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A Bill

SENATE BILL 64

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 STATE
11 BOARD OF COLLECTION AGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
12 ENDING JUNE 30, 2011; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE STATE BOARD OF COLLECTION
16 AGENCIES APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2010-2011
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 - DIVISION OF COLLECTIONS. There is hereby
24 established for the State Board of Collection Agencies - Division of
25 Collections for the 2010-2011 fiscal year, the following maximum number of
26 regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the
27 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et
28 seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however,
29 that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein
30 in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform
31 Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
32 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular
33 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
34 successor.
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Maximum Annual



Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2010-2011
4	(1) X001N	BD OF COLLECTION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N902
5	(2) X130C	BD OF COLLECTION FIELD INVESTIGATOR	1	GRADE C116
6	(3) C022C	BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C116
7	(4) C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<u>1</u>	GRADE C112
8	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		4	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - DIVISION OF COLLECTIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the State Board of Collection Agencies - Division of Collections for the 2010-2011 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one (1) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF COLLECTIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the State Board of Collection Agencies, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the State Board of Collection Agencies, for personal services and operating expenses of the State Board of Collection Agencies - Division of Collections for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 188,243
(02) EXTRA HELP	5,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	55,859
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	86,700
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,500
(C) PROF. FEES	21,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0

1	(05) DHS/UAMS/UCA GRANTS	1,100,000
2	(06) CLAIMS	<u>24,642</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,485,944</u>

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5 SECTION 4. EMPLOYMENT OF ATTORNEYS. None of the funds appropriated in
6 this Act for Maintenance and General Operation shall be expended in payment
7 for services of attorneys, unless the agency shall first make a request in
8 writing to the Attorney General of the State of Arkansas to provide the
9 required legal services. The Attorney General's Office shall provide the
10 requested legal services, or, if the Attorney General's Office shall
11 determine that sufficient personnel are not available to provide the
12 requested legal services, the Attorney General shall certify the same to the
13 agency and may authorize the agency to employ legal counsel and to expend
14 monies appropriated for Maintenance and General Operations therefor, if:

15 (1) The Attorney General determines, and certifies in writing, that such
16 agency needs the advice or assistance of legal counsel, and

17 (2) The Attorney General consents in writing to the employment of the
18 legal counsel to be retained by the agency.

19 Such certification shall be required with respect to each instance of the
20 employment of special legal counsel, or shall be required annually with
21 respect to legal counsel employed on a retainer basis. A copy of such
22 certification shall be entered in the official minutes of the agency, and
23 shall be retained in the fiscal records of the agency for audit purposes.

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25 SECTION 5. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
26 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
27 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
28 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
29 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
30 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
31 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
32 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
33 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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35 SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
36 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained

1 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
2 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
3 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
4 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
5 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
6 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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8 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
9 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
10 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
11 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2010 is essential to the operation of
12 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
13 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
14 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2010 could work irreparable harm
15 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
16 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
17 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
18 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2010.