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1 State of Arkansas
2 87th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2009

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1368

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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 OFFICE OF
11 ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE
12 30, 2010; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 AN ACT FOR THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY
16 GENERAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2009-2010
17 FISCAL YEAR.
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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 - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for
24 the Office of Attorney General for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following
25 maximum 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



1	Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Year
2	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2009-2010
3	(1)	Q066U	ATTORNEY GENERAL I	2	\$113,367
4	(2)	Q065U	ATTORNEY GENERAL II	9	\$103,617
5	(3)	Q124U	ATTORNEY GENERAL III	11	\$95,115
6	(4)	Q064U	ATTORNEY GENERAL IV	6	\$90,126
7	(5)	Q102U	CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	\$84,636
8	(6)	Q063U	ATTORNEY GENERAL V	9	\$81,738
9	(7)	Q067U	NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$80,627
10	(8)	Q061U	ATTORNEY GENERAL VI	11	\$77,089
11	(9)	Q009U	COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIRECTOR	1	\$75,684
12	(10)	Q060U	ATTORNEY GENERAL VII	14	\$72,214
13	(11)	Q062U	PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER	1	\$71,359
14	(12)	Q072U	COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER	1	\$66,487
15	(13)	Q033U	LOGISTICS DIRECTOR	1	\$64,872
16	(14)	Q075U	FISCAL SPECIALIST I	1	\$64,590
17	(15)	Q059U	OMBUDSMAN	1	\$61,106
18	(16)	Q101U	HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR	1	\$59,747
19	(17)	Q128U	ATTORNEY GENERAL VIII	4	\$59,403
20	(18)	Q070U	INVESTIGATOR II	3	\$58,815
21	(19)	Q034U	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I	1	\$58,435
22	(20)	Q002U	LEGAL ASSISTANT	1	\$56,795
23	(21)	Q052U	LAW ED ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$55,141
24	(22)	Q073U	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	\$54,923
25	(23)	Q006U	LAW ED INSTRUCTOR I	2	\$54,060
26	(24)	Q058U	EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	1	\$52,786
27	(25)	Q023U	NETWORK SPECIALIST I	1	\$51,115
28	(26)	Q004U	ASST LOGISTICS DIRECTOR	1	\$49,000
29	(27)	Q035U	LIBRARIAN	1	\$47,185
30	(28)	Q007U	FISCAL SPECIALIST II	1	\$46,975
31	(29)	Q057U	INVESTIGATOR IV	5	\$46,735
32	(30)	Q037U	NETWORK SPECIALIST II	1	\$46,735
33	(31)	Q053U	SECRETARY I	7	\$45,464
34	(32)	Q071U	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	3	\$44,311
35	(33)	Q032U	LAW ED INSTRUCTOR II	1	\$44,311
36	(34)	Q025U	PARALEGAL I	2	\$43,466

1	(35)	Q127U	INVESTIGATOR V	5	\$43,414
2	(36)	Q056U	SECRETARY II	3	\$43,044
3	(37)	Q047U	CONSUMER COUNSELOR	4	\$39,001
4	(38)	Q055U	SECRETARY III	10	\$37,980
5	(39)	Q005U	COURIER	1	\$37,980
6	(40)	Q036U	RECEPTIONIST	2	\$36,587
7	(41)	Q132U	COURIER II	1	\$35,081
8	(42)	Q129U	COURIER III	<u>1</u>	\$26,707
9			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	135	

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11 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the
 12 Office of Attorney General for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following
 13 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra
 14 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: eight (8)
 15 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed
 16 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its
 17 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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19 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to
 20 the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the State Central Services
 21 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Office of Attorney
 22 General for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

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24	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
26	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 8,924,164
27	(02) EXTRA HELP	37,224
28	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,388,072
29	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,855,137
31	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	99,779
32	(C) PROF. FEES	574,337
33	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	98,000
34	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 13,976,713</u>

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1 SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM. There is
 2 hereby established for the Office of Attorney General - Crime Victims
 3 Reparations Program for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following maximum
 4 number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the
 5 provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code
 6 §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.
 7 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual
 8 salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of
 9 said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying
 10 positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the
 11 Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101),
 12 or its successor.

