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1 State of Arkansas  
2 86th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2007  
4

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1374

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 SECRETARY  
11 OF STATE FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30,  
12 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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15 AN ACT FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
16 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2007-2009  
17 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 - CENTRAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
24 established for the Secretary of State - Central Operations for the 2007-2009  
25 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries  
26 shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and  
27 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and  
28 all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a  
29 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt  
30 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All  
31 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the  
32 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas  
33 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.  
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35 Maximum Annual  
36 Maximum Salary Rate



1	Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Years	
2	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2007-2008	2008-2009
3	(1)	7001	SEC OF STATE CHIEF DEPUTY	1	\$91,412	\$93,240
4	(2)	9331	SEC OF STATE DEPUTY FOR ELECTION/CO	1	\$82,710	\$84,364
5	(3)	7019	SEC OF STATE GENERAL COUNSEL	1	\$78,601	\$80,173
6	(4)	8804	SEC OF STATE ASSISTANT COUNSEL	1	\$75,391	\$76,898
7	(5)	7016	SEC OF STATE INFO TECH DIRECTOR	1	\$75,391	\$76,898
8	(6)	7020	SEC OF STATE PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIRECTO	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
9	(7)	7015	SEC OF STATE BUSINESS DIRECTOR	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
10	(8)	7014	SEC OF STATE ELECTION DIRECTOR	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
11	(9)	7013	SEC OF STATE COMMUNICATION/ED DIR	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
12	(10)	7006	SEC OF STATE BUS AND COMMERCIAL SVC	1	\$63,535	\$64,805
13	(11)	9211	SOS VOTER SVCS SUPERVISOR	1	\$61,490	\$62,719
14	(12)	7031	SEC OF STATE PUBLICN/EVENTS COORD	1	\$60,285	\$61,490
15	(13)	9214	SOS EDUCATION COORDINATOR	1	\$58,404	\$59,572
16	(14)	9332	SEC OF STATE PROJECT COORDINATOR	3	\$53,333	\$54,399
17	(15)	7028	SEC OF STATE FINANCE MANAGER	1	\$53,333	\$54,399
18	(16)	7030	SEC OF STATE ELECTION SERVICES SUPV	1	\$52,549	\$53,599
19	(17)	7009	SEC OF STATE HUMAN RESOURCES MGR	1	\$52,489	\$53,538
20	(18)	7005	SEC OF STATE PROGRAMMER ANALYST	1	\$51,246	\$52,270
21	(19)	9330	SEC OF STATE ELECTION COORDINATOR	4	\$50,009	\$51,009
22	(20)	7040	SEC OF STATE PURCHASING MANAGER	1	\$48,010	\$48,970
23	(21)	7018	SEC OF STATE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	\$45,878	\$46,795
24	(22)	7058	SEC OF STATE ADMIN ASSISTANT	2	\$45,515	\$46,425
25	(23)	7008	SEC OF STATE ACCOUNTANT	4	\$43,724	\$44,598
26	(24)	9226	SOS VOTER SERVICES SYS ADMIN	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
27	(25)	9212	SOS VOTER SVCS PROJECT ADMR	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
28	(26)	8976	SEC OF STATE PC HARDWARE SPEC	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
29	(27)	7801	SEC OF STATE USER SUPPORT ANALYST	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
30	(28)	7004	SEC OF STATE PRODUCTION SPEC	1	\$43,226	\$44,090
31	(29)	7048	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL TOUR COORD	1	\$42,847	\$43,703
32	(30)	7150	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL HISTORIAN	1	\$42,792	\$43,647
33	(31)	7812	SEC OF STATE LEGAL ASSISTANT	1	\$42,154	\$42,997
34	(32)	9404	SEC OF STATE NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$42,024	\$42,864
35	(33)	9403	SEC OF STATE SECURITY ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$42,024	\$42,864
36	(34)	7151	SEC OF STATE CUSTOMER SVCS COORD	3	\$41,000	\$41,820

