

1 State of Arkansas
2 90th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2015
4

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1023

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR SALARIES OF
9 ELECTED PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS AND EXPENSES OF THE
10 JUDICIAL BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE AUDITOR OF
11 STATE - GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS, ARKANSAS SENATE AND
12 ARKANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
13 ENDING JUNE 30, 2016; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT FOR THE
17 2015-2016 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. APPROPRIATION - AUDITOR OF STATE DISBURSEMENTS. There is
24 hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the
25 Constitutional Officers Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of
26 the Auditor of State - General Appropriations for the fiscal year ending June
27 30, 2016, the following:
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29 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
30 NO.	2015-2016
31 (01) SALARIES OF TWENTY FIVE (25)	
32 PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS - DIVISION A	
33 OF \$124,394	\$3,109,850
34 (02) SALARIES OF THREE (3) PROSECUTING	
35 ATTORNEYS - DIVISION B OF \$104,089	312,267
36 (03) SPECIAL AND RECALLED JUDGES FOR THE	



1	CIRCUIT COURTS	350,000
2	(04) TRIAL JUDGES EXPENSES	400,000
3	(05) DISTRICT JUDGES TRAVEL EXPENSE	
4	REIMBURSEMENT	27,000
5	(06) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	<u>1,026,635</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$5,225,752</u></u>

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8 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. There is hereby

9 appropriated, to the Arkansas House of Representatives, to be payable from

10 the Constitutional Officers Fund, for reimbursements to Representatives for

11 interim expenses incurred as authorized by law of the Arkansas House of

12 Representatives for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
16	(01) INTERIM EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS	
17	FOR REPRESENTATIVES	<u>\$1,825,000</u>

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19 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS SENATE. There is hereby

20 appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the Constitutional

21 Officers Fund, for reimbursements to Senators for interim expenses incurred

22 as authorized by law of the Arkansas Senate for the fiscal year ending June

23 30, 2016, the following:

25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
27	(01) INTERIM EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS	
28	FOR SENATORS	<u>\$650,000</u>

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30 SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

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

32 DISBURSING OFFICER. The Auditor of State shall be disbursing officer for the

33 funds appropriated in Section 1 herein.

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35 SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

36 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SENATE

1 DISBURSEMENTS. The Secretary of the Senate shall be disbursing officer for
2 the funds appropriated for Interim Expense Reimbursements for Senators
3 herein.

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5 SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. HOUSE
7 DISBURSEMENTS. The Chief of Staff or his designee of the House of
8 Representatives shall be disbursing officer for the funds appropriated for
9 Interim Expense Reimbursements for Representatives herein.

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11 SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
12 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. HOUSE
13 INTERIM EXPENSE DISBURSEMENTS. The appropriations authorized in Section 2
14 shall be used for making reimbursements for interim expenses incurred by
15 members of the House of Representatives.

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17 SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
18 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SENATE
19 INTERIM EXPENSE DISBURSEMENTS. The appropriations authorized in Section 3
20 shall be used for making reimbursements for interim expenses incurred by
21 members of the Senate.

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23 SECTION 9. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
24 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
25 LEGISLATIVE INSTITUTE. Members of the preceding General Assembly and the
26 newly elected members of the House of Representatives and Senate shall be
27 eligible to attend the biennial Institute of Legislative Procedure and shall
28 be entitled, upon filing claim therefor, to per diem in the amount fixed by
29 law for members of the General Assembly to receive for attendance at
30 Legislative sessions, for each day in attending the biennial Institute of
31 Legislative Procedure plus mileage for traveling from their place of
32 residence to the biennial Institute of Legislative Procedure and return.

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34 SECTION 10. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
35 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
36 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for

1 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
2 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
3 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
4 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
5 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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7 SECTION 11. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
8 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
9 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
10 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2015 is essential to the operation of
11 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
12 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
13 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2015 could work irreparable harm
14 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
15 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
16 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
17 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2015.
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