisions of Arkansas
 2 Code 21-5-209, all positions set forth herein shall be exempt from other
 3 provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its
 4 successor, but shall not be exempt from the provisions of the Regular Salaries
 5 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or its successor.

			Maximum Annual		
			Maximum	Salary Rate	
			No. of	Fiscal Years	
Item	Class	Title	Employees	1999-2000	2000-2001
11	(1)	DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF LEGIS RESEARCH	1	\$111,477	\$114,599
12	(2)	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	2	\$108,864	\$111,912
13	(3)	SPECIAL ASSISTANT/ BUDGET	1	\$91,815	\$94,386
14	(4)	SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	1	\$83,242	\$85,573
15	(5)	CHIEF ECONOMIST	1	\$80,318	\$82,567
16	(6)	PERSONNEL REVIEW ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$83,242	\$85,573
17	(7)	ADMINISTRATOR – PERFORMANCE BUDGET	1	\$75,000	\$77,100
18	(8)	LEGIS AUTOMATED SYSTEM COORDINATOR	1	\$73,476	\$80,824
19	(9)	SPECIAL ADVISOR/ECONOMICS	1	\$64,887	\$66,704
20	(10)	SPECIAL ADVISOR/WELFARE REFORM	1	\$64,887	\$66,704
21	(11)	SENIOR ANALYST	2	\$58,916	\$60,566
22	(12)	NETWORK PLANNING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 26	
23	(13)	LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY	8	GRADE 25	
24	(14)	LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE 25	
25	(15)	PROGRAM ANALYST	1	GRADE 25	
26	(16)	SPECIAL PROJECTS ANALYST	1	GRADE 22	
27	(17)	ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 22	
28	(18)	DIRECTOR'S EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	GRADE 22	
29	(19)	LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	28	GRADE 22	
30	(20)	PC SUPPORT SPECIALIST	6	GRADE 22	
31	(21)	LEGISLATIVE ADMIN ASSISTANT	8	GRADE 20	
32	(22)	ASSISTANT TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	2	GRADE 19	
33	(23)	LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH ASSISTANT	1	GRADE 18	
34	(24)	BUREAU FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE 18	
35	(25)	REFERENCE ANALYST	1	GRADE 18	
36	(26)	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	5	GRADE 18	

1	(27)	OFFICE SERVICES SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 18
2	(28)	LEGIS MICRO/ PHOTO SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 17
3	(29)	DATA CONTROL CLERK	1	GRADE 16
4	(30)	LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE SECRETARY	11	GRADE 14
5	(31)	COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM MGR	1	GRADE 13
6	(32)	LEGIS CLERICAL SPECIALIST	1	GRADE 11
7	(33)	FACILITIES COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 10
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9		SENIOR CAREER SERVICE POSITIONS		
10	(34)	LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	1	\$68,300 \$70,213
11	(35)	LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	1	\$62,696 \$64,451
12	(36)	LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY	2	GRADE 26
13	(37)	ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 25
14	(38)	DIRECTOR'S EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	GRADE 25
15	(39)	LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	5	GRADE 25
16	(40)	LEGIS MICRO/ PHOTO SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 20
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18		CONTINGENCY POSITIONS		
19	(41)	LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	1	\$85,000 \$87,380
20	(42)	LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH SUPERVISOR	1	\$75,000 \$77,100
21	(43)	LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY	2	GRADE 25
22	(44)	SENIOR LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	3	GRADE 24
23	(45)	NETWORK CONTROL TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE 22
24	(46)	PC SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE 22
25	(47)	APPLICATIONS/TEXT PROGRAMMER	2	GRADE 22
26	(48)	LEGISLATIVE ANALYST	5	GRADE 22
27	(49)	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	5	GRADE 18
28	(50)	LEGISLATIVE CLERICAL SPECIALIST	<u>2</u>	GRADE 11
29		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	132	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council for the 1999-2001 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: twenty (20) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and

1 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 2 classification.

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4 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 5 Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council, to be payable from
 6 the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses
 7 of the Bureau of Legislative Research and the Legislative Council for the
 8 biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

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ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
NO.		1999-2000	2000-2001
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 5,305,178	\$ 5,340,697
(02)	EXTRA HELP	29,178	29,178
(03)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	1,259,670	1,268,056
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	765,886	765,886
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	195,830	195,830
	(C) PROF. FEES	425,295	425,295
	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	212,919	189,885
	(E) DATA PROC.	69,711	69,711
(05)	COMMITTEE ROOMS	<u>105,063</u>	<u>105,063</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 8,368,730</u>	<u>\$ 8,389,601</u>

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24 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - CONTINGENCY. There is hereby appropriated, to
 25 the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council, to be payable
 26 from the State Central Services Fund, for additional personal services and
 27 operating expenses of the Bureau of Legislative Research and the Legislative
 28 Council - Contingency for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the
 29 following:

