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2 90th General Assembly  
3 Fiscal Session, 2016  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 81

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 ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE  
10 DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017;  
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE  
15 DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2016-  
16 2017 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 - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established  
23 for the Arkansas Agriculture Department for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the  
24 following maximum number of regular employees.  
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26				Maximum Annual
27				Salary Rate
28	Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
29	No.	Code	No. of	2016-2017
	No.	Code	Employees	
30	(1)	U048U	1	\$117,287
31	(2)	U072U	1	\$116,859
32	(3)	U057U	1	\$109,332
33	(4)	U023U	1	\$109,020
34	(5)	U003U	1	\$108,864
35	(6)	U044U	1	\$106,014
36	(7)	N045N	1	GRADE N909



1	(8)	N056N	AGRI COORDINATOR OF LABORATORY	1	GRADE N908
2	(9)	N058N	DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ARLPC	1	GRADE N908
3	(10)	B004N	STATE VETERINARIAN	1	GRADE N908
4	(11)	B006N	ARLPC BOARD CERTIFIED PATHOLOGIST	2	GRADE N907
5	(12)	G017C	PLANT BOARD ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N906
6	(13)	N095N	ARKANSAS BUREAU OF STANDARDS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N904
7	(14)	B010N	VETERINARY VIROLOGIST	2	GRADE N904
8	(15)	B020N	VETERINARY TOXICOLOGIST	1	GRADE N904
9	(16)	A010N	AGRICULTURE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE N903
10	(17)	B001C	DEPUTY STATE FORESTER	1	GRADE C130
11	(18)	B002C	AGRI DIRECTOR OF MARKETING	1	GRADE C129
12	(19)	B010C	AGRI DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE C127
13	(20)	B014C	ASST STATE FORESTER	2	GRADE C126
14	(21)	R006C	HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE C126
15	(22)	B022C	DISTRICT FORESTER	8	GRADE C124
16	(23)	B029C	AGRI PLANT BOARD DIVISION MGR	4	GRADE C123
17	(24)	B128C	METROLOGY LABORATORY MANAGER	1	GRADE C123
18	(25)	B037C	CHEMIST SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE C122
19	(26)	B034C	MICROBIOLOGIST SUPERVISOR	5	GRADE C122
20	(27)	A050C	AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
21	(28)	S005C	AVIATION MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
22	(29)	G109C	GRANTS MANAGER	2	GRADE C121
23	(30)	D052C	SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C121
24	(31)	B038C	STATE FOREST MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
25	(32)	X058C	AGRI COMMODITY AREA SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE C120
26	(33)	B049C	AGRI PROGRAM MANAGER	20	GRADE C120
27	(34)	D057C	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER	1	GRADE C120
28	(35)	P013C	PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C120
29	(36)	D056C	SYSTEMS COORDINATION ANALYST	1	GRADE C120
30	(37)	B062C	FOREST HEALTH SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C119
31	(38)	D061C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORD SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C119
32	(39)	B058C	STAFF FORESTER	3	GRADE C119
33	(40)	B072C	AGRI PROGRAM COORDINATOR	7	GRADE C118
34	(41)	R024C	ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	GRADE C118
35	(42)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	4	GRADE C118
36	(43)	A074C	FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118

