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4

A Bill

SENATE BILL 67

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 DEPUTY PROSECUTING
10 ATTORNEYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016;
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE - DEPUTY
15 PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS APPROPRIATION FOR
16 THE 2015-2016 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 - DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS. There is
23 hereby established for the Auditor of State - Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys
24 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular
25 employees.
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Item No.	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2015-2016
31 (1)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY PART-TIME III	15	\$80,779
32 (2)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY PART-TIME II	8	\$66,931
33 (3)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY PART-TIME I	55	\$55,720
34 (4)	SENIOR DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY II	3	GRADE N908
35 (5)	SENIOR DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY I	6	GRADE N906
36 (6)	SPECIAL DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	2	GRADE N905



1	(7)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	37	GRADE C130
2	(8)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	32	GRADE C129
3	(9)	DEP PROS ATTY - ATTORNEY	<u>87</u>	GRADE C128
4		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	245	

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6 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS. There is
7 hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the State
8 Central Services Fund, for personal services and Special Deputy Expense
9 Allowance of the Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys for the fiscal year ending June
10 30, 2016, the following:

12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
14	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$15,567,141
15	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	4,743,634
16	(03) SPECIAL DEPUTY EXPENSE ALLOWANCE	<u>4,800</u>
17	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$20,315,575</u>

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19 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
20 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SPECIAL
21 RATES OF PAY. Due to the need for competent deputy prosecuting attorneys
22 throughout the state and the necessity of retaining qualified deputy
23 prosecuting attorneys, the elected prosecuting attorneys, through the
24 Prosecution Coordination Commission, are authorized to request special rates
25 of pay for current and new deputy prosecuting attorneys up to the levels
26 listed below for the following classifications:

27	TITLE	GRADE LEVEL
28	Dep. Pros. Atty-Attorney	C128 Career
29	Dep. Pros. Atty-Attorney Specialist	C129 Career
30	Dep. Pros. Atty-Attorney Supervisor	C130 Career

31 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~
32 2015 through June 30, ~~2015~~ 2016.

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34 SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
35 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
36 LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly, in the

1 transition to a state-funded deputy prosecuting attorney system, to provide
2 an appropriate and adequate level of legal representation through deputy
3 prosecuting attorneys in all areas of the state. It is recognized by the
4 General Assembly that in many areas of the state, resources have not been
5 available to support deputy prosecuting attorney salaries at the necessary
6 level. With the transition of local funding of deputy prosecuting attorney
7 salaries to state funding, it is not the intent of the General Assembly to
8 adversely affect those districts whose system has been working well or to
9 implement a system which is too inflexible to respond to the needs of each
10 judicial district. Therefore, the Prosecution Coordination Commission is
11 charged with the responsibility of assisting in the maintenance of a system
12 which equitably serves all areas of the state by providing quality deputy
13 prosecuting attorneys.

14 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,
15 2015 through June 30, 2016.

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

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

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36 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General

1 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
2 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
3 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2015 is essential to the operation of
4 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
5 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
6 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2015 could work irreparable harm
7 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
8 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
9 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
10 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2015.

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