14				Maximum Annual
15				Salary Rate
16	Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
17	No.	Code	No. of	2009-2010
	No.	Code	Employees	
18	(1)	Q060U	ATTORNEY GENERAL VII	1 \$72,214
19	(2)	Q038U	CRIME VICTIM ADMINISTRATOR	1 \$55,141
20	(3)	Q007U	FISCAL SPECIALIST II	1 \$46,975
21	(4)	Q127U	INVESTIGATOR V	<u>8</u> \$43,414
22	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES			11

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 24 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM. There is
 25 hereby authorized, for the Office of Attorney General - Crime Victims
 26 Reparations Program for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following maximum
 27 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",
 28 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary
 29 or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those
 30 provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its
 31 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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 33 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM. There is
 34 hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from
 35 the Crime Victims Reparations Revolving Fund, for personal services,
 36 operating expenses and the payment of claims by the Office of Attorney

1 General - Crime Victims Reparations Program for the fiscal year ending June
 2 30, 2010, the following:

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4	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
6	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 523,146
7	(02) EXTRA HELP	10,340
8	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	155,969
9	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
10	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	78,278
11	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	16,480
12	(C) PROF. FEES	85,918
13	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
14	(E) DATA PROC.	0
15	(05) CLAIMS	<u>3,137,892</u>
16	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 4,008,023</u>

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18 SECTION 7. REGULAR SALARIES - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM - FEDERAL.
 19 There is hereby established for the Office of Attorney General - Crime
 20 Victims Reparations Program - Federal for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the
 21 following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be
 22 governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act
 23 (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory
 24 thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum
 25 annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the
 26 provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons
 27 occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions
 28 of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-
 29 101), or its successor.

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31			Maximum Annual
32		Maximum	Salary Rate
33	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
34	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
35	(1) Q054U ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT III	<u>1</u>	\$30,525
36	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1	

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SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS PROGRAM - FEDERAL.
There is hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and the payment of claims by the Office of Attorney General - Crime Victims Reparations Program - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 31,425
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	10,983
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	26,900
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) CLAIMS	<u>1,456,213</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,525,521</u>

SECTION 9. REGULAR SALARIES - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - STATE. There is hereby established for the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud Division - State for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, 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	Maximum Annual Salary Rate
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Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
No.	Code Title	Employees	2009-2010
(1)	Q065U ATTORNEY GENERAL II	1	\$103,617
(2)	Q061U ATTORNEY GENERAL VI	2	\$77,089
(3)	Q024U AUDITOR	1	\$72,411
(4)	Q055U SECRETARY III	<u>1</u>	\$37,980
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	5	

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - STATE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud Division - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2009-2010
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 369,586
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	94,686
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	67,156
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	11,845
(C) PROF. FEES	7,725
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	7,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 557,998</u>

SECTION 11. REGULAR SALARIES - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - FEDERAL. There is hereby established for the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud Division - Federal for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, 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

1 Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101),
 2 or its successor.

3				4	Maximum Annual
5				Maximum	Salary Rate
6	Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Year
7	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2009-2010
8	(1)	Q131U	MEDICAID DIRECTOR	1	\$95,404
9	(2)	Q064U	ATTORNEY GENERAL IV	1	\$90,126
10	(3)	Q063U	ATTORNEY GENERAL V	1	\$81,738
11	(4)	Q008U	CHIEF INVESTIGATOR	1	\$76,850
12	(5)	Q074U	INVESTIGATOR I	2	\$63,912
13	(6)	Q130U	INVESTIGATOR III	5	\$58,289
14	(7)	Q003U	NURSE ANALYST	2	\$58,289
15	(8)	Q046U	ANALYST	1	\$50,561
16	(9)	Q025U	PARALEGAL I	1	\$43,466
17	(10)	Q056U	SECRETARY II	1	\$43,044
18	(11)	Q069U	CASE COORDINATOR	<u>1</u>	\$40,513
19			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	17	

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 21 SECTION 12. EXTRA HELP - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - FEDERAL. There is
 22 hereby authorized, for the Office of Attorney General - Medicaid Fraud
 23 Division - Federal for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the following maximum
 24 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",
 25 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary
 26 or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those
 27 provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its
 28 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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 30 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - FEDERAL. There is
 31 hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from
 32 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 33 personal services and operating expenses of the Office of Attorney General -
 34 Medicaid Fraud Division - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010,
 35 the following:

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1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
3	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 1,065,752
4	(02) EXTRA HELP	25,850
5	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	291,048
6	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	196,566
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	36,153
9	(C) PROF. FEES	24,153
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	26,780
11	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,666,302</u>

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14 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - MEDICAID FRAUD DIVISION - INDIRECT COSTS.

