1	State of Arkansas	A D:11		
2	86th General Assembly	A Bill		
3	Regular Session, 2007		SENATE BILL 75	
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5	By: Joint Budget Committee			
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled		
9	AN ACT TO	MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL		
10	SERVICES A	AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKA	NSAS	
11	STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD			
12	ENDING JUN	NE 30, 2009; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES	•	
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15		Subtitle		
16	AN ACT	FOR THE ARKANSAS STUDENT LOAN		
17	AUTHORI	ITY APPROPRIATION FOR THE		
18	2007-20	009 BIENNIUM.		
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21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GEN	ERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKAN	ISAS:	
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23	SECTION 1. REGULAR SA	LARIES. There is hereby established	ed for the Arkansas	
24	Student Loan Authority f	or the 2007-2009 biennium, the foll	owing maximum	
25	number of regular employ	ees whose salaries shall be governe	ed by the	
26	provisions of the Unifor	m Classification and Compensation A	ict (Arkansas Code	
27	- '	its successor, and all laws amendat	•	
28	Provided, however, that	any position to which a specific ma	ximum annual	
29	salary is set out herein	in dollars, shall be exempt from t	the provisions of	
30	said Uniform Classificat	ion and Compensation Act. All pers	ons occupying	
31	positions authorized her	ein are hereby governed by the prov	risions of the	
32	Regular Salaries Procedu	res and Restrictions Act (Arkansas	Code §21-5-101),	
33	or its successor.			
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35			Maximum Annual	
36		Maximum	Salary Rate	

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1	Item	n Class		No. of	Fiscal	Years
2	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2007-2008	2008-2009
3	(1)	9760	DIRECTOR STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY	1	\$93,749	\$95,623
4	(2)	9301	STUDENT LOAN FINANCE SPECIALIST	1	\$74,212	\$75,696
5	(3)	9100	STUDENT LOAN CHIEF FINANCIAL OF	CR 1	\$63,152	\$64,415
6	(4)	A032	AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE	22
7	(5)	R490	STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM COORDINATO	R 1	GRADE	20
8	(6)	A077	STUDENT LOAN OFFICER	1	GRADE	18
9		MAX.	NO. OF EMPLOYEES	6		

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, 2009, the following:

17	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS			
18	NO.	2007-2008	2008-2009		
19	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 350,343	\$ 357,347		
20	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	96,144	97,562		
21	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION				
22	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	315,932	339,546		
23	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	21,453	22,839		
24	(C) PROF. FEES	7,854,289	9,354,289		
25	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	13,000	18,500		
26	(E) DATA PROC.	100	100		
27	(04) BUILDING/LAND ACQUISITION	3,300,000	3,300,000		
28	(05) GUARANTEE FEES FOR LOANS	200	200		
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 11,951,461</u>	\$ 13,490,383		

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

- l determine that sufficient personnel are not available to provide the
- 2 requested legal services, the Attorney General shall certify the same to the
- 3 agency and may authorize the agency to employ legal counsel and to expend
- 4 monies appropriated for Maintenance and General Operations therefor, if:
 - (1) The Attorney General determines, and certifies in writing, that such agency needs the advice or assistance of legal counsel, and
- 7 (2) The Attorney General consents in writing to the employment of the 8 legal counsel to be retained by the agency.
- Such certification shall be required with respect to each instance of the employment of special legal counsel, or shall be required annually with respect to legal counsel employed on a retainer basis. A copy of such certification shall be entered in the official minutes of the agency, and shall be retained in the fiscal records of the agency for audit purposes.

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

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

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34 <u>SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.</u> It is found and determined by the General 35 <u>Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the</u> 36 <u>appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the</u>

1	effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of			
2	the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in			
3	the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective			
4	date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the			
5	proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.			
6	Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being			
7	necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and			
8	safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.			
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