

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.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1404

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  
11 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE  
12 DEAF FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30,  
13 2007; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
17 - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF  
18 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2005-2007  
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  
26 Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf for the 2005-2007  
27 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries  
28 shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and  
29 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and  
30 all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a  
31 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt  
32 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All  
33 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the  
34 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas  
35 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.  
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				Maximum	Maximum Annual	
				No. of	Salary Rate	
	Item	Class		Employees	Fiscal Years	
	No.	Code	Title		2005-2006	2006-2007
5	(1)	9949	ED SUPT DEAF SCHOOL	1	\$79,614	\$81,676
6	(2)	026Z	ASD/ASB BUSINESS MANAGER	1	GRADE 26	
7	(3)	E020	CURRICULUM DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 24	
8	(4)	E015	ED SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	2	GRADE 23	
9	(5)	990Z	ED COORD STUDENT ASSESSMENT PROGRAM	1	GRADE 23	
10	(6)	M122	EVAL/ADMISSIONS/HLTH SVCS MGR	1	GRADE 23	
11	(7)	R094	ASB/ASD PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE 22	
12	(8)	909Z	PROGRAM SUPPORT MANAGER	1	GRADE 22	
13	(9)	E057	TEACHER F/T SENSORY IMPAIRED SUPV	1	GRADE 22	
14	(10)	E028	ED PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE 21	
15	(11)	L122	PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINER II	2	GRADE 21	
16	(12)	L030	DIETARY SERVICES DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 21	
17	(13)	L008	SR AUDIOLOGIST	3	GRADE 20	
18	(14)	R266	MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST II	2	GRADE 20	
19	(15)	L140	SPEECH PATHOLOGIST II	5	GRADE 20	
20	(16)	M028	COUNSELOR II	2	GRADE 20	
21	(17)	E077	TEACHER F/T SENSORY IMPAIRED IV	13	GRADE 20	
22	(18)	E078	VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTOR IV	6	GRADE 20	
23	(19)	D121	USER SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE 20	
24	(20)	E014	DIRECTOR MULTI-MEDIA SERVICES	1	GRADE 19	
25	(21)	A110	ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE 19	
26	(22)	E039	LIBRARIAN III	1	GRADE 19	
27	(23)	E063	TEACHER F/T SENSORY IMPAIRED III	36	GRADE 19	
28	(24)	G026	BLDG AND GROUNDS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 19	
29	(25)	R030	ASST PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE 19	
30	(26)	R010	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	1	GRADE 17	
31	(27)	M039	HOUSEPARENT SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE 17	
32	(28)	Y039	HEATING & A/C MECHANIC	1	GRADE 17	
33	(29)	Y053	JOURNEYMAN CARPENTER	1	GRADE 17	
34	(30)	Y057	JOURNEYMAN PAINTER	1	GRADE 17	
35	(31)	Y061	JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER	1	GRADE 17	
36	(32)	R190	PERSONNEL OFFICER II	1	GRADE 17	

1	(33)	G161	GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPAIRMAN	4	GRADE 17
2	(34)	M034	HOUSEPARENT II	30	GRADE 15
3	(35)	A108	ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN II	3	GRADE 15
4	(36)	V011	CENTRAL SUPPLY SUPV	1	GRADE 15
5	(37)	M048	RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LEADER II	4	GRADE 15
6	(38)	L115	LPN II/LPTN II	3	GRADE 15
7	(39)	K041	EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	1	GRADE 14
8	(40)	K153	SECRETARY II	9	GRADE 13
9	(41)	H049	SUPERVISOR OF COOKING	4	GRADE 13
10	(42)	G115	NURSERY ASST & GROUNDSKEEPER SUPV	1	GRADE 13
11	(43)	E017	INSTITUTION ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN	1	GRADE 13
12	(44)	E027	INSTITUTIONAL TEACHER ASSISTANT	8	GRADE 13
13	(45)	R125	PERSONNEL OFFICER	1	GRADE 13
14	(46)	V043	SHIPPING & RECEIVING CLERK	1	GRADE 11
15	(47)	Y001	APPRENTICE TRADESMAN	2	GRADE 11
16	(48)	G165	WORK MAINTENANCE LEADER	1	GRADE 10
17	(49)	G006	MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR	1	GRADE 10
18	(50)	H027	COOK II	15	GRADE 10
19	(51)	G010	LAUNDRY SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE 08
20	(52)	G175	MAINTENANCE WORKER II	<u>5</u>	GRADE 05
21			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	192	

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23 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of  
 24 Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf for the 2005-2007 biennium, the  
 25 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as  
 26 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes:  
 27 forty five (45) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of  
 28 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and  
 29 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate  
 30 classification.