1	(35)	7033	SEC OF STATE COMM/EDUC COORD	1	\$41,000	\$41,820
2	(36)	7153	SEC OF STATE PUBLIC INFO OFFCR	1	\$40,215	\$41,019
3	(37)	7041	SEC OF STATE PHOTOGRAPHY MANAGER	1	\$37,471	\$38,220
4	(38)	7157	SEC OF STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ASST	1	\$37,051	\$37,792
5	(39)	7154	SEC OF STATE LEAD CORPORATIONS REP	2	\$37,051	\$37,792
6	(40)	7036	SEC OF STATE LEAD UCC REP	2	\$37,051	\$37,792
7	(41)	7010	SEC OF STATE RECORDS SPECIALIST	1	\$37,051	\$37,792
8	(42)	7811	SEC OF STATE VOTER SVCS REP	1	\$36,677	\$37,410
9	(43)	7037	SEC OF STATE ELECT SVCS REP	3	\$36,677	\$37,410
10	(44)	7800	SEC OF STATE BUSINESS ASSISTANT	1	\$35,128	\$35,830
11	(45)	7035	SEC OF STATE RECEPTIONIST II	1	\$34,110	\$34,792
12	(46)	7043	SEC OF STATE PHOTOGRAPHER	2	\$33,317	\$33,983
13	(47)	9210	SEC OF STATE ELECTION SVCS REP II	1	\$32,787	\$33,442
14	(48)	7802	SEC OF STATE CORPORATIONS REP	15	\$32,406	\$33,054
15	(49)	7168	SEC OF STATE UCC REP	3	\$32,406	\$33,054
16	(50)	7810	SEC OF STATE HELP DESK REP	2	\$32,164	\$32,807
17	(51)	9329	SEC OF STATE ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN	1	\$27,170	\$27,713
18	(52)	7169	SEC OF STATE PURCHASING ASST	2	\$26,711	\$27,245
19	(53)	7191	SEC OF STATE TOUR INFORMATION SPEC	1	\$24,700	\$25,194
20	(54)	7176	SEC OF STATE MAIL CLERK	<u>1</u>	\$24,492	\$24,981
21			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	88		

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23 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - CENTRAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized,  
 24 for the Secretary of State - Central Operations for the 2007-2009 biennium,  
 25 the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known  
 26 as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes:  
 27 twenty-five (25) 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 - CENTRAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 33 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central  
 34 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Secretary  
 35 of State - Central Operations for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009,  
 36 the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 3,825,331	\$ 3,901,807
(02) EXTRA HELP	84,725	84,725
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,217,184	1,235,050
(04) OVERTIME	10,000	10,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	925,085	925,085
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	36,292	36,292
(C) PROF. FEES	44,136	44,136
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
(E) DATA PROC.	99,866	99,866
(06) MANDATORY PUBLICATIONS	345,000	0
(07) PETITION VERIFICATION	475,000	0
(08) PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES	950,000	0
(09) RECORDS MANAGEMENT	1,325,528	0
(10) MOTOR VOTER SYSTEM OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE/ENHANCEMENT	1,006,703	1,006,703
(11) FLAGS	<u>181,250</u>	<u>181,250</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 10,526,100</u>	<u>\$ 7,524,914</u>

SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - SUPPORT OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Secretary of State - Support Operations for the 2007-2009 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

