

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2003

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1206

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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
10 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE STATE
11 BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
12 FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2005; AND
13 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE STATE BOARD OF
17 REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
18 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2003-2005
19 BIENNIUM.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the State
26 Board of Registration for Professional Geologists for the 2003-2005 biennium,
27 the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be
28 governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act
29 (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory
30 thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum
31 annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the
32 provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons
33 occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions
34 of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-
35 101), or its successor.
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Item	Class	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Years	
				2003-2004	2004-2005
(1)	8706	GEOLOGY BRD BUSINESS CONTROLLER I	<u>1</u>	\$25,120	\$25,773
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1		

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists for the 2003-2005 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: one (1) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEARS	
		2003-2004	2004-2005
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 25,120	\$ 25,773
(02)	EXTRA HELP	3,000	3,000
(03)	PERSONAL SERV MATCH	7,627	7,686
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	9,000	9,000
(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	1,500	1,500
(C)	PROF. FEES	0	0
(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
(E)	DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 46,247</u>	<u>\$ 46,959</u>

SECTION 4. EMPLOYMENT OF ATTORNEYS. None of the funds appropriated in

1 this Act for Maintenance and General Operation shall be expended in payment
 2 for services of attorneys, unless the agency shall first make a request in
 3 writing to the Attorney General of the State of Arkansas to provide the
 4 required legal services. The Attorney General's Office shall provide the
 5 requested legal services, or, if the Attorney General's Office shall
 6 determine that sufficient personnel are not available to provide the
 7 requested legal services, the Attorney General shall certify the same to the
 8 agency and may authorize the agency to employ legal counsel and to expend
 9 monies appropriated for Maintenance and General Operations therefor, if:

- 10 (1) The Attorney General determines, and certifies in writing, that such
 11 agency needs the advice or assistance of legal counsel, and
- 12 (2) The Attorney General consents in writing to the employment of the
 13 legal counsel to be retained by the agency.

14 Such certification shall be required with respect to each instance of the
 15 employment of special legal counsel, or shall be required annually with
 16 respect to legal counsel employed on a retainer basis. A copy of such
 17 certification shall be entered in the official minutes of the agency, and
 18 shall be retained in the fiscal records of the agency for audit purposes.
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20 SECTION 5. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED
 21 SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND BALANCES. PROFESSIONAL
 22 GEOLOGISTS BOARD - CASH FUND DEPOSITED IN THE STATE TREASURY AS DETERMINED BY
 23 THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER OF THE STATE. (A) For all appropriations as
 24 provided in this Act, the agency disbursing officer shall monitor the level
 25 of fund balances in relation to expenditures on a monthly basis. If any
 26 proposed expenditures would cause the Professional Geologists Board cash fund
 27 deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 28 the State to decline below Eighty Four Thousand Fifty Six Dollars (\$84,056) a
 29 ~~fund balance to decline to less than fifty percent (50%) of the balance~~
 30 ~~available on July 1, 2001,~~ the disbursing officer shall immediately notify
 31 the executive head of the agency. Prior to any obligations being made under
 32 these circumstances, the agency head shall file written documentation with
 33 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State requesting approval of the
 34 expenditures. Such documentation shall provide sufficient financial data to
 35 justify the expenditures and shall include the following:
 36 1) a plan that clearly indicates the specific fiscal impact of such

1 expenditures on the fund balance.

2 2) information clearly indicating and explaining what programs would be cut
3 or any other measures to be taken by the agency to restore the fund balance.

4 3) the extent to which any of the planned expenditures are for one-time costs
5 or one-time purchase of capitalized items.

6 4) a statement certifying that the expenditure of fund balances will not
7 jeopardize the financial health of the agency, nor result in a permanent
8 depletion of the fund balance.

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

12 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003
13 through June 30, 2005.

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15 SECTION 6. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
16 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
17 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
18 restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
19 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
20 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
21 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
22 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
23 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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25 SECTION 7. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
26 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
27 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
28 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
29 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
30 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
31 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
32 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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34 SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
35 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
36 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the

1 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2003 is essential to the operation of
2 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
3 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
4 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2003 could work irreparable harm upon the
5 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
6 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
7 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
8 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2003.

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