1	(44)	A073C	PROGRAM/FIELD AUDITOR SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118
2	(45)	A082C	ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE C117
3	(46)	X109C	AFC INVESTIGATOR	3	GRADE C117
4	(47)	X111C	AREA LIVESTOCK INSPECTOR SUPV	5	GRADE C117
5	(48)	C015C	ARLPC ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C117
6	(49)	B081C	CHEMIST	15	GRADE C117
7	(50)	B080C	FORESTER	36	GRADE C117
8	(51)	B078C	METROLOGIST	2	GRADE C117
9	(52)	B077C	MICROBIOLOGIST	10	GRADE C117
10	(53)	X097C	PLANT BOARD AGRICULTURE SPECIALIST	34	GRADE C117
11	(54)	E040C	STAFF DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C117
12	(55)	X132C	AGRI COMMODITY COMPLIANCE INSPECTOR	4	GRADE C116
13	(56)	V014C	BUYER	4	GRADE C116
14	(57)	D076C	COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C116
15	(58)	B088C	COUNTY FOREST RANGER	61	GRADE C116
16	(59)	X118C	PLANT BOARD INSPECTOR SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C116
17	(60)	A084C	PROGRAM/FIELD AUDIT SPECIALIST	3	GRADE C116
18	(61)	P027C	PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C116
19	(62)	X114C	SR AGRI COMMODITY COMPLIANCE INSPECTOR	3	GRADE C116
20	(63)	E046C	TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	1	GRADE C116
21	(64)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
22	(65)	X149C	AGRI COMMODITY COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST	11	GRADE C115
23	(66)	X148C	AIRCRAFT PILOT	4	GRADE C115
24	(67)	X146C	ARLPC INSPECTOR/INVESTIGATOR	7	GRADE C115
25	(68)	S036C	AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE C115
26	(69)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
27	(70)	D078C	GIS TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE C115
28	(71)	R032C	HUMAN RESOURCES PROGRAM REP	1	GRADE C115
29	(72)	X162C	AGRI COMMODITY GRADER II	22	GRADE C114
30	(73)	S040C	CALIBRATION TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE C114
31	(74)	X157C	EIA INSPECTOR	3	GRADE C114
32	(75)	B098C	FOREST RANGER II	118	GRADE C114
33	(76)	B097C	NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM SPECIALIST	3	GRADE C114
34	(77)	B096C	SENIOR SEED ANALYST	5	GRADE C114
35	(78)	D081C	TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST	8	GRADE C114
36	(79)	X165C	LIVESTOCK INSPECTOR	28	GRADE C113

1	(80)	B101C	NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM TECHNICIAN	3	GRADE C113
2	(81)	X164C	PLANT BOARD INSPECTOR	24	GRADE C113
3	(82)	C057C	ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C112
4	(83)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	12	GRADE C112
5	(84)	S053C	AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC	5	GRADE C112
6	(85)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C112
7	(86)	C054C	LOCAL OFFICE ADMIN SPECIALIST	10	GRADE C112
8	(87)	B104C	SEED ANALYST	3	GRADE C112
9	(88)	B111C	LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE C110
10	(89)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	19	GRADE C109
11	(90)	C070C	DUPLICATION ASSISTANT	1	GRADE C109
12	(91)	C087C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	<u>1</u>	GRADE C106
13			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	588	

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15 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas  
 16 Agriculture Department for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the following maximum  
 17 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",  
 18 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one hundred  
 19 seventy-one (171) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of  
 20 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and  
 21 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate  
 22 classification.

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24 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 25 to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Department of  
 26 Agriculture Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 27 Arkansas Agriculture Department - Operations for the fiscal year ending June  
 28 30, 2017, the following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
32	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$10,474,006
33	(02) EXTRA HELP	74,131
34	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,709,898
35	(04) OVERTIME	16,571
36	(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	5,200

1	(06) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,878,252
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	56,113
4	(C) PROF. FEES	328,500
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
6	(E) DATA PROC.	0
7	(07) PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	6,148
8	(08) BOLL WEEVIL PROGRAM	30,000
9	(09) BUFFALO GNAT CONTROL PROGRAM	<u>8,000</u>
10	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$17,586,819</u></u>

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12 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - OPERATIONS. There  
 13 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable  
 14 from the Livestock and Poultry Fund Account, for operating expenses of the  
 15 Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission -  
 16 Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
20	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
21	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$77,131
22	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
23	(C) PROF. FEES	0
24	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
25	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
26	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$77,131</u></u>

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28 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - ANIMAL DISEASE  
 29 CONTROL AND ERADICATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
 30 Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry  
 31 Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund, for personal services and operating  
 32 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry  
 33 Commission - Animal Disease Control and Eradication Program for the fiscal  
 34 year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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36	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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1	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
2	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$589,634
3	(02) EXTRA HELP	55,000
4	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	218,671
5	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	255,592
7	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
8	(C) PROF. FEES	0
9	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	20,000
10	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
11	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,138,897</u></u>

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13 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - EGG GRADING PROGRAM.

