

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 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 256

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 OFFICIAL
11 COURT REPORTERS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS FOR THE
12 BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2009; AND FOR
13 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE -
17 OFFICIAL COURT REPORTERS APPROPRIATION
18 FOR THE 2007-2009 BIENNIUM.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT REPORTERS. There is hereby
25 established for the Official Court Reporters of the Circuit Courts for the
26 2007-2009 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose
27 salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification
28 and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor,
29 and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to
30 which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be
31 exempt from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation
32 Act. All persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed
33 by the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act
34 (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its successor.
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36 Maximum Annual



1		Maximum	Salary Rate
2	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Years
3	No. Code Title	Employees	2007-2008 2008-2009
4	(1) 029D COURT REPORTER	<u>116</u>	GRADE 19
5	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	116	

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 7 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - COURT REPORTERS. There is hereby appropriated,
 8 to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the Court Reporter's Fund, for
 9 personal services and operating expenses of the Official Court Reporters of
 10 the Circuit Courts for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009, the
 11 following:

13	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
14	NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009
15	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 5,889,784	\$ 6,007,524
16	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,679,881	1,703,725
17	(03) EXPENSE ALLOWANCE	300,000	300,000
18	(04) INDIGENT TRANSCRIPTS	550,000	550,000
19	(05) COURT REPORTER SUBSTITUTES	<u>275,000</u>	<u>275,000</u>
20	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 8,694,665</u>	<u>\$ 8,836,249</u>

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 22 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
 23 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
 24 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
 25 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 26 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 27 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 28 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 29 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 30 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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 32 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
 33 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
 34 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
 35 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
 36 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by

1 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
2 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
3 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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