

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

SENATE BILL 179

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL  
10 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS  
11 STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD  
12 ENDING JUNE 30, 2005; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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15 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STUDENT LOAN  
16 AUTHORITY APPROPRIATION FOR THE  
17 2003-2005 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 Arkansas  
24 Student Loan Authority for the 2003-2005 biennium, the following maximum  
25 number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the  
26 provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code  
27 §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.  
28 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual  
29 salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of  
30 said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying  
31 positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the  
32 Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101),  
33 or its successor.  
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Maximum Annual  
Maximum Salary Rate



Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Years		
No.	Code	Title	Employees	2003-2004	2004-2005
(1)	9760	DIRECTOR STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY	1	\$85,424	\$87,447
(2)	9100	STUDENT LOAN CHIEF FINANCIAL OFCR	1	\$57,074	\$58,558
(3)	A032	AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE 22	
(4)	R490	STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 20	
(5)	A077	STUDENT LOAN OFFICER	<u>1</u>	GRADE 18	
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	5		

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Student Loan Authority, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Student Loan Authority, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Student Loan Authority for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
	2003-2004	2004-2005
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 256,720	\$ 263,652
(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCH	62,265	63,493
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	178,000	186,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000	15,000
(C) PROF. FEES	5,100,000	5,100,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
(E) DATA PROC.	100	100
(04) GUARANTEE FEES FOR LOANS	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 5,612,285</u>	<u>\$ 5,628,445</u>

SECTION 3. EMPLOYMENT OF ATTORNEYS. None of the funds appropriated in this Act for Maintenance and General Operation shall be expended in payment for services of attorneys, unless the agency shall first make a request in writing to the Attorney General of the State of Arkansas to provide the required legal services. The Attorney General's Office shall provide the requested legal services, or, if the Attorney General's Office shall determine that sufficient personnel are not available to provide the requested legal services, the Attorney General shall certify the same to the

1 agency and may authorize the agency to employ legal counsel and to expend  
 2 monies appropriated for Maintenance and General Operations therefor, if:

3 (1) The Attorney General determines, and certifies in writing, that such  
 4 agency needs the advice or assistance of legal counsel, and

5 (2) The Attorney General consents in writing to the employment of the  
 6 legal counsel to be retained by the agency.

7 Such certification shall be required with respect to each instance of the  
 8 employment of special legal counsel, or shall be required annually with  
 9 respect to legal counsel employed on a retainer basis. A copy of such  
 10 certification shall be entered in the official minutes of the agency, and  
 11 shall be retained in the fiscal records of the agency for audit purposes.  
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13 SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized  
 14 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds  
 15 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the  
 16 restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and  
 17 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
 18 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
 19 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
 20 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
 21 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.  
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23 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
 24 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
 25 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
 26 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
 27 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
 28 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
 29 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
 30 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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32 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
 33 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
 34 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
 35 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2003 is essential to the operation of  
 36 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in

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

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