14 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 15 payable from the Poultry and Egg Grading Fund, for personal services and  
 16 operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and  
 17 Poultry Commission - Egg Grading Program for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
 18 2017, the following:

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20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
22	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,623,591
23	(02) EXTRA HELP	67,500
24	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	685,464
25	(04) OVERTIME	300,000
26	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
27	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	230,902
28	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	18,350
29	(C) PROF. FEES	0
30	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000
31	(E) DATA PROC.	0
32	(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	887,968
33	(07) EGG PROMOTION EXPENSE	<u>64,500</u>
34	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,928,275</u></u>

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36 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SWAMP FEVER TESTING

1 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 2 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue  
 3 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 4 Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Swamp Fever  
 5 Testing Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

7 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
8 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
9 (01) EXTRA HELP	\$14,500
10 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,199
11 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
12 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	250,000
13 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
14 (C) PROF. FEES	0
15 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	60,000
16 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
17 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$325,699</u></u>

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19 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SMALL ANIMAL TESTING  
 20 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 21 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue  
 22 Fund, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -  
 23 Livestock and Poultry Commission - Small Animal Testing Program for the  
 24 fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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26 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
28 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
29 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$300,000
30 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
31 (C) PROF. FEES	0
32 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000
33 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
34 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$350,000</u></u>

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36 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - LARGE ANIMALS &

1 POULTRY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 2 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue  
 3 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 4 Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Large Animals and  
 5 Poultry for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

7 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
8 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
9 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$121,087
10 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	41,782
11 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
12 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,058,077
13 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000
14 (C) PROF. FEES	0
15 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	200,000
16 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
17 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,445,946</u></u>

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19 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - BRAND REGISTRY.

20 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 21 payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue Fund, for maintenance  
 22 of the Brand Registry Book by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock  
 23 and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the  
 24 following:

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26 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
28 (01) BRAND REGISTRY	<u><u>\$6,000</u></u>

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30 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - INDEMNITIES -

31 REVOLVING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 32 Department, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, for payment  
 33 of authorized indemnities by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock  
 34 and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the  
 35 following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) INDEMNITIES	<u>\$45,000</u>

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - POULTRY INDEMNITIES - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Agriculture Department, for payment of poultry indemnities by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) POULTRY INDEMNITIES	<u>\$10,000</u>

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SWINE TESTING PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Commission Swine Testing Fund, for the purpose of funding the Pseudorabies Control and Eradication Program of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) SWINE TESTING PROGRAM	<u>\$1,500</u>

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SHOW PREMIUMS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for show premiums, refunds, and reimbursements of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) ARSHS RODEO ASSOCIATION	\$20,000

1	(02) COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	360,000
2	(03) DISTRICT JR LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	28,430
3	(04) DISTRICT LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	144,000
4	(05) FOUR STATES LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	24,000
5	(06) STATE LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	120,000
6	(07) REFUNDS/REIMBURSE 4H CLUBS	20,000
7	(08) REFUNDS/REIMBURSE FFA CLUBS	20,000
8	(09) REFUNDS/REIMBURSE MISS AR RODEO	<u>350</u>
9	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$736,780</u></u>

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11 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - EQUINE INFECTIOUS  
 12 ANEMIA. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 13 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Equine Infectious  
 14 Anemia Control Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 15 Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Equine  
 16 Infectious Anemia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
20	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$101,247
21	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	43,476
22	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	200,000
24	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
25	(C) PROF. FEES	0
26	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
27	(E) DATA PROC.	0
28	(04) EDUCATIONAL GRANTS	<u>30,000</u>
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$474,723</u></u>

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31 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - ANIMAL HEALTH.  
 32 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 33 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of  
 34 the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 35 Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Animal Health for  
 36 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
4	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$296,655
5	(02) EXTRA HELP	8,311
6	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	105,966
7	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	118,111
9	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,350
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$534,393</u></u>

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14 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS AND AID. There is hereby  
 15 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the  
 16 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
 17 personal services, operating expenses and assistance to eligible agricultural  
 18 producers by the Arkansas Agriculture Department for the fiscal year ending  
 19 June 30, 2017, the following:

