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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1210

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 OIL AND GAS COMMISSION  
10 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018; AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION  
15 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2017-2018 FISCAL  
16 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 Oil  
23 and Gas Commission for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the following maximum  
24 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	2017-2018
	No.	Code	Employees	
30	(1)	U045U	OIL & GAS DIRECTOR	1 \$114,517
31	(2)	U056U	OIL & GAS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1 \$104,685
32	(3)	B008N	SENIOR PETROLEUM ENGINEER	2 GRADE N905
33	(4)	B014N	SENIOR PETROLEUM GEOLOGIST	3 GRADE N901
34	(5)	G024C	DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE	1 GRADE C127
35	(6)	D015C	STATE NETWORK ENGINEER	1 GRADE C126
36	(7)	X013C	ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MANAGER	1 GRADE C125



1	(8)	G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C124
2	(9)	D040C	GIS ANALYST	1	GRADE C123
3	(10)	B042C	ENGINEER	1	GRADE C121
4	(11)	D052C	SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C121
5	(12)	B050C	OIL & GAS DISTRICT PETROLEUM SUPERVI	2	GRADE C120
6	(13)	V007C	PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C119
7	(14)	X082C	OIL & GAS INSPECTOR	12	GRADE C118
8	(15)	D071C	COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
9	(16)	X098C	OIL & GAS TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE C117
10	(17)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	GRADE C115
11	(18)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	3	GRADE C112
12	(19)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C112
13	(20)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	3	GRADE C109
14	(21)	C087C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	<u>2</u>	GRADE C106
15			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	44	

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17 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Oil and Gas  
 18 Commission for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the following maximum number of  
 19 part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from  
 20 funds appropriated herein for such purposes: ten (10) temporary or part-time  
 21 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 22 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 23 for the appropriate classification.

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25 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 26 to the Oil and Gas Commission, to be payable from the Oil and Gas Commission  
 27 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Oil and Gas  
 28 Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
32	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,096,477
33	(02) EXTRA HELP	100,000
34	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	704,074
35	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	987,797

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	40,000
2	(C) PROF. FEES	52,000
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
4	(E) DATA PROC.	0
5	(05) POLLUTION CONTROL	350,000
6	(06) CONSTRUCTION	100,000
7	(07) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	100,000
8	(08) DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	348,217
9	(09) INTERSTATE OIL COMPACT	35,000
10	(10) GEOLOGICAL RESEARCH	110,000
11	(11) UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL	100,000
12	(12) GROUNDWATER PROTECTION	<u>8,500</u>
13	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$5,132,065</u></u>

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15 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REFUNDS AND REIMBURSEMENTS. There is hereby  
 16 appropriated, to the Oil and Gas Commission, to be payable from cash funds as  
 17 defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Oil and Gas Commission, for refunds  
 18 and reimbursements of the Oil and Gas Commission - Refunds and Reimbursements  
 19 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
23	(01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u><u>\$200,000</u></u>

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25 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - WELL PLUGGING PROGRAM. There is hereby  
 26 appropriated, to the Oil and Gas Commission, to be payable from the Abandoned  
 27 and Orphaned Well Plugging Fund, for well plugging program expenses of the  
 28 Oil and Gas Commission - Well Plugging Program for the fiscal year ending  
 29 June 30, 2018, the following:

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31	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
33	(01) WELL PLUGGING PROGRAM EXPENSES	<u><u>\$2,500,000</u></u>

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35 SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 36 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND

1 TRANSFER. The Oil and Gas Commission, after receiving review from the Chief  
2 Fiscal Officer of the State and the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint  
3 Budget Committee, may request the Chief Fiscal Officer to transfer up to  
4 \$2,000,000 per year on his or her books and the books of the State Treasurer  
5 and the Auditor of the State from the Oil and Gas Commission Fund to the  
6 Abandoned and Orphaned Well Plugging Fund.

7 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~  
8 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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10 SECTION 7. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
11 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
12 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
13 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
14 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
15 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
16 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
17 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
18 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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29 SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
30 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
31 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
32 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2017 is essential to the operation of  
33 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
34 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
35 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2017 could work irreparable harm  
36 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental

1 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
2 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
3 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2017.

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