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32 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 33 to the Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf, to be payable  
 34 from the School for the Deaf Fund Account, for personal services and  
 35 operating expenses of the Department of Education - Arkansas School for the  
 36 Deaf - State Operations for the biennial period ending June 30, 2007, the

1 following:

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3	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
4	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>2006-2007</u>
5	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 5,242,473	\$ 5,400,766
6	(02) EXTRA HELP	50,000	50,000
7	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,839,624	1,874,600
8	(04) OVERTIME	25,000	25,000
9	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
10	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,551,305	1,551,305
11	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000	25,000
12	(C) PROF. FEES	100,000	100,000
13	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	65,000	65,000
14	(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
15	(06) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE	400,000	400,000
16	(07) VOCATIONAL WORKSTUDY	7,500	7,500
17	(08) SCPI/ASL	<u>240,000</u>	<u>240,000</u>
18	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 9,545,902</u>	<u>\$ 9,739,171</u>

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20 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 21 appropriated, to the Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf,  
 22 to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal  
 23 Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 24 Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf - Federal Operations  
 25 for the biennial period ending June 30, 2007, the following:

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27	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>2006-2007</u>
29	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 736,108	\$ 757,988
30	(02) EXTRA HELP	40,000	40,000
31	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	244,558	249,398
32	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	240,909	240,909
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	62,111	62,111
35	(C) PROF. FEES	286,200	286,200
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	129,500	129,500

1	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,739,386</u>	<u>\$ 1,766,106</u>

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4 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH OPERATIONS. There is hereby

5 appropriated, to the Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf,

6 to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the

7 Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf, for operating

8 expenses of the Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf - Cash

9 Operations for the biennial period ending June 30, 2007, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
12	NO.	2005-2006	2006-2007
13	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
14	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 147,136	\$ 147,136
15	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000	25,000
16	(C) PROF. FEES	28,000	28,000
17	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	75,000	75,000
18	(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
19	(02) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE	<u>145,000</u>	<u>145,000</u>
20	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 420,136</u>	<u>\$ 420,136</u>

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22 SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

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

24 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES. Employees who, in addition to working during the regular

25 school term, also work during summer months shall be authorized as additional

26 compensation an amount not to exceed 1/12 of their annual salary for each

27 month or part thereof worked. Such additional compensation shall not be

28 construed as exceeding the maximum salary authorized for said employees.

29 Payment of additional compensation shall be limited to employees in the

30 following classifications:

31	SUMMER SCHOOL POSITIONS	GRADE
32	Teacher for the Sens Imp I	17
33	Teacher for the Sens Imp II	18
34	Teacher for the Sens Imp III	19
35	Teacher for the Sens Imp IV	20
36	Speech Pathologist II	20

1	Vocational Instructor II	18
2	Vocational Instructor III	19
3	Vocational Instructor IV	20
4	Teacher for Sens Imp Super	22

5 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
6 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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8 SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SPECIAL  
10 ALLOWANCE. The Arkansas Schools for the Deaf and Blind may make special  
11 allowances available to any employee who performs one of the following duties  
12 in addition to their normal duties:

- 13 1) Teaching adult education classes, parent training, student tutorial  
14 services on weekends or evenings
- 15 2) Coaching one or more sports
- 16 3) Sponsoring a club or organization that involves additional hours outside  
17 of the normal working day.
- 18 4) Interpretive Services

19 Compensation for additional duties may not exceed \$3,000 per school term for  
20 any one employee during each fiscal year. Such additional compensation shall  
21 not be construed as exceeding the maximum salary authorized for said  
22 employee.

