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A Bill

SENATE BILL 267

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, 2018;
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE
15 DEPARTMENT 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 Arkansas Agriculture Department for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the
24 following maximum number of regular employees.
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Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2017-2018
30	(1) U072U	SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE	1	\$118,027
31	(2) U057U	DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE	1	\$110,425
32	(3) U003U	STATE FORESTER	1	\$109,953
33	(4) U044U	PLANT BOARD DIRECTOR	1	\$107,074
34	(5) N045N	DIRECTOR OF POULTRY DISEASES	1	GRADE N909
35	(6) N056N	AGRI COORDINATOR OF LABORATORY	1	GRADE N908
36	(7) N058N	DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ARLPC	1	GRADE N908



1	(8)	B004N	STATE VETERINARIAN	1	GRADE N908
2	(9)	B006N	ARLPC BOARD CERTIFIED PATHOLOGIST	2	GRADE N907
3	(10)	G017C	PLANT BOARD ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N906
4	(11)	N095N	ARKANSAS BUREAU OF STANDARDS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE N904
5	(12)	B020N	VETERINARY TOXICOLOGIST	1	GRADE N904
6	(13)	B010N	VETERINARY VIROLOGIST	2	GRADE N904
7	(14)	A010N	AGRICULTURE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE N903
8	(15)	B001C	DEPUTY STATE FORESTER	1	GRADE C130
9	(16)	B002C	AGRI DIRECTOR OF MARKETING	1	GRADE C129
10	(17)	N001C	DEPUTY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	1	GRADE C128
11	(18)	B010C	AGRI DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE C127
12	(19)	B014C	ASST STATE FORESTER	2	GRADE C126
13	(20)	R006C	HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE C126
14	(21)	B022C	DISTRICT FORESTER	8	GRADE C124
15	(22)	B029C	AGRI PLANT BOARD DIVISION MGR	4	GRADE C123
16	(23)	B128C	METROLOGY LABORATORY MANAGER	1	GRADE C123
17	(24)	P004C	PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER	1	GRADE C123
18	(25)	B136C	ARLPC LAB QUALITY MANAGER	1	GRADE C122
19	(26)	B037C	CHEMIST SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE C122
20	(27)	B034C	MICROBIOLOGIST SUPERVISOR	5	GRADE C122
21	(28)	A050C	AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
22	(29)	S005C	AVIATION MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
23	(30)	G109C	GRANTS MANAGER	2	GRADE C121
24	(31)	D052C	SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C121
25	(32)	B038C	STATE FOREST MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
26	(33)	X058C	AGRI COMMODITY AREA SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE C120
27	(34)	B049C	AGRI PROGRAM MANAGER	23	GRADE C120
28	(35)	D057C	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER	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 COORDINATION SPEC	2	GRADE C119
32	(39)	B127C	SENIOR MICROBIOLOGIST	1	GRADE C119
33	(40)	B058C	STAFF FORESTER	5	GRADE C119
34	(41)	B072C	AGRI PROGRAM COORDINATOR	7	GRADE C118
35	(42)	R024C	ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	GRADE C118
36	(43)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	4	GRADE C118