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21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
23	(01) AQUACULTURE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	<u><u>\$56,000</u></u>

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25 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - ADMINISTRATION/PEST CONTROL.  
 26 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 27 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating  
 28 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board -  
 29 Administration/Pest Control for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the  
 30 following:

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32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
34	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,676,674
35	(02) EXTRA HELP	183,616
36	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,317,598

1	(04) OVERTIME	9,000
2	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
3	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,331,613
4	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	83,613
5	(C) PROF. FEES	244,510
6	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	435,000
7	(E) DATA PROC.	0
8	(06) CONSTRUCTION	1,000,000
9	(07) PEST ERADICATION	<u>1,000,000</u>
10	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$9,281,624</u></u>

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12 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PUBLIC GRAIN WAREHOUSE  
 13 INSPECTION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas  
 14 Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for personal  
 15 services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -  
 16 State Plant Board - Public Grain Warehouse Inspection Program for the fiscal  
 17 year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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19	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
20	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
21	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$148,899
22	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	54,452
23	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	67,935
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,613
26	(C) PROF. FEES	1,200
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
28	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$277,099</u></u>

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31 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PESTICIDE SURVEILLANCE.  
 32 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 33 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating  
 34 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board -  
 35 Pesticide Surveillance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the  
 36 following:

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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
4	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$157,885
5	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	56,521
6	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	52,066
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
9	(C) PROF. FEES	0
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$272,472</u></u>

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14       SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - APIARY. There is hereby

15 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the

16 Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the

17 Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board - Apiary for the fiscal

18 year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
22	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$111,541
23	(02) EXTRA HELP	7,500
24	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	41,428
25	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
26	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	51,085
27	(C) PROF. FEES	0
28	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
29	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$211,554</u></u>

31

32       SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PRODUCT MARKETING PROGRAM.

33 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be

34 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of

35 the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -

36 State Plant Board - Product Marketing Program for the fiscal year ending June

1 30, 2017, the following:

2

3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
5 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$147,000
7 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
8 (C) PROF. FEES	150,000
9 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
10 (E) DATA PROC.	0
11 (02) PRODUCT MARKETING GRANTS & AID	200,000
12 (03) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>97,059</u>
13 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$600,059</u></u>

14

15 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - REFUNDS/TRANSFERS. There is  
 16 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable  
 17 from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas  
 18 Agriculture Department, for operating expenses, refunds and transfers to the  
 19 State Treasury by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board for  
 20 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

21

22 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
24 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
25 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$500
26 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
27 (C) PROF. FEES	0
28 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
29 (E) DATA PROC.	0
30 (02) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>6,765,100</u>
31 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,765,600</u></u>

32

33 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PESTICIDE/PLANT REGULATORY  
 34 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 35 Department, to be payable from the Abandoned Agricultural Pesticide and Plant  
 36 Regulator Disposal Trust Fund, for operating expenses of the Arkansas

1 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board - Pesticide/Plant Regulatory  
 2 Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

3

4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
6 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,500,000
8 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
9 (C) PROF. FEES	0
10 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
12 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,500,000</u></u>

13

14 SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - U OF A AGRICULTURE  
 15 SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 16 Department, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for  
 17 internships and scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas  
 18 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June  
 19 30, 2017, the following:

20

21 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
23 (01) GRANT TO THE UNIV OF ARK-DIV. OF 24 AGRICULTURE FOR INTERNSHIPS & 25 SCHOLARSHIPS	<u><u>\$5,000</u></u>

26

27 SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - ASU AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIPS.  
 28 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 29 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for internships and  
 30 scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas Agriculture  
 31 Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the  
 32 following:

33

34 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
36 (01) GRANT TO THE ARK ST UNIV COLLEGE OF	

1 AGRICULTURE FOR INTERNSHIPS &  
 2 SCHOLARSHIPS \$5,000

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 4 SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - AR TECH AGRICULTURE  
 5 SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 6 Department, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for  
 7 internships and scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas  
 8 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June  
 9 30, 2017, the following:

11 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
13 (01) GRANT TO THE ARK TECH UNIV 14 AGRICULTURE DEPT FOR 15 INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>\$5,000</u>

16  
 17 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - SAU AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIPS.  
 18 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 19 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for internships and  
 20 scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas Agriculture  
 21 Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the  
 22 following:

24 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
26 (01) GRANT TO THE SAU AGRICULTURE DEPT FOR 27 INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>\$5,000</u>

28  
 29 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 30 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the  
 31 State Forestry Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 32 Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Operations for  
 33 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

35 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
36 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>



1	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$5,584,764
2	(02) EXTRA HELP	85,855
3	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,076,461
4	(04) OVERTIME	52,400
5	(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	55,000
6	(06) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	4,245,681
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
9	(C) PROF. FEES	325,000
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	743,000
11	(E) DATA PROC.	0
12	(07) FORESTRY GRANTS AND AID - FIREBOAT SCHOOL	15,000
13	(08) FEDERAL INITIATIVE PROGRAM	<u>138,512</u>
14	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$13,321,673</u></u>

15

16 SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - RURAL COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION

17 - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture  
 18 Department, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief  
 19 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and  
 20 federal matching grants to purchase firefighting equipment by the Arkansas  
 21 Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Rural Community Fire  
 22 Protection for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

23

24	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
26	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$81,565
27	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	28,864
28	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
29	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	366,566
30	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
31	(C) PROF. FEES	30,000
32	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	330,000
33	(E) DATA PROC.	0
34	(04) RURAL COMMUNITY MATCH GRANTS	<u>364,710</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,201,705</u></u>

36

SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - URBAN FORESTRY SERVICES - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the State Forestry Fund, for personal services, operating expenses and urban forestry matching grants of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Urban Forestry Services - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$68,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	5,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) URBAN FORESTRY MATCHING GRANTS	<u>127,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$200,000</u></u>

SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - RURAL FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE LOANS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Rural Fire Protection Revolving Fund, for loans to communities for fire protection by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Rural Fire Protection Service Loans for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) RURAL FIRE PROTECTION LOANS	<u><u>\$1,200,000</u></u>

SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - STATE FORESTRY TRUST PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the State Forestry Trust Fund, for management and operating expenses, fire control, communications, contracting for assistance, and other services of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - State Forestry Trust Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
4	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
5	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$200,000
6	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
7	(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
8	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
9	(E) DATA PROC.	0
10	(02) FIRE CONTROL/COMMUNICATE	900,000
11	(03) MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONS	<u>300,000</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,500,000</u></u>

13

14 SECTION 34. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE PREVENTION.

15 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 16 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of  
 17 the State, for operating expenses and grants by the Arkansas Agriculture  
 18 Department - State Forestry Commission - Southern Pine Beetle Prevention for  
 19 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

20

21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
23	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$100,000
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
26	(C) PROF. FEES	0
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
28	(E) DATA PROC.	0
29	(02) SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE GRANTS AND AID	<u>650,000</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$750,000</u></u>

31

32 SECTION 35. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - FOREST LEGACY. There is hereby  
 33 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the  
 34 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
 35 operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry  
 36 Commission - Forest Legacy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the

1 following:

2

3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
5 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$6,599
7 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
8 (C) PROF. FEES	0
9 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
10 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
11 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,599</u></u>

12

13 SECTION 36. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - SILVICULTURAL NON-POINT PROGRAM.

14 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be  
 15 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of  
 16 the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -  
 17 State Forestry Commission - Silvicultural Non-Point Program for the fiscal  
 18 year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

19

20 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
22 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$21,800
24 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
25 (C) PROF. FEES	0
26 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
27 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
28 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$21,800</u></u>

29

30 SECTION 37. APPROPRIATION - AGRICULTURE CASH OPERATING FUND. There is  
 31 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable  
 32 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief  
 33 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 34 Agriculture Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the  
 35 following:

36

1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
3	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$50,000
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
6	(C) PROF. FEES	0
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(02) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>10,000</u>
10	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$60,000</u></u>

11

12           SECTION 38. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 13 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. BUFFALO  
 14 GNAT CONTROL PROGRAM. The Appropriation authorized for the Buffalo Gnat  
 15 Control Program in Item (09) of Section 3 of this Act, shall be expended only  
 16 for the control of buffalo gnats where needed as determined by the Department  
 17 of Agriculture.

