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A Bill

SENATE BILL 151

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 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
10 OF THE COURTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
11 2018; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF
15 THE COURTS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2017-
16 2018 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 Administrative Office of the Courts - Operations for the 2017-2018
24 fiscal year, the 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	2017-2018
	No.	Code	Employees	
30	(1)	Q004N	AOC DIRECTOR	1 GRADE N914
31	(2)	Q008N	AOC DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1 GRADE N912
32	(3)	Q009C	AOC MANAGING ATTORNEY	2 GRADE C129
33	(4)	Q018C	AOC CASE MANAGEMENT BUSINESS MANAGER	1 GRADE C128
34	(5)	Q219C	AOC DATA QUALITY MANAGER	1 GRADE C128
35	(6)	Q014C	AOC DRUG COURT COORDINATOR	1 GRADE C128
36	(7)	Q019C	AOC SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	3 GRADE C128



1	(8)	Q050C	AOC COORDINATOR OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE	1	GRADE C124
2	(9)	Q048C	AOC PROGRAMMER	2	GRADE C124
3	(10)	Q058C	AOC JUDICIAL EDUCATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C123
4	(11)	Q057C	AOC PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER	1	GRADE C123
5	(12)	Q069C	AOC CASA COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C122
6	(13)	Q071C	AOC FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE C122
7	(14)	Q070C	AOC REGIONAL FUNCTIONAL SPECIALIST	6	GRADE C122
8	(15)	Q104C	AOC PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	GRADE C121
9	(16)	Q082C	AOC INTERPRETER SC:L	1	GRADE C120
10	(17)	Q081C	AOC SPANISH INTERPRETER	3	GRADE C120
11	(18)	Q088C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C119
12	(19)	Q089C	AOC OFFICE MANAGER	1	GRADE C119
13	(20)	Q102C	AOC JUDICIAL EDUCATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C118
14	(21)	Q105C	AOC RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE C118
15	(22)	Q114C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	2	GRADE C117
16	(23)	Q113C	AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	<u>5</u>	GRADE C117
17			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	40	

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

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28 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 29 to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the State
 30 Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 31 Administrative Office of the Courts - Operations for the fiscal year ending
 32 June 30, 2018, the following:

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34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
36	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,529,065

1	(02)	EXTRA HELP	5,000
2	(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	801,536
3	(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	334,265
5	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	35,000
6	(C)	PROF. FEES	45,000
7	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	164,500
8	(E)	DATA PROC.	0
9	(05)	FEDERAL GRANTS MATCHING	20,000
10	(06)	JUDICIAL EDUCATION	260,000
11	(07)	COURT INTERPRETER FEES	<u>439,350</u>
12		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,633,716</u></u>

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14 SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION. There is
 15 hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Dispute
 16 Resolution Commission for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the following maximum
 17 number of regular employees.

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19				Maximum Annual
20				Salary Rate
21	Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
22	No.	Code	No. of	2017-2018
	Title		Employees	
23	(1)	Q020C	AOC ADR PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1 GRADE C128
24	(2)	Q132C	AOC ADR TRAINING COORDINATOR	1 GRADE C118
25	(3)	Q113C	AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	<u>1</u> GRADE C117
26			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	3

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28 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION - STATE.
 29 There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to
 30 be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services,
 31 operating expenses and grants of the Administrative Office of the Courts -
 32 Dispute Resolution Commission - State for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 33 2018, the following:

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35	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
36	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>

1	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$134,528
2	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	45,671
3	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	35,514
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,000
6	(C) PROF. FEES	31,604
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(04) ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION GRANTS	<u>25,000</u>
10	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$287,317</u></u>

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12 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMISSION -
 13 CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the
 14 Courts, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as
 15 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses,
 16 fees and services of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Alternative
 17 Dispute Resolution Commission - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 18 2018, the following:

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20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
22	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$125,000
24	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
25	(C) PROF. FEES	120,000
26	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
27	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
28	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$275,000</u></u>

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30 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - HEARING & VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS - STATE. There
 31 is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be
 32 payable from the State Central Services Fund, for operating expenses for
 33 reasonable accommodations for persons with hearing and visual impairments to
 34 act as a venire person or juror for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the
 35 following:

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1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
3	(01) AUXILIARY AIDS-HEARING & VISUAL	
4	IMPAIRMENTS	<u>\$10,000</u>

