

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 85th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2005  
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*As Engrossed: S4/12/05*  
**A Bill**

SENATE BILL 669

5 By: Senator Higginbothom  
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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 ARKANSAS  
11 AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD  
12 ENDING JUNE 30, 2007; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

15 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE  
16 DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR THE  
17 2005-2007 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 Agriculture Department for the 2005-2007 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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35 Maximum Annual  
36 Maximum Salary Rate



Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Years
No. Code Title	Employees	2005-2006 2006-2007
(1) SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE	1	\$95,000 \$97,335
(2) AGRICULTURE ADMINISTRATIVE ASST.	<u>1</u>	GRADE 18
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department for the biennial period ending June 30, 2007, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	2005-2006	2006-2007
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 120,897	\$ 124,009
(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	32,643	33,483
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	22,250	24,750
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000	5,000
(C) PROF. FEES	0	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 180,790</u>	<u>\$ 187,242</u>

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts the following:

(A) For personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Agricultural Department, the sum of .....\$350,000.

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 Procurement 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

1 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
2 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
3 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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5 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
6 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
7 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
8 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
9 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
10 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
11 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
12 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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14 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
15 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
16 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
17 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2005 is essential to the operation of  
18 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
19 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
20 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2005 could work irreparable harm upon the  
21 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
22 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
23 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
24 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2005.

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26 /s/ Higginbothom  
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