15 There is hereby appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be
 16 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 17 the State, for operating expenses of the Office of Attorney General -
 18 Medicaid Fraud Division - Indirect Costs for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 19 2010, the following:

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21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
23	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 290,000
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
26	(C) PROF. FEES	0
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
28	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 290,000</u>

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31 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - SPYWARE MONITORING. There is hereby

32 appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the
 33 Spyware Monitoring Fund, for administrative expenses and other associated
 34 expenses for the enforcement activities and monitoring of spyware by the
 35 Office of Attorney General - Spyware Monitoring for the fiscal year ending
 36 June 30, 2010, the following:

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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
4	(01) SPYWARE MONITORING	\$ <u>32,995</u>

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6 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - INTERNET CRIME CHILD. There is hereby

7 appropriated, to the Office of Attorney General, to be payable from the

8 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for

9 operating expenses of the Office of Attorney General - Internet Crime Child

10 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

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12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
14	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$ 45,450
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
17	(C) PROF. FEES	4,550
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
20	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ <u>50,000</u>

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22 SECTION 17. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

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

24 FEES. The disbursing officer of the appropriations provided for herein,

25 shall deposit all monies received by the Office of Attorney General as

26 attorney fees in the State Central Services Fund as direct revenues.

27 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2007~~

28 2009 through June 30, ~~2009~~ 2010.

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30 SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

31 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY

32 FORWARD. Any unexpended balance of ~~appropriation-funding~~ provided in this

33 Act, ~~excluding Regular Salaries~~, which remains at the close of the fiscal

34 year ending June 30, ~~2008~~ 2010, shall be carried forward and made available

35 for the same purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2009~~ 2011.

36 Any carry forward of unexpended balance of ~~appropriation and/or-funding~~ as

1 authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

2 (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2008~~ 2010 the Agency shall by written statement set
 3 forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said ~~appropriation and/or~~
 4 funding to the Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;

5 (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall
 6 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward ~~from~~
 7 ~~the first fiscal year of the biennium to the second fiscal year of the~~
 8 ~~biennium~~ by the September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget
 9 Committee meeting ~~in the second fiscal year of the biennial period~~ which
 10 report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution
 11 and the amount of the ~~appropriation and/or~~ funding carried forward ~~from the~~
 12 ~~first fiscal year to the second fiscal year~~, the program name or line item,
 13 the funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request
 14 set forth in (1) above;

15 (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written
 16 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
 17 containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written
 18 statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for
 19 which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30)
 20 days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents
 21 its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget
 22 Committee; and

23 (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include
 24 all information obtained in item (3) above in the ~~biennial~~ budget manuals
 25 and/or a statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or
 26 Institution.

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 28 SECTION 19. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 29 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
 30 PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 31 State, and prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council, the Office of
 32 Attorney General is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line item
 33 authorized in Section 3 Appropriation - Operations of the Office of Attorney
 34 General in this Act to any other line item authorized in Section 3.

35 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,
 36 ~~2007~~ 2009 through June 30, ~~2009~~ 2010.

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SECTION 20. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND TRANSFER. On the effective date of this Act, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his books and those of the State Treasurer and Auditor of State the balance of the Spyware Monitoring Program remaining on June 30, 2009 in the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund to the Spyware Monitoring Fund, there to be used by the Office of the Attorney General to provide for the continued enforcement of the Consumer Protection Against Computer Spyware Act (A.C.A. § 4-111-101 et seq.)

SECTION 21. 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.

SECTION 22. 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.

SECTION 23. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2009 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective

1 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2009 could work irreparable harm upon the
2 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
3 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
4 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
5 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2009.

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