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6 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - DISTRICT JUDGES CONTINUING EDUCATION -

7 STATE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the

8 Courts, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for operating

9 expenses for a continuing education program for District Judges for the

10 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
14	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$60,000
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
17	(C) PROF. FEES	10,000
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
20	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$80,000</u>

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22 SECTION 9. REGULAR SALARIES - DIVISION OF DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT

23 REPRESENTATION. There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of

24 the Courts - Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation for the 2017-2018

25 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

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27				Maximum Annual
28			Maximum	Salary Rate
29	Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
30	<u>No.</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
31	(1)	Q019C	AOC SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	2 GRADE C128
32	(2)	Q029C	AOC AD LITEM ATTORNEY	34 GRADE C127
33	(3)	Q191C	AOC DATA ANALYST	1 GRADE C120
34	(4)	Q113C	AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	<u>1</u> GRADE C117
35			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	38

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SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT REPRESENTATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be transferred from the State Administration of Justice Fund, and to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,525,688
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	765,104
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	466,514
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
(C) PROF. FEES	1,405,816
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) LOCAL CASA PROGRAM GRANTS	1,750,000
(05) ATTORNEY AD LITEM FEES/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>356,750</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,279,872</u></u>

SECTION 11. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT AUTOMATION. There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Automation for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2017-2018
(1)	Q012N	AOC CIS DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N911
(2)	N187N	CIS DIVISION ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N910
(3)	Q015N	AOC SOFTWARE MANAGER	1	GRADE N909
(4)	Q062N	AOC HARDWARE MANAGER	1	GRADE N907
(5)	Q005C	AOC DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE C130

1	(6)	Q017C	AOC CONTEXTE PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
2	(7)	Q016C	AOC PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE C128
3	(8)	Q028C	AOC HELP DESK MANAGER	1	GRADE C127
4	(9)	Q140C	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER LEAD	1	GRADE C127
5	(10)	Q135C	AOC BUSINESS ANALYST	3	GRADE C124
6	(11)	Q136C	AOC INFORMATION SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE C124
7	(12)	Q139C	AOC IT SECURITY ANALYST	1	GRADE C124
8	(13)	Q048C	AOC PROGRAMMER	1	GRADE C124
9	(14)	Q138C	AOC QUALITY ASSURANCE LEAD	1	GRADE C124
10	(15)	Q142C	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER	3	GRADE C124
11	(16)	Q049C	AOC TECHNICAL ANALYST	3	GRADE C124
12	(17)	Q068C	AOC FUNCTIONAL SPECIALIST	6	GRADE C122
13	(18)	Q190C	AOC PROJECT MANAGER	3	GRADE C122
14	(19)	Q137C	AOC QUALITY ASSURANCE COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C122
15	(20)	Q134C	AOC TRAINER	2	GRADE C122
16	(21)	Q191C	AOC DATA ANALYST	1	GRADE C120
17	(22)	Q189C	AOC PROJECT ANALYST	2	GRADE C120
18	(23)	Q143C	AOC TRAINING PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE C120
19	(24)	Q101C	AOC WEBSITE DEVELOPER	1	GRADE C118
20	(25)	Q113C	AOC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	<u>1</u>	GRADE C117
21			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	42	

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23 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - COURT AUTOMATION. There is hereby
 24 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 25 the Judicial Fine Collection Enhancement Fund, for personal services,
 26 operating expenses and other costs associated with the state court automation
 27 system by the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Automation for the
 28 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	\$2,439,372
33	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	770,702
34	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,000,000
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000

1	(C) PROF. FEES	50,000
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,000,000
3	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,285,074</u></u>

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6 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - COURT AUTOMATION - CASH. There is hereby
7 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
8 the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
9 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses and other costs
10 associated with the state court automation system by the Administrative
11 Office of the Courts - Court Automation - Cash for the fiscal year ending
12 June 30, 2018, the following:

14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
16	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
17	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$150,000
18	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
19	(C) PROF. FEES	0
20	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
21	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
22	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$150,000</u></u>

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24 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - DISTRICT JUDGES & CLERKS CONTINUING
25 EDUCATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the
26 Courts, to be payable from the District Court Judge and District Court Clerk
27 Education Fund, for operating expenses for the purpose of providing
28 continuing education to District Court Judges and District Court Clerks by
29 the Administrative Office of the Courts - District Court Judges & Clerks
30 Continuing Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
34	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$100,000
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000

1	(C) PROF. FEES	10,000
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$120,000</u></u>

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6 SECTION 15. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - FEDERAL.