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ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
NO.		1999-2000	2000-2001
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 1,027,637	\$ 1,035,088
(02)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	237,614	239,337
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	83,014	83,014

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1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	36,759	36,759
2	(C) PROF. FEES	155,624	155,624
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	82,209	13,658
4	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,622,857</u>	<u>\$ 1,563,480</u>

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7 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - INTERIM COMMITTEE STUDY EXPENSES. There is
 8 hereby appropriated, to the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative
 9 Council Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the State Central Services
 10 Fund, for study expenses of the Ad Interim Committees of the Arkansas General
 11 Assembly for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

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13	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
15	(01) INTERIM COMMITTEE STUDY EXPENSES	<u>\$ 271,060</u>	<u>\$ 271,060</u>

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17 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - INTERIM COMMITTEE EXPENSES. There is hereby
 18 appropriated, to the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council
 19 Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for
 20 paying per diem, expenses, and mileage to members of the General Assembly
 21 attending regular and special meetings and other committee related activities
 22 of the Ad Interim Committees of the Arkansas General Assembly, and for out-of-
 23 state travel expenses for committee staff as approved by the appropriate
 24 committee for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

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26	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
28	(01) PER DIEM, EXPENSES, AND MILEAGE		
29	FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL		
30	ASSEMBLY AD INTERIM COMMITTEES	\$ 1,419,199	\$ 1,419,199
31	(02) OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL OF INTERIM		
32	COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE		
33	STAFF WHO ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE		
34	APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE	<u>277,197</u>	<u>277,197</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,696,396</u>	<u>\$ 1,696,396</u>

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SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - ENERGY COUNCIL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for paying the State's contribution to the Energy Council, paying expenses of members of the Arkansas General Assembly attending meetings of the Energy Council and for other associated expenses for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	1999-2000	2000-2001
(01) PAYMENT OF STATE'S CONTRIBUTION, EXPENSES OF MEMBERS AND OTHER EXPENSES	\$ 97,806	\$ 97,806

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - EXCELLENCE IN ARKANSAS PUBLIC EDUCATION TASK FORCE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for paying per diem, mileage and expenses for the non-legislative members of the Excellence in Arkansas Public Education Task Force, for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	1999-2000	2000-2001
(01) PER DIEM, MILEAGE AND EXPENSES FOR NON-LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS OF THE EXCELLENCE IN ARKANSAS PUBLIC EDUCATION TASK FORCE	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500

SECTION 9. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER PROVISION. Any unexpended balance of any appropriation provided in this Act which remains at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~1998~~ 2000, shall be transferred forward and made available for the same purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~1999~~ 2001. In the event that unforeseen circumstances arise during the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~1998~~ 2000 such that any appropriations made available for that year are insufficient, the Director of

1 the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council shall certify
2 the amount thereof to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, who upon receipt
3 of the certification, shall transfer the amount so certified from the
4 appropriation authorized for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~1999~~ 2001 to the
5 appropriate appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~1998~~ 2000.

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7 SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
8 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
9 PROVISION - LINE ITEMS. The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research is
10 hereby authorized to direct the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to transfer
11 appropriation between the appropriations made by this Act in such amounts as
12 determined necessary in either fiscal year of the ~~1997-99~~ 1999-2001 biennium.
13 In no event, however, shall the Regular Salaries line item in Section 3 be
14 increased or decreased by such transfers authorized herein, unless
15 specifically approved by the Executive Committee of the Legislative Council.

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17 SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
18 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
19 CONTINGENCY POSITIONS - RESTRICTIONS. The positions authorized as Contingency
20 in this Act shall be filled only in the event that programs are required to be
21 implemented that were not contemplated at the time of the submission by the
22 Bureau of Legislative Research of its ~~1997-99~~ 1999-2001 biennial budget
23 request to the Arkansas Legislative Council.

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25 SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
26 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SENIOR
27 CAREER SERVICE POSITIONS. The positions authorized in Section 1 of this Act
28 as "Senior Career Service Positions" shall be utilized only for those
29 incumbents on June 30, 1997 who would otherwise be unable to obtain the same
30 pay increases available to other employees of the Bureau of Legislative
31 Research due to the exceptional tenure and circumstances of the incumbents.
32 In the event that the employee being paid from a "Senior Career Service
33 Position" is no longer employed by the Bureau of Legislative Research, the
34 position shall remain vacant. As long as any "Senior Career Service Position"
35 is filled, a position with the same title authorized as a regular employee in
36 Section 1 shall not be filled.

