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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION
10 COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016;
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION
15 COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2015-
16 2016 FISCAL YEAR.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
23 Workers' Compensation Commission for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following
24 maximum number of regular employees.
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Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2015-2016
30	(1) U100U	WCC CHAIRMAN	1	\$130,557
31	(2) U007U	WCC COMMISSIONER	2	\$128,452
32	(3) U046U	WCC CHIEF EXEC OFFICER	1	\$127,839
33	(4) N070N	WCC ASST CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	1	GRADE N908
34	(5) G005N	WCC CHIEF ADMIN LAW JUDGE	1	GRADE N908
35	(6) G010N	WCC ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE	13	GRADE N906
36	(7) G004C	MANAGING ATTORNEY	1	GRADE C129



1	(8)	D007C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
2	(9)	G007C	WCC DIVISION MANAGER	7	GRADE C128
3	(10)	G047C	ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	6	GRADE C126
4	(11)	G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C124
5	(12)	G073C	ATTORNEY	9	GRADE C124
6	(13)	D030C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C124
7	(14)	A042C	INSURANCE SENIOR EXAMINER	1	GRADE C122
8	(15)	G093C	OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE C122
9	(16)	A052C	ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C121
10	(17)	D052C	SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C121
11	(18)	G107C	WCC PROGRAM MANAGER	4	GRADE C121
12	(19)	L038C	REGISTERED NURSE	1	GRADE C120
13	(20)	E023C	TRAINING PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE C120
14	(21)	D063C	COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C119
15	(22)	D062C	DATABASE ANALYST	1	GRADE C119
16	(23)	R024C	ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE C118
17	(24)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	2	GRADE C118
18	(25)	A074C	FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE C118
19	(26)	C009C	HEARING REPORTER	3	GRADE C118
20	(27)	G168C	INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANT	6	GRADE C118
21	(28)	G160C	WCC PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C118
22	(29)	D071C	COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
23	(30)	G179C	LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C117
24	(31)	X123C	INSURANCE INVESTIGATOR	3	GRADE C116
25	(32)	G193C	WCC PROGRAM SPECIALIST	7	GRADE C116
26	(33)	C036C	ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
27	(34)	C050C	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	4	GRADE C113
28	(35)	R036C	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C113
29	(36)	C046C	LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	15	GRADE C113
30	(37)	C043C	RECORDS MANAGEMENT ANALYST	2	GRADE C113
31	(38)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	26	GRADE C112
32	(39)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	5	GRADE C109
33	(40)	C083C	MAIL SERVICES COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C107
34	(41)	C087C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	<u>1</u>	GRADE C106
35			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	144	

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SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Workers' Compensation Commission for the 2015-2016 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: two (2) 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 - ADMINISTRATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Workers' Compensation Commission, to be payable from the Workers' Compensation Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Workers' Compensation Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR
	2015-2016
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$7,246,251
(02) EXTRA HELP	100,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,361,889
(04) OVERTIME	10,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,719,084
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	96,096
(C) PROF. FEES	268,464
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	40,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(06) REFUND/REIMBURSEMENTS - ADMIN	685,500
(07) INVESTMENTS	14,000,000
(08) COMPUTER SOFTWARE/HARDWARE	<u>243,800</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$26,771,084</u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REFUNDS/CLAIMS/INVESTMENTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Workers' Compensation Commission, to be payable from the Death and Permanent Total Disability Trust Fund, for refund of taxes, payment of death and total disability claims, and investment of funds in the Death and Permanent Total Disability Trust Fund as allowed by the Workers'

1 Compensation Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the
 2 following:

4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
6 (01) REFUND/REIMBURSEMENTS - DEATH AND	
7 TOTAL DISABILITY	\$750,000
8 (02) CLAIMS - DEATH AND TOTAL DISABILITY	21,000,000
9 (03) INVESTMENTS	<u>130,000,000</u>
10 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$151,750,000</u></u>

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 12 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - SECOND INJURY CLAIMS. There is hereby
 13 appropriated, to the Workers' Compensation Commission, to be payable from the
 14 Second Injury Trust Fund, for refund of taxes and payment of second injury
 15 claims by the Workers' Compensation Commission for the fiscal year ending
 16 June 30, 2016, the following:

18 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
20 (01) REFUND/REIMBURSEMENTS - SECOND INJURY	\$250,000
21 (02) CLAIMS - SECOND INJURY	<u>4,000,000</u>
22 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,250,000</u></u>

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 24 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - SEMINAR - CASH. There is hereby
 25 appropriated, to the Workers' Compensation Commission, to be payable from the
 26 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal
 27 Officer of the State, for scholarships and educational conference expenses of
 28 the Workers' Compensation Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 29 2016, the following:

31 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
33 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
34 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$85,000
35 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
36 (C) PROF. FEES	15,000

1	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
2	(E) DATA PROC.	0
3	(02) SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>40,000</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$140,000</u></u>

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6 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION BUILDING.

7 There is hereby appropriated, to the Workers' Compensation Commission, to be
 8 payable from the Workers' Compensation Fund, for maintenance, renovation,
 9 equipping, construction, improvement, upgrade and repair projects for the
 10 Workers' Compensation Commission Building for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 11 2016, the following:

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13	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
15	(01) BUILDING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	<u><u>\$105,450</u></u>

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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.

19 INVESTMENTS. All such funds as are held at any time in the Death and
 20 Permanent Total Disability Trust Fund, Second Injury Trust Fund, and the
 21 Workers' Compensation Fund shall be invested and reinvested to the extent
 22 feasible, all such investments as authorized for use by the Office of the
 23 Treasurer shall be available to the listed funds. The movement of these funds
 24 into and out of investments shall be by fund transfers as directed by the
 25 Chief Executive Officer of the Workers' Compensation Commission.

26 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,
 27 2015 through June 30, 2016.

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29 SECTION 9. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 30 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 31 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 32 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 33 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 34 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 35 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 36 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be

1 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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3 SECTION 10. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
4 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
5 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
6 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
7 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
8 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
9 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
10 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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12 SECTION 11. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
13 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
14 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
15 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2015 is essential to the operation of
16 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
17 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
18 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2015 could work irreparable harm
19 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
20 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
21 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
22 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2015.