1	Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Years	
2	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2007-2008	2008-2009
3	(1)	9333	SEC OF STATE DEPUTY CONSTR/BLDG/GRN	1	\$82,710	\$84,364
4	(2)	7505	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE CHIEF	1	\$68,090	\$69,451
5	(3)	7045	SEC OF STATE BLDG GROUNDS DIRECTOR	1	\$65,974	\$67,293
6	(4)	7063	SEC OF STATE MASTER TRADES DIRECTOR	1	\$65,063	\$66,364
7	(5)	082D	CAPITOL ASST POLICE CHIEF	1	\$58,662	\$59,835
8	(6)	7046	SEC OF STATE GROUNDS MGR	1	\$57,113	\$58,255
9	(7)	7044	SEC OF STATE BLDG OPERATIONS MGR	1	\$57,113	\$58,255
10	(8)	9332	SEC OF STATE PROJECT COORDINATOR	1	\$53,333	\$54,399
11	(9)	7508	SEC OF STATE POLICE SERGEANT	3	\$51,456	\$52,485
12	(10)	9402	SEC OF STATE MASTER PLUMBER	1	\$47,139	\$48,081
13	(11)	8021	SEC OF STATE MASTER ELECTRICIAN	1	\$47,139	\$48,081
14	(12)	7054	SEC OF STATE CORPORAL	16	\$43,290	\$44,155
15	(13)	7049	SOS BUILDING AND GROUNDS SUPV	4	\$40,984	\$41,803
16	(14)	8022	SEC OF STATE BLDG&GRNDS PROJ COORD	1	\$40,068	\$40,869
17	(15)	7813	SEC OF STATE MAINTENANCE WORKER II	2	\$39,457	\$40,246
18	(16)	9401	SEC OF STATE ELECTRICIAN	1	\$38,872	\$39,649
19	(17)	9400	SEC OF STATE PLUMBER	1	\$38,872	\$39,649
20	(18)	7816	SEC OF STATE INMATE CREW GUARD II	1	\$36,423	\$37,151
21	(19)	7055	SEC OF STATE INMATE CREW GUARD I	4	\$31,715	\$32,349
22	(20)	7817	SEC OF STATE MAINTENANCE WORKER I	5	\$30,972	\$31,591
23	(21)	7080	SEC OF STATE CUSTODIAN II	1	\$30,577	\$31,188
24	(22)	7143	SEC OF STATE DISPATCHER	3	\$27,326	\$27,872
25	(23)	7821	SEC OF STATE CAPITOL HILL CUSTODIAN	1	\$25,345	\$25,851
26	(24)	7056	SEC OF STATE CUSTODIAN I	6	\$24,709	\$25,203
27	(25)	7818	SEC OF STATE GROUNDS ASSISTANT	1	\$24,008	\$24,488
28	(26)	7158	SEC OF STATE PARKING LOT ATTENDANT	1	\$24,008	\$24,488
29	(27)	7152	SEC OF STATE RECEPTIONIST I	1	\$24,008	\$24,488
30	(28)	083D	SEC OF STATE HOUSEKEEPER	<u>6</u>	\$24,008	\$24,488
31			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	68		

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33 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - SUPPORT OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized,  
 34 for the Secretary of State - Support Operations for the 2007-2009 biennium,  
 35 the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known  
 36 as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes:

1 five (5) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not  
 2 to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act,  
 3 or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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 5 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - SUPPORT OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 6 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central  
 7 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Secretary  
 8 of State - Support Operations for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009,  
 9 the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
13	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 2,630,375	\$ 2,682,951
14	(02) EXTRA HELP	9,000	9,000
15	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	823,603	834,250
16	(04) OVERTIME	23,000	23,000
17	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	958,100	958,100
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	13,400	13,400
20	(C) PROF. FEES	320,000	0
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
22	(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
23	(06) CAPITOL GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT	75,000	75,000
24	(07) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE	355,000	355,000
25	(08) BUILDING INSURANCE	<u>151,214</u>	<u>151,214</u>
26	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 5,358,692</u>	<u>\$ 5,101,915</u>

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 28 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT - TITLE 2 - FEDERAL.  
 29 There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from  
 30 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
 31 expenditures requiring state matching for maintenance, operating expenses and  
 32 associated costs for the Help America Vote Act for the biennial period ending  
 33 June 30, 2009, the following:

35	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
36	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>

1 (01) HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT \$ 2,000,000 \$ 2,000,000

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3 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - ELECTION ASSISTANCE FOR DISABLED - FEDERAL.

4 There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from  
5 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
6 grants, aid and professional fees and services for election assistance for  
7 the disabled for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) ELECTION ASSISTANCE FOR THE DISABLED	\$ 135,225	\$ 135,225

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13 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - CAPITOL GROUNDS MONUMENT/MEMORIAL PRESERVATION.