1	(44)	A074C	FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118
2	(45)	A073C	PROGRAM/FIELD AUDITOR SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118
3	(46)	A082C	ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE C117
4	(47)	X109C	AFC INVESTIGATOR	2	GRADE C117
5	(48)	X111C	AREA LIVESTOCK INSPECTOR SUPV	5	GRADE C117
6	(49)	C015C	ARLPC ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C117
7	(50)	B081C	CHEMIST	15	GRADE C117
8	(51)	B080C	FORESTER	36	GRADE C117
9	(52)	B078C	METROLOGIST	2	GRADE C117
10	(53)	B077C	MICROBIOLOGIST	10	GRADE C117
11	(54)	X097C	PLANT BOARD AGRICULTURE SPECIALIST	34	GRADE C117
12	(55)	X132C	AGRI COMMODITY COMPLIANCE INSPECTOR	4	GRADE C116
13	(56)	V014C	BUYER	5	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	2	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	2	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	14	GRADE C114
30	(73)	S040C	CALIBRATION TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE C114
31	(74)	X157C	EIA INSPECTOR	3	GRADE C114
32	(75)	B098C	FOREST RANGER II	114	GRADE C114
33	(76)	B097C	NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM SPECIALIST	3	GRADE C114
34	(77)	B096C	SENIOR SEED ANALYST	4	GRADE C114
35	(78)	D081C	TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST	8	GRADE C114
36	(79)	X165C	LIVESTOCK INSPECTOR	27	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	10	GRADE C112
5	(84)	S053C	AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC	4	GRADE C112
6	(85)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C112
7	(86)	C054C	LOCAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	10	GRADE C112
8	(87)	B104C	SEED ANALYST	2	GRADE C112
9	(88)	B111C	LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE C110
10	(89)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>16</u>	GRADE C109
11			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	568	

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13 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas
 14 Agriculture Department for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the following maximum
 15 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",
 16 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one hundred
 17 seventy-one (171) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of
 18 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 19 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 20 classification.

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22 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 23 to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Department of
 24 Agriculture Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 25 Arkansas Agriculture Department - Operations for the fiscal year ending June
 26 30, 2018, the following:

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28	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
29	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
30	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$10,196,030
31	(02) EXTRA HELP	74,131
32	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,677,370
33	(04) OVERTIME	16,571
34	(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	5,200
35	(06) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,858,438

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	61,113
2	(C) PROF. FEES	328,500
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
4	(E) DATA PROC.	0
5	(07) PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	6,148
6	(08) BOLL WEEVIL PROGRAM	<u>20,000</u>
7	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$17,243,501</u>

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9 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - OPERATIONS. There
 10 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable
 11 from the Livestock and Poultry Fund Account, for operating expenses of the
 12 Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission -
 13 Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
17	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$77,131
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
20	(C) PROF. FEES	0
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
22	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
23	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$77,131</u>

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25 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - ANIMAL DISEASE
 26 CONTROL AND ERADICATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 27 Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry
 28 Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund, for personal services and operating
 29 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry
 30 Commission - Animal Disease Control and Eradication Program for the fiscal
 31 year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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33	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
35	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$586,197
36	(02) EXTRA HELP	55,000

1	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	232,831
2	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
3	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	255,592
4	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
5	(C) PROF. FEES	0
6	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	20,000
7	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,149,620</u></u>

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

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

12 payable from the Poultry and Egg Grading Fund, for personal services and

13 operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and

14 Poultry Commission - Egg Grading Program for the fiscal year ending June 30,

15 2018, the following:

17	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
18	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
19	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,358,349
20	(02) EXTRA HELP	67,500
21	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	579,411
22	(04) OVERTIME	300,000
23	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	230,902
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	18,350
26	(C) PROF. FEES	0
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000
28	(E) DATA PROC.	0
29	(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	887,968
30	(07) EGG PROMOTION EXPENSE	<u>64,500</u>
31	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,556,980</u></u>

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33 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - DIAGNOSTIC

34 LABORATORY TESTING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas

35 Agriculture Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special

36 Revenue Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas

1 Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Diagnostic
 2 Laboratory Testing 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	\$120,889
7 (02) EXTRA HELP	14,500
8 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	42,142
9 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
10 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,608,077
11 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000
12 (C) PROF. FEES	0
13 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	310,000
14 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
15 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,120,608</u></u>

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 17 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - BRAND REGISTRY.