18           The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
 19 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

20

21           SECTION 39. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXPENSE  
 23 REIMBURSEMENT. Funds appropriated in Item (07), (08) and (09) of Section 14  
 24 of this act shall be used to pay expenses necessary for members of high  
 25 school 4H clubs, high school FFA clubs and Miss Arkansas Rodeo for expenses  
 26 incurred while representing the State of Arkansas at national conferences and  
 27 events outside the State. The State 4H Association and the State FFA  
 28 Association shall receive funds appropriated for expense reimbursement of  
 29 student members but shall be limited to \$20,000 each, or so much thereof that  
 30 is available. Reimbursement of expenses for Miss Arkansas Rodeo shall be  
 31 limited to \$350 per year.

32           The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
 33 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

34

35           SECTION 40. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 36 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND

1 TRANSFER. The Executive Director of the Livestock and Poultry Commission,  
2 with prior approval of the Arkansas Legislative Council or the Joint Budget  
3 Committee, the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and for the  
4 reimbursing of documented expenditures designated by law to be made from the  
5 transferred special revenue, may transfer funds among the Livestock and  
6 Poultry Equine Infectious Anemia Control Fund, Livestock and Poultry  
7 Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund, Livestock and Poultry Special  
8 Revenue Fund, Livestock and Poultry Commission Swine Testing Fund, and the  
9 Poultry and Egg Grading Fund or from these funds to the Livestock and Poultry  
10 Fund Account. The purpose of these transfers shall only be for accurate  
11 allocation of incurred costs between the funds. Requests for fund transfer  
12 will at least include the total amount to be transferred, to and from which  
13 funds, the nature, purpose, and time period of the expenditures being  
14 reimbursed, and any other information requested by the Legislative Council or  
15 the Joint Budget Committee.

16 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of  
17 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year  
18 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by  
19 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and  
20 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by  
21 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly  
22 has determined that the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and  
23 Poultry Commission may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is  
24 provided to the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry  
25 Commission authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is  
26 both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight  
27 by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget  
28 Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the  
29 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this  
30 section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint  
31 Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent  
32 jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

33 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
34 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

35

36 SECTION 41. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

1 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
2 PROVISION - PEST ERADICATION. If the State Plant Board determines that the  
3 demands of pest eradication efforts require additional personnel expenses,  
4 with the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and approval by  
5 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, appropriations may be  
6 transferred from the Pest Eradication Program special line item to the line  
7 items for Regular Salaries, Extra Help, Overtime, and Personal Services  
8 Matching.

9 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of  
10 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year  
11 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by  
12 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and  
13 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by  
14 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly  
15 has determined that the State Plant Board may operate more efficiently if  
16 some flexibility is provided to the State Plant Board authorizing broad  
17 powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate  
18 that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of  
19 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this  
20 section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint  
21 Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement  
22 of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled  
23 unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is  
24 void.

25 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
26 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

27  
28 SECTION 42. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
29 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXTRA  
30 HELP PROVISION. No employee of the Arkansas Forestry Commission who is  
31 employed as "Extra Help" may receive an amount to exceed 3/4 of the maximum  
32 annual salary for a comparable position as authorized by Arkansas Code 21-5-  
33 201 et seq. during any fiscal year, nor may such employee be employed for a  
34 period of time to exceed nine (9) months in any single fiscal year.  
35 Provided, however, that no employee of the Arkansas Forestry Commission who  
36 is employed as "Extra Help" may receive an amount to exceed seventy five

1 percent (75%) of the maximum annual salary for a comparable position as  
2 authorized by Arkansas Code 21-5-201 et seq. during any fiscal year, nor  
3 shall such employee be employed for a period of time to exceed fourteen  
4 hundred (1400) hours in any single fiscal year.