14 There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from  
15 the Capitol Grounds Monument And Memorial Preservation Fund, for various  
16 construction and operating expenses for the preservation of Monuments and  
17 Memorials on the State Capitol Grounds by the Secretary of State for the  
18 biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) VARIOUS OPERATING AND CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES FOR MONUMENT/MEMORIAL PRESERVATION	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000

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26 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE CAPITOL BUILDING AND GROUNDS  
27 RESTORATION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State,  
28 to be payable from cash funds deposited in the State Treasury as determined  
29 by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, from contributions and donations  
30 for maintenance and restoration projects by the Secretary of State for the  
31 biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
	2007-2008	2008-2009
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000

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1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0	0
2	(C) PROF. FEES	0	0
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
4	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 25,000</u>	<u>\$ 25,000</u>

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7 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATIONS - PARKING - CASH. There is hereby

8 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from cash funds as

9 defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Secretary of State, for various

10 operating and associated expenses for parking activity of the Secretary of

11 State for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

13	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
15	(01) VARIOUS PARKING EXPENSES	<u>\$ 260,000</u>	<u>\$ 260,000</u>

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17 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - FEE AND TAX REFUND. There is hereby

18 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the Miscellaneous

19 Revolving Fund, for refunds and reimbursements of corporate filing fees and

20 franchise taxes for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the following:

22	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
24	(01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 450,000</u>	<u>\$ 450,000</u>

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26 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - FIREFIGHTERS' MEMORIAL MONUMENT. There is

27 hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the Fallen

28 Firefighters' Memorial Fund, for various operating and construction expenses

29 for the Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Monument for the biennial period ending

30 June 30, 2009, the following:

32	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
34	(01) VARIOUS OPERATING AND CONSTRUCTION		
35	EXPENSES FOR THE FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS'		
36	MEMORIAL	<u>\$ 15,000</u>	<u>\$ 15,000</u>



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SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD. At the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2006~~ 2008, any unexpended appropriation and funds provided for in Professional Fees, Capital Outlay, Mandatory Publications, Petition Verification, Publish Legal Notices, Records Management, and Motor Voter System Operations/Maintenance/ Enhancement in Section 3 and for Professional Fees, ~~and~~ Capital Outlay, ~~and~~ Capitol Grounds Improvement and Special Maintenance in Section 6 of this Act, shall be carried forward and made available for the same purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2005~~ 2007 through June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

REIMBURSEMENT. The Miscellaneous Revolving Fund shall be reimbursed in the manner provided by law.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2005~~ 2007 through June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. STATE CAPITOL POLICE. In the event that sufficient revenues, in the judgment of the Secretary of State exist, the Secretary is hereby authorized to make additional salary payments from such funds to those employees who have attained law enforcement certification above the basic certificate level, as defined by the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards. It is the intent of this Section that such payment shall be optional, at the discretion of the Secretary, dependent on sufficient revenues and shall not be implemented using funds specifically set aside for other programs within the Department.

Employees shall be eligible for all or a portion of additional salary payments scheduled as follows:

- I. General Certificate - \$ 300 annually
- II. Intermediate Certificate - \$ 600 annually

1 III. Advanced Certificate - \$ 900 annually

2 IV. Senior Certificate - \$ 1,200 annually

3 Payment of such funds may be made monthly, quarterly, semiannually or  
4 annually depending upon the availability of revenues and shall be restricted  
5 to the following classifications:

6 1. Sec. of State Capitol Police Chief

7 2. Sec. of State Police Sergeant

8 3. Sec. of State Corporal

9 4. Sec. of State Assistant Chief

10 Payments made under this Section which are awarded as partial or lump sum  
11 payments shall not be considered as salary for purposes of retirement  
12 benefits but shall be subject to withholding of all applicable federal and  
13 state taxes. Payments made under this Section shall not be construed as  
14 exceeding the maximum annual salary of the employee.

15 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2005~~  
16 2007 through June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

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

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

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1        SECTION 19. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
2 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
3 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
4 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of  
5 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
6 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
7 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the  
8 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
9 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
10 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
11 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.

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