18 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be
 19 payable from the Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue Fund, for maintenance
 20 of the Brand Registry Book by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock
 21 and Poultry Commission - Brand Registry for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 22 2018, the following:

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24 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
26 (01) BRAND REGISTRY	<u><u>\$6,000</u></u>

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 28 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - INDEMNITIES -

29 REVOLVING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture
 30 Department, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, for payment
 31 of authorized indemnities by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock
 32 and Poultry Commission - Indemnities - Revolving for the fiscal year ending
 33 June 30, 2018, the following:

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

1 (01) INDEMNITIES \$45,000

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3 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - POULTRY INDEMNITIES
 4 - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture
 5 Department, to be payable from the cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-
 6 4-801 of the Arkansas Agriculture Department, for payment of poultry
 7 indemnities by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry
 8 Commission - Poultry Indemnities - Cash for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 9 2018, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
(01) POULTRY INDEMNITIES	<u>\$10,000</u>

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15 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SWINE TESTING
 16 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture
 17 Department, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Commission Swine
 18 Testing Fund, for the purpose of funding the Pseudorabies Control and
 19 Eradication Program of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and
 20 Poultry Commission - Swine Testing Program for the fiscal year ending June
 21 30, 2018, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
(01) SWINE TESTING PROGRAM	<u>\$1,500</u>

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27 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - SHOW PREMIUMS.
 28 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be
 29 payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for show premiums,
 30 refunds, and reimbursements of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -
 31 Livestock and Poultry Commission - Show Premiums for the fiscal year ending
 32 June 30, 2018, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
(01) ARSHS RODEO ASSOCIATION	\$20,000

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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 13. 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, 2018, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
20	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$79,280
21	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	22,090
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>\$431,370</u></u>

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31 SECTION 14. 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, 2018, the following:

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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
4	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$236,229
5	(02) EXTRA HELP	8,311
6	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	82,079
7	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	118,111
9	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,350
10	(C) PROF. FEES	0
11	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
12	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
13	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$450,080</u></u>

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15 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS AND AID. There is hereby
 16 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the
 17 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 18 personal services, operating expenses and assistance to eligible agricultural
 19 producers by the Arkansas Agriculture Department for the fiscal year ending
 20 June 30, 2018, the following:

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22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
24	(01) AQUACULTURE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	<u><u>\$2,225</u></u>

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26 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - ADMINISTRATION/PEST CONTROL.
 27 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be
 28 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating
 29 expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board -
 30 Administration/Pest Control for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the
 31 following:

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33	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
35	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,322,264
36	(02) EXTRA HELP	191,116

1 following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
5 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$152,916
6 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	54,979
7 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	52,066
9 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
10 (C) PROF. FEES	0
11 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
12 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
13 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$265,961</u></u>

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15 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - APIARY. There is hereby
 16 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the
 17 Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 18 Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board - Apiary for the fiscal
 19 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) REGULAR SALARIES	\$107,845
24 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	39,676
25 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
26 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	51,085
27 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
28 (C) PROF. FEES	0
29 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
30 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
31 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$198,606</u></u>

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33 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PRODUCT MARKETING PROGRAM.
 34 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be
 35 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 36 the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -

1 State Plant Board - Product Marketing Program for the fiscal year ending June
 2 30, 2018, the following:

4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
6 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$147,000
8 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
9 (C) PROF. FEES	150,000
10 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11 (E) DATA PROC.	0
12 (02) PRODUCT MARKETING GRANTS & AID	200,000
13 (03) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>97,059</u>
14 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$600,059</u></u>

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 16 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - REFUNDS/TRANSFERS. There is
 17 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable
 18 from the cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas
 19 Agriculture Department, for operating expenses, refunds and transfers to the
 20 State Treasury by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Plant Board -
 21 Refunds/Transfers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

23 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
24 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
25 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
26 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$500
27 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
28 (C) PROF. FEES	0
29 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
30 (E) DATA PROC.	0
31 (02) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>6,765,100</u>
32 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,765,600</u></u>

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 34 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PESTICIDE/PLANT REGULATORY
 35 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture
 36 Department, to be payable from the Abandoned Agricultural Pesticide and Plant

1 Regulator Disposal Trust Fund, for operating expenses of the Arkansas
 2 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board - Pesticide/Plant Regulatory
 3 Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,500,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,500,000</u></u>