5 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
6 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

7  
8 SECTION 43. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
10 PROVISION. If the State Forestry Commission determines that temporary  
11 firefighters, dispatchers, or pilots are required to meet the demands of a  
12 wildfire season, and upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,  
13 appropriations may be transferred from either Extra Help or Professional Fees  
14 and Services to the proper character code for the employment of such  
15 personnel.

16 If the State Forestry Commission determines that the deployment of air  
17 tankers for fighting wildfires requires additional Professional Fees and  
18 Services, and upon the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,  
19 excess appropriation in Regular Salaries or Personal Services Matching may be  
20 transferred to Professional Fees and Services in Section 3 and 30.

21 If the State Forestry Commission determines that the most effective way for  
22 it to cooperate in the growing and distribution of forest planting stock is  
23 by contracting work with private vendors and/or hiring temporary employees  
24 for seasonal work, the Commission is hereby authorized, upon approval by the  
25 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, to transfer the necessary appropriation  
26 authorized for Extra Help and Maintenance and General Operation in Section 3  
27 and 30.

28 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
29 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

30  
31 SECTION 44. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REFUND TO  
33 EXPENDITURE. The Arkansas Forestry Commission is authorized to charge fees  
34 to federal agencies and other states to reimburse the Commission for  
35 expenditures made on behalf of these governmental units. These fees shall be  
36 deposited into the State Forestry Fund in the State Treasury as a refund to



1 expenditure.

2 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
3 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

4  
5 SECTION 45. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

7 ALLOCATION RESTRICTIONS. The Secretary of the Arkansas Department of  
8 Agriculture shall at no time designate general revenue allocations to the  
9 State Plant Board, the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission and the  
10 Arkansas Forestry Commission at a level less than the revenue distribution  
11 provided in the Official Forecast of state general revenue in effect for each  
12 of those agencies.

13 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
14 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

15  
16 SECTION 46. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
17 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REPORTING

18 REQUIREMENTS. The Arkansas Forestry Commission shall present the following  
19 data each month to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Arkansas  
20 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. This report shall be due by  
21 the 10th day of the month following the reporting period. The first reporting  
22 period shall be July 2012.

23 a) All fund transfers completed by the Arkansas Forestry Commission from  
24 any funding source including federal funds, and shall include a justification  
25 for the completion of the fund transfers.

26 b) All expenditures incurred by the Arkansas Forestry Commission from  
27 any funding source including federal funds, and shall include a justification  
28 for the expenditure of the funds.

29 c) All revenue receipts of the Arkansas Forestry Commission including  
30 but not limited to federal funds, general revenue, severance tax, acreage  
31 tax, timber sales and seedlings sales.

32 d) All Arkansas Forestry Commission activities including but not limited  
33 to, firefighting activities, fire prevention, and emergency response as it  
34 relates to the Commission's statutory mission provided in Arkansas Code 15-  
35 31-101.

36 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~

1 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

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3 SECTION 47. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
5 PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall establish  
6 upon request for the Arkansas Agriculture Department a special Promotional  
7 Items appropriation to be used in the acquisition of promotional items.  
8 When the Arkansas Agriculture Department wishes to transfer from its  
9 operating expenses to the promotional items line, the request shall be  
10 forwarded by the Arkansas Agriculture Department to the Chief Fiscal Officer  
11 of the State for processing and for prior approval by the Arkansas  
12 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. Determining the maximum  
13 number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general  
14 revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the  
15 General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums  
16 in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue  
17 allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the  
18 Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that  
19 the Arkansas Agriculture Department may operate more efficiently if some  
20 flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Agriculture Department authorizing  
21 broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and  
22 appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior  
23 approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by  
24 this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or  
25 Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the  
26 requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee  
27 is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire  
28 section is void.

29 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~  
30 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

31  
32 SECTION 48. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
33 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
34 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
35 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
36 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary

1 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
2 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
3 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
4 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

5  
6 SECTION 49. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
7 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
8 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
9 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
10 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
11 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
12 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
13 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

14  
15 SECTION 50. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
16 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
17 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
18 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2016 is essential to the operation of  
19 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
20 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
21 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2016 could work irreparable harm  
22 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
23 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
24 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
25 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2016.