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3 Regular Session, 2009  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1368

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

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.

			Maximum Annual
			Salary Rate
			Fiscal Year
Item	Class	Maximum	2009-2010
No.	Code Title	No. of Employees	2009-2010
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:

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.

31	32	33	34	Maximum Annual
Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Year	Salary Rate
<u>No.</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>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.

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

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

SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - INTERNET CRIME CHILD. 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 operating expenses of the Office of Attorney General - Internet Crime Child for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the following:

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

SECTION 17. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ATTORNEY FEES. The disbursing officer of the appropriations provided for herein, shall deposit all monies received by the Office of Attorney General as attorney fees in the State Central Services Fund as direct revenues.

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

SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD. Any unexpended balance of ~~appropriation-funding~~ provided in this Act, ~~excluding Regular Salaries~~, which remains at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2008~~ 2010, shall be carried forward and made available for the same purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2009~~ 2011. 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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2 SECTION 20. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
3 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND  
4 TRANSFER. On the effective date of this Act, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the  
5 State shall transfer on his books and those of the State Treasurer and  
6 Auditor of State the balance of the Spyware Monitoring Program remaining on  
7 June 30, 2009 in the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund to the Spyware Monitoring  
8 Fund, there to be used by the Office of the Attorney General to provide for  
9 the continued enforcement of the Consumer Protection Against Computer Spyware  
10 Act (A.C.A. § 4-111-101 et seq.)

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

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22 SECTION 22. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
23 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
24 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
25 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
26 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
27 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
28 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
29 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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31 SECTION 23. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
32 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
33 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
34 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2009 is essential to the operation of  
35 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
36 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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