7 There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts -

8 Court Improvement - Federal for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the following

9 maximum number of regular employees.

11				Maximum Annual
12				Salary Rate
13	Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
14	<u>No.</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>No. of</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
	<u>Title</u>		<u>Employees</u>	
15	(1)	Q047C	1	GRADE C124
16	(2)	Q056C	<u>1</u>	GRADE C123
17		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

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19 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - FEDERAL. There

20 is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be

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

22 the State, for personal services, operating expenses and grants of the

23 Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Improvement - Federal for the

24 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
28	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$122,614
29	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	37,926
30	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	350,000
32	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
33	(C) PROF. FEES	250,000
34	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	150,000
35	(E) DATA PROC.	0
36	(04) COURT TECHNOLOGY GRANTS	<u>200,000</u>

1 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED \$1,140,540

3 SECTION 17. REGULAR SALARIES - ACCESS & VISITATION MEDIATION - FEDERAL.

4 There is hereby established for the Administrative Office of the Courts -
 5 Access & Visitation Mediation - Federal for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the
 6 following maximum number of regular employees.

8				Maximum Annual
9				Salary Rate
10	Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
11	No.	Code	No. of	2017-2018
	Title			Employees
12	(1)	Q121C	AOC DIRECTOR ACCESS & VISITATION	<u>1</u> GRADE C115
13			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1

15 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - ACCESS & VISITATION MEDIATION - FEDERAL.

16 There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to
 17 be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer
 18 of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 19 Administrative Office of the Courts - Access & Visitation Mediation- Federal
 20 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	NO.	2017-2018
24	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$31,805
25	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	12,264
26	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
27	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	10,000
28	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
29	(C) PROF. FEES	85,000
30	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
31	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
32	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$139,069</u>

34 SECTION 19. REGULAR SALARIES - COURT SECURITY GRANTS. There is hereby
 35 established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Security
 36 Grants for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular

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Item	Class		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code	Title	No. of	Salary Rate
			Employees	Fiscal Year
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(1)	Q133C	AOC DIR OF SEC & EMER PREPAREDNESS	<u>1</u>	GRADE C125
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1	

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - COURT SECURITY GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services, operating expenses and security grants of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Security Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2017-2018
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$60,808
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	18,849
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	25,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,000
(C) PROF. FEES	5,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) SECURITY GRANTS	<u>250,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$362,657</u></u>

SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY JUROR REIMBURSEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the County Juror Reimbursement Fund, for reimbursing Arkansas counties for the costs of jurors by the Administrative Office of the Courts - County Juror Reimbursement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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1	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
2	(01) COUNTY JUROR REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$850,000</u>

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 4 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - COURT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM. There is hereby
 5 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 6 the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 7 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Administrative
 8 Office of the Courts - Court Management Program for the fiscal year ending
 9 June 30, 2018, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
13	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
14	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$25,000
15	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
16	(C) PROF. FEES	0
17	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
18	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
19	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$25,000</u>

21 SECTION 23. REGULAR SALARIES - STOP DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. There is hereby
 22 established for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Stop Domestic
 23 Violence for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the following maximum number of
 24 regular employees.

26			Maximum Annual
27		Maximum	Salary Rate
28	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
29	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
30	(1) Q019C AOC SENIOR STAFF ATTORNEY	<u>1</u>	GRADE C128
31	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1	

33 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - STOP DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. There is hereby
 34 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 35 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 36 personal services and operating expenses of the Stop Domestic Violence

1 Research Program of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Stop Domestic
 2 Violence for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
6 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$60,548
7 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	18,790
8 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
9 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	12,660
10 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	2,500
11 (C) PROF. FEES	0
12 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
13 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
14 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$94,498</u></u>

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16 SECTION 25. REGULAR SALARIES - HOPE GRANT. There is hereby established
 17 for the Administrative Office of the Courts - Hope Grant for the 2017-2018
 18 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

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20	Maximum Annual
21	Salary Rate
22 Item Class	Fiscal Year
23 <u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u> <u>2017-2018</u>
24 (1) Q189C AOC PROJECT ANALYST	<u>1</u> GRADE C120
25 MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1