23 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
24 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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26 SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
27 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
28 ADDITIONAL SALARY/COMPENSATION PROVISION. No employee drawing a salary or  
29 other form of compensation from the Arkansas Schools for the Deaf or Blind  
30 shall be paid an additional salary or receive additional compensation, other  
31 than reimbursement for actual expenses, from that agency, nor from any other  
32 agency or institution of higher education, except from the Superintendent's  
33 written certification to and approval by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the  
34 State that the work performed by the employee for the other position does not  
35 interfere with the proper and required performance of the employee's primary  
36 duties, and that the combined salary payments from both positions will not

1 exceed the maximum annual salary for whichever of the two positions has the  
2 higher authorized maximum annual salary.

3 Any employee knowingly violating the provisions of this section shall be  
4 subject to immediate termination and shall be barred from employment by any  
5 agency or institution of the State of Arkansas for a period of not less than  
6 three (3) years or until such employee shall repay to the State of Arkansas  
7 any sums received by such employee in violation of this section, together  
8 with interest at a rate of ten percent (10%) per annum.

9 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
10 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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12 SECTION 9. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
13 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SHIFT  
14 DIFFERENTIAL. For Arkansas School for the Deaf, shift work must begin not  
15 earlier than 2:00 p.m. and end no later than 8:00 a.m. the following day.

16 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
17 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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19 SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
20 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TEACHERS  
21 FOR SENSORY IMPAIRED ENTERING STATE SERVICE. Upon the superintendent's  
22 certification to the State Personnel Administrator of prior service at an  
23 educational institution and most recent contractual salary, the salary of  
24 teachers holding certification in teaching the hearing impaired and entering  
25 state service as teachers for the sensory impaired may be adjusted to a rate  
26 of pay closest to but not less than their most recent annual salary.

27 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
28 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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30 SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE  
31 NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SIGN LANGUAGE  
32 PROFICIENCY INTERVIEW/AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE. The Arkansas School for the  
33 Deaf is hereby authorized, after prior review by the Arkansas Legislative  
34 Council upon certification by the superintendent of the Arkansas School for  
35 the Deaf to the Office of Personnel Management and approval of the Chief  
36 Fiscal Officer of the State to grant either a 2.5 percent (2.5%) salary bonus

1 payment to employees meeting the required level of Sign Language  
2 Communication Proficiency Interview (SCPI) for the employee's current  
3 position or up to a 10% salary increase for employees meeting minimum standards  
4 established under Arkansas code ACA 21-5-211 (1) (f) (i). The bonus may be  
5 awarded upon submission of documented proof of such certification provided  
6 the employee's most recent performance evaluation results in a satisfactory  
7 or better rating and provided that the employee has taken a minimum of one  
8 course in sign language or in linguistics of sign language after the  
9 employee's hire date. New and probationary employees shall be eligible for  
10 the bonus payments payment or salary increase after their probationary period  
11 expires provided that the above requirements are met. Employees are eligible  
12 for only one SCPI bonus payment as authorized by this subsection over the  
13 course of employment.

14 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
15 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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17 SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
18 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
19 PROVISION. Upon approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the  
20 Arkansas School for the Deaf shall transfer appropriation from the ~~Summer~~  
21 ~~Projects~~ Miscellaneous Activities line item in this Act, to Item No. (01)  
22 through Item No. (5) in Section 3 of this Act, to compensate ~~Teachers,~~  
23 ~~Houseparents, Food Service, Nursing~~ staff who work during the summer months  
24 on summer projects, and to cover other expenses of summer project activities,  
25 and to compensate ~~coaches and organization sponsors~~ employees as referenced  
26 in Section 7 of this Act and to compensate eligible staff for shift  
27 differential pay. Such additional compensation shall not be construed as  
28 exceeding the maximum salary authorized for said employees.

29 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
30 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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32 SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
33 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
34 MAINTENANCE/TRANSPORTATION/SECURITY. The Arkansas School for the Deaf shall  
35 be responsible for providing maintenance, transportation, and security for  
36 the Arkansas School for the Blind. The Arkansas School for the Deaf is



1 authorized to spend general revenue funds to provide for these services.