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 15 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - U OF A AGRICULTURE
 16 SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture
 17 Department, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for
 18 internships and scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas
 19 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June
 20 30, 2018, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
(01) GRANT TO THE UNIV OF ARK-DIV. OF AGRICULTURE FOR INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	<u><u>\$5,000</u></u>

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 28 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - ASU AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIPS.
 29 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be
 30 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for internships and
 31 scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas Agriculture
 32 Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the
 33 following:

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

1 (01) GRANT TO THE ARK ST UNIV COLLEGE OF
 2 AGRICULTURE FOR INTERNSHIPS &
 3 SCHOLARSHIPS \$5,000

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 5 SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - AR TECH AGRICULTURE
 6 SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture
 7 Department, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for
 8 internships and scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas
 9 Agriculture Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June
 10 30, 2018, the following:

12 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
14 (01) GRANT TO THE ARK TECH UNIV 15 AGRICULTURE DEPT FOR 16 INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>\$5,000</u>

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 18 SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - SAU AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIPS.
 19 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be
 20 payable from the Plant Board Fund, for grants for internships and
 21 scholarships from civil penalties collected by the Arkansas Agriculture
 22 Department - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the
 23 following:

25 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
27 (01) GRANT TO THE SAU AGRICULTURE DEPT FOR 28 INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>\$5,000</u>

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 30 SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 31 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the
 32 State Forestry Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 33 Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Operations for
 34 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

36 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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1	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
2	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$5,042,169
3	(02) EXTRA HELP	85,855
4	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,883,108
5	(04) OVERTIME	52,400
6	(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	55,000
7	(06) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,292,020
9	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	50,000
10	(C) PROF. FEES	325,000
11	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	743,000
12	(E) DATA PROC.	0
13	(07) FORESTRY GRANTS AND AID - FIREBOAT SCHOOL	15,000
14	(08) FEDERAL INITIATIVE PROGRAM	<u>138,512</u>
15	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$9,682,064</u></u>

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17 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - RURAL COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION
 18 - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture
 19 Department, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief
 20 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and
 21 federal matching grants to purchase firefighting equipment by the Arkansas
 22 Agriculture Department - State Forestry Commission - Rural Community Fire
 23 Protection - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
27	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$67,510
28	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	25,453
29	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	366,566
31	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
32	(C) PROF. FEES	30,000
33	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
34	(E) DATA PROC.	0
35	(04) RURAL COMMUNITY MATCH GRANTS	<u>364,710</u>
36	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$854,239</u></u>

SECTION 29. 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, 2018, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$67,500
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	50,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) URBAN FORESTRY MATCHING GRANTS	<u>82,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$199,500</u></u>

SECTION 30. 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, 2018, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
(01) RURAL FIRE PROTECTION LOANS	<u><u>\$1,200,000</u></u>

SECTION 31. 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, 2018, the

1 following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
5 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$200,000
7 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
8 (C) PROF. FEES	100,000
9 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,000,000
10 (E) DATA PROC.	0
11 (02) FIRE CONTROL/COMMUNICATE	900,000
12 (03) MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONS	<u>300,000</u>
13 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,500,000</u></u>

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15 SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE PREVENTION.

16 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be
 17 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 18 the State, for grants by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry
 19 Commission - Southern Pine Beetle Prevention for the fiscal year ending June
 20 30, 2018, the following:

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22 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
24 (01) SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE GRANTS AND AID	<u>150,000</u>
25 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$150,000</u></u>

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27 SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - FOREST LEGACY. There is hereby

28 appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the
 29 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 30 operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department - State Forestry
 31 Commission - Forest Legacy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the
 32 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	\$6,599
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>\$6,599</u></u>

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8 SECTION 34. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - SILVICULTURAL NON-POINT PROGRAM.

9 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be
 10 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 11 the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Agriculture Department -
 12 State Forestry Commission - Silvicultural Non-