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27 SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - USDOT CASE MANAGEMENT. There is hereby
 28 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 29 the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 30 operating expenses for the US Department of Transportation Case Management
 31 Program of the Administrative Office of the Courts - USDOT Case Management
 32 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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34 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
36 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

1	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$484,000
2	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
3	(C) PROF. FEES	0
4	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
5	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$484,000</u></u>

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8 SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION - COURT INTERPRETERS. There is hereby

9 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from

10 the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief

11 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses associated with fees from

12 Court Interpreter candidates and interpreter fess ordered by judges for the

13 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
17	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$10,000
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
20	(C) PROF. FEES	15,000
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
22	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
23	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$25,000</u></u>

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25 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - DRUG COURT CAPACITY BUILDING. There is

26 hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be

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

28 the State, for operating expenses and grants of the Administrative Office of

29 the Courts - Drug Court Capacity Building for the fiscal year ending June 30,

30 2018, the following:

32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
34	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$29,900
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	95,080

1	(C) PROF. FEES	0
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	0
4	(02) DRUG COURT GRANTS	<u>301,464</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$426,444</u></u>

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7 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION - VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN COURT TRAINING &
 8 IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of
 9 the Courts, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief
 10 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Administrative
 11 Office of the Courts - Violence Against Women Court Training & Improvement
 12 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
16	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
17	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$37,750
18	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
19	(C) PROF. FEES	12,250
20	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
21	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
22	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$50,000</u></u>

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24 SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION - SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM. There is hereby
 25 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 26 the Specialty Court Program Fund, for costs associated with the Specialty
 27 Court Program and providing assistance and support to the Specialty Court
 28 Advisory Committee for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
32	(01) SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM	<u><u>\$300,000</u></u>

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34 SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - JUVENILE DRUG COURT DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.
 35 There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to
 36 be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer

1 of the State, for operating expenses and other associated costs of developing
 2 and implementing a statewide case and data management system for Juvenile
 3 Drug Courts of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Juvenile Drug Court
 4 Data Management System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the
 5 following:

7 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
8 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
9 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
10 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$400,000
11 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
12 (C) PROF. FEES	0
13 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
14 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
15 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$400,000</u></u>

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 17 SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION - STATE AWARENESS & RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN -
 18 CASA. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the
 19 Courts, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief
 20 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses and
 21 other costs of implementing a statewide awareness and volunteer recruitment
 22 campaign for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of the Administrative
 23 Office of the Courts - State Awareness & Recruitment Campaign - CASA for the
 24 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

26 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
28 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$35,554
29 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	8,220
30 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	17,722
32 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
33 (C) PROF. FEES	0
34 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>13,504</u>
36 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$75,000</u></u>

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 2 SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - CASA PROGRAM. There is hereby
 3 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 4 the Arkansas Court Appointed Special Advocates Program Fund, for operating
 5 expenses and grants to local CASA programs statewide by the Administrative
 6 Office of the Courts - CASA Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018,
 7 the following:

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9 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
10 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
11 (01) CASA PROGRAM EXPENSES	<u>\$10,000</u>

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13 SECTION 34. APPROPRIATION - PARENT COUNSEL PROGRAM. There is hereby
 14 appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from
 15 the State Central Services Fund, for parent counsel program
 16 refunds/reimbursements of the Administrative Office of the Courts - Parent
 17 Counsel Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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19 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
20 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
21 (01) PARENT COUNSEL REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$2,500,231</u>

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23 SECTION 35. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 24 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
 25 TRANSFER. Federal funds received by the Arkansas State Police from the
 26 United States Department of Transportation from safety incentive funds
 27 received under 23 USC Section 402 for the "State and Community Highway Safety
 28 Program" may be granted to the Administrative Office of the Courts and
 29 deposited into the State Central Services Fund to reimburse expenditures by
 30 the Administrative Office of the Courts for operating expenses of the
 31 Continuing Education Program for District Judges as appropriated in the
 32 District Judges Continuing Education - State appropriation herein. The
 33 appropriation to the Administrative Office of the Courts provided in the
 34 District Judges Continuing Education - State appropriation may be expended
 35 only in the event that federal funds have been granted and will be
 36 transferred from the Arkansas State Police to reimburse the Continuing