2 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
3 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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5 SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SHARED  
7 SERVICES. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the State Treasurer are  
8 authorized to establish a joint paying account in the State Treasury, upon  
9 direction of the Board of Trustees for the Arkansas School for the Blind and  
10 the Arkansas School for the Deaf. The Board may transfer positions, funds  
11 and appropriations to the paying account from either school to serve both  
12 schools in the areas of Accounting, Personnel, Inventory, Safety and Health  
13 Services.

14 Funding and appropriations for this account will be from transfers from  
15 the fund accounts and appropriations of each agency and shall be divided  
16 proportionately from each agency based on student population. Said funds  
17 shall be payable from the joint account as if the positions and other  
18 budgetary line items of appropriation had originally been established in the  
19 joint account. Supervision of this account and supervision of the positions  
20 within may come from either school as determined by the Board of Trustees.

21 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003  
22 2005 through June 30, ~~2005~~ 2007.

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24 SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
25 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TEACHER  
26 SALARY INCREASE. In the event that an act is enacted in which the public  
27 schools receive funds from the General Assembly to raise the salaries of  
28 teachers employed in the public school districts, the Arkansas School for the  
29 Deaf and the Arkansas School for the Blind shall be included.

30 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2005  
31 through June 30, 2007.

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33 SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
34 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SPECIAL  
35 RATES OF PAY. Due to the need to meet the minimum compensation schedule as  
36 established by Act 74 of the 2nd Extraordinary Session of the 84th General

Assembly, or its successor, for public school teachers, counselors, and librarians and other education professional as listed in subsection (a) below, the Arkansas School for the Deaf is authorized to adjust current or new employees to at least the minimum level of compensation for public school employees.

For current or new employees in the positions listed in subsection (a) below, the Arkansas School for the Deaf may implement salary adjustments to maintain equity between their teacher salaries and those of Central Arkansas Public School Systems only after a plan for determining and implementing those adjustments has been reviewed by the Office of Personnel Management and by the Personnel Committee of the Arkansas Legislative Council and approved by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

For purposes of implementing the plan, the Arkansas School for the Deaf is authorized special rates of pay up to Pay Level IV for classifications listed in subsection (a) below.

(a) CLASS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
<u>E059</u>	<u>Teacher for the Sensory Impaired I</u>	<u>17</u>
<u>E061</u>	<u>Teacher for the Sensory Impaired II</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>E063</u>	<u>Teacher for the Sensory Impaired III</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>E077</u>	<u>Teacher for the Sensory Impaired IV</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>E080</u>	<u>Vocational Instructor I</u>	<u>17</u>
<u>E082</u>	<u>Vocational Instructor II</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>E076</u>	<u>Vocational Instructor III</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>E078</u>	<u>Vocational Instructor IV</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>E136</u>	<u>Orientation and Mobility Specialist</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>E036</u>	<u>Librarian I</u>	<u>17</u>
<u>E037</u>	<u>Librarian II</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>E039</u>	<u>Librarian III</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>M026</u>	<u>Counselor I</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>M028</u>	<u>Counselor II</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>E057</u>	<u>Teacher for the Sensory Impaired Supv.</u>	<u>22</u>
<u>E015</u>	<u>Education Principal</u>	<u>23</u>

Funding for the minimum compensation provided for in this section that is

1 supported in whole or in part from general revenues, shall, if required, be  
2 provided by a transfer from the Merit Adjustment Fund to the proper fund or  
3 fund account and in such amounts as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of  
4 the State. The Arkansas School for the Deaf shall, in addition to the funds  
5 provided in this Act for Annual Career Service Recognition Payments from the  
6 Merit Adjustment Fund, make available any funding generated from agency  
7 salary savings for such purposes from the funds or fund accounts as provided  
8 by law. The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,  
9 2005 through June 30, 2007.

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

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20 SECTION 18. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
21 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
22 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
23 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
24 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
25 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
26 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
27 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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29 SECTION 19. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
30 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
31 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
32 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2005 is essential to the operation of  
33 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
34 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
35 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2005 could work irreparable harm upon the  
36 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.

1 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
2 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
3 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2005.

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5 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*  
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