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 2 SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 3 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. COST OF
 4 LIVING INCREASES. Employees of the Bureau of Legislative Research assigned to
 5 positions having a labor grade shall be eligible for cost-of-living increases
 6 on July 1, ~~1997~~ 1999 and July 1, ~~1998~~ 2000 in an amount equal to that granted
 7 to all other state agency, board, commission or institution of higher
 8 education employees on those dates. Any additional adjustments in annual
 9 salary rates for Bureau employees, labor market adjustments, merit pay
 10 adjustments or employee retention or recruitment requirements shall be made at
 11 the discretion of the Director of the Bureau.

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 13 SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 14 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DISBURSING
 15 OFFICER. The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research of the
 16 Legislative Council shall be the disbursing officer for the funds appropriated
 17 by this Act, including the Interim Committee Study Expenses and all
 18 expenditures from the appropriations provided by this Act shall be in
 19 accordance with procedures established by the Legislative Council and in
 20 accordance with appropriate law.

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 22 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TASK FORCE.
 23 *There is hereby appropriated to the Bureau of Legislative Research of the*
 24 *Legislative Council Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the State Central*
 25 *Services Fund, for paying per diem, mileage, and expenses for the non-*
 26 *legislative members of the Arkansas Information Technology Task Force, for the*
 27 *biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:*

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
<u>NO.</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
(01) PER DIEM, MILEAGE AND EXPENSES FOR		
NON-LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS OF THE		
ARKANSAS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
TASK FORCE	<u>\$ 12,500</u>	<u>\$ 12,500</u>

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 36 SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

1 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS
 2 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TASK FORCE PER DIEM AND MILEAGE. The non-legislative
 3 members of the Arkansas Information Technology Task Force shall receive per
 4 diem and mileage at the same rate authorized by law for attendance at meetings
 5 of interim committees of the General Assembly to be payable from the
 6 appropriation provided in this act for Per Diem, Mileage and Expenses for Non-
 7 legislative Members of the Arkansas Information Technology Task Force.

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 9 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - HOUSE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated
 10 to the Arkansas House of Representatives, to be payable from the
 11 Constitutional Officers Fund, for necessary expenses of the Arkansas House of
 12 Representatives of the 82nd General Assembly for the remainder of the fiscal
 13 year ending June 30, 1999, which shall be supplemental and in addition to
 14 those funds appropriated in Section 1 of Act 2 of 1999, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>1998-99</u>
(01) SALARIES OF EMPLOYEES	\$ 50,000
(02) MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND EXPENSE	<u>200,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 250,000</u>

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 22 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - SENATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 23 appropriated to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the Constitutional
 24 Officers Fund, for necessary expenses of the Arkansas Senate of the 82nd
 25 General Assembly for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999,
 26 which shall be supplemental and in addition to those funds appropriated in
 27 Section 1 of Act 1 of 1999, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>1998-99</u>
(01) SALARIES OF EMPLOYEES	\$ 50,000
(02) MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND EXPENSE	<u>200,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 250,000</u>

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 35 SECTION 19. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
 36 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds

1 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
 2 restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary
 3 Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures
 4 and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of
 5 this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of
 6 Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied
 7 with in disbursement of said funds.

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 9 SECTION 20. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
 10 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
 11 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
 12 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
 13 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
 14 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
 15 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint
 16 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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 18 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE EXPENSES. There is
 19 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas House of Representatives, to be payable
 20 from the State Central Services Fund, for paying per diem, expenses and
 21 mileage to members of the House of Representatives attending regular and
 22 special meetings and other committee related activities of the House Select
 23 Committees for the biennial period ending June 30, 2001, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
<u>NO.</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
(01) PER DIEM, EXPENSES AND MILEAGE FOR		
MEMBERS OF HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEES	<u>\$ 50,000</u>	<u>\$ 50,000</u>

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 30 SECTION 22. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 31 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
 32 ELECTRICITY DEREGULATION SET ASIDE. The Bureau of Legislative Research of the
 33 Legislative Council Disbursing Officer shall set aside \$50,000 of the
 34 appropriation provided in this act for Interim Committee Study Expenses for
 35 the purpose of paying the expenses incurred in obtaining the necessary
 36 resources to insure that residential consumer interests are evaluated in any

1 electricity deregulation proposal considered by the House Insurance and
2 Commerce Committee, during the biennial period ending June 30, 2001.

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4 SECTION 23. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent
5 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
6 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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8 SECTION 24. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or the application
9 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall
10 not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given
11 effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the
12 provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

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14 SECTION 25. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with
15 this act are hereby repealed.

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17 SECTION 26. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
18 Eighty-second General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
19 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that
20 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1999 is essential to the operation of
21 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
22 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
23 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1999 could work irreparable harm upon the
24 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
25 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
26 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
27 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1999, except
28 for Section 17 and Section 18 which shall be in full force and effect from and
29 after the date of passage and approval of this act.

30 /s/ Joint Budget Committee

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