1 Education Program for District Judges.

2 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
3 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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

7 CONTRACTING WITH STATE ATTORNEYS. The Administrative Office of the Courts
8 Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation shall have the authority to
9 enter into a Professional Services Agreement with any qualified attorney who
10 at any time previously served as a State Attorney and was paid by the State
11 as a state employee prior to being appointed to provide representation in the
12 dependency-neglect cases by a Circuit Judge. In addition, the Division shall
13 have the authority to enter into a professional services contract with a
14 qualified person who is serving as a part-time Public Defender or other part-
15 time State Attorney and paid as an employee of the State of Arkansas when the
16 Public Defender or other part-time State Attorney has been appointed to
17 provide Dependency-Neglect Services by a Circuit Judge. The part-time Public
18 Defender or other part-time State Attorney shall be eligible for additional
19 compensation which shall not be construed as exceeding the line item maximum
20 for the grade of that position when the Administrative Office of the Courts
21 reimburses the part-time Public Defender or other part-time State Attorney
22 for Dependency-Neglect Representation services performed. This does not
23 prevent the Administrative Office of the Courts from contracting with any
24 qualified attorney in the state.

25 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
26 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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28 SECTION 37. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
29 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

30 DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT REPRESENTATION APPROPRIATION TRANSFER AUTHORITY. The
31 Administrative Office of the Courts shall receive approval from the Chief
32 Fiscal Officer of the State and Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget
33 Committee to transfer funds and appropriations between line items Regular
34 Salaries, Personal Services Matching, Operating Expense, Professional Fees
35 and Attorney Ad Litem Fees/Reimbursements of the Division of Dependency-
36 Neglect Representation appropriation herein for the payment of employees

1 and/or contractors providing legal services for the Division of Dependency-
2 Neglect Representation.

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

19 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
20 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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22 SECTION 38. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
23 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
24 AUTHORITY. The Department of Finance and Administration shall transfer
25 funds, from time to time, from the State Administration of Justice Fund to
26 the State Central Services Fund in such amounts as are required to reimburse
27 the State Central Services Fund for a portion of the expenses of the
28 Administrative Office of the Courts - Division of Dependency-Neglect
29 Representation.

30 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
31 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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33 SECTION 39. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
34 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING.
35 Funds received by the Arkansas State Police from the Department of
36 Transportation from the safety incentive funds received under P.L. 105-178,

1 title I, Section 1404(a), 23 USC Section 163 for "Safety Incentives to
2 Prevent Operation of Motor Vehicles by Intoxicated Persons" may be
3 transferred to the Administrative Office of the Courts as directed by the
4 Arkansas State Police for operating expenses of the District Court State
5 Automation System.

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

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9 SECTION 40. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
10 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. MONTHLY
11 INSTALLMENT. From July 1, ~~2016~~ 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018, a lump sum
12 monthly installment of at least one-twelfth (1/12) of a portion of the annual
13 appropriation provided for in the Division of Dependency-Neglect
14 Representation appropriation of this Act, or so much thereof as may be made
15 available, shall be provided from the State Administration of Justice Fund to
16 the State Central Services Fund to provide a portion of the funds for that
17 appropriation.

18 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
19 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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21 SECTION 41. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. INDIGENT
23 PARENT COUNSEL REPRESENTATION. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall
24 have the authority to use the appropriation provided in line item Parent
25 Counsel Reimbursements of the Parent Counsel Program appropriation herein for
26 the purpose of entering into professional service contracts on a full-time or
27 part-time basis with attorneys who are qualified to provide counsel for
28 indigent parents in dependency-neglect cases.

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

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32 SECTION 42. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
33 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
34 PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
35 State and Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the Agency
36 is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line item authorized in

1 Court Automation Appropriation of the Administrative Office of the Courts in
2 this Act to any other line item authorized in Court Automation Appropriation.

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

19 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
20 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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22 SECTION 43. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
23 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
24 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
25 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
26 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
27 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
28 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
29 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
30 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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32 SECTION 44. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
33 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
34 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
35 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
36 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget

1 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
2 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
3 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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5 SECTION 45. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
6 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
7 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
8 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2017 is essential to the operation of
9 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
10 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
11 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2017 could work irreparable harm
12 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
13 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
14 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
15 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2017.

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