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A Bill

SENATE BILL 301

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF
NURSING FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2003;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD
OF NURSING APPROPRIATION FOR THE
2001-2003 BIENNIAL PERIOD.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Arkansas State Board of Nursing for the 2001-2003 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

	Maximum Annual
Maximum	Salary Rate

Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Years
No.	Code Title	Employees	2001-2002 2002-2003
(1)	7117 NURSE BD NURSING EXEC DIRECTOR	1	\$66,265 \$67,987
(2)	9005 NURSING BOARD GENERAL COUNSEL	1	\$64,205 \$65,874
(3)	7122 NURSE BD DIR NURSING PRACTICE	1	\$55,864 \$57,316
(4)	7370 DIR OF NURSING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS	1	\$55,864 \$57,316
(5)	9032 NURSE BD DIR OF ADVANCED NRSNG PRACT	1	\$55,864 \$57,316
(6)	9007 NURSING BOARD NURSING PRACTICE CONS	1	\$51,053 \$52,380
(7)	7590 COMPUTER SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	\$47,740 \$48,981
(8)	7119 NURSE BD DIR OF ACCT/INFO SVCS	1	\$36,250 \$37,192
(9)	7118 NURSE BD NURSING ADMIN ASST	2	\$35,155 \$36,069
(10)	9031 NURSE BD DISCIPLINARY COORDINATOR	1	\$35,155 \$36,069
(11)	7120 NURSE BD NURSING SECRETARY	4	\$31,576 \$32,396
(12)	7178 NURSING BOARD NURSING SECRETARY	<u>2</u>	\$25,483 \$26,145
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	17	

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Board of Nursing, to be payable from the State Board of Nursing Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas State Board of Nursing for the biennial period ending June 30, 2003, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS
NO.	2001-2002 2002-2003
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 715,840 \$ 734,443
(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	177,167 180,463
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	339,198 342,298
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	22,748 20,448
(C) PROF. FEES	17,482 17,482
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	3,500 8,500
(E) DATA PROC.	48,500 48,500
(04) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS FOR OVERPAYMENT	
OF LICENSING EXPENSES	<u>1,000</u> <u>1,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,325,435</u> <u>\$ 1,353,134</u>

SECTION 3. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED

SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND BALANCES. (A) For all appropriations as provided in this Act, the agency disbursing officer shall monitor the level of fund balances in relation to expenditures on a monthly basis. If any proposed expenditures would cause a fund balance to decline to less than fifty percent (50%) of the balance available on July 1, 2001, the disbursing officer shall immediately notify the executive head of the agency. Prior to any obligations being made under these circumstances, the agency head shall file written documentation with the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State requesting approval of the expenditures. Such documentation shall provide sufficient financial data to justify the expenditures and shall include the following:

- 1) a plan that clearly indicates the specific fiscal impact of such expenditures on the fund balance.
- 2) information clearly indicating and explaining what programs would be cut or any other measures to be taken by the agency to restore the fund balance.
- 3) the extent to which any of the planned expenditures are for one-time costs or one-time purchase of capitalized items.
- 4) a statement certifying that the expenditure of fund balances will not jeopardize the financial health of the agency, nor result in a permanent depletion of the fund balance.

(B) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall review the request and approve or disapprove all or any part of the request, after having sought prior review by the Legislative Council.

SECTION 4. 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 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained

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

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8 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
9 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
10 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
11 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2001 is essential to the operation of the
12 agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the
13 event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date
14 of this Act beyond July 1, 2001 could work irreparable harm upon the proper
15 administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an
16 emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the
17 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full
18 force and effect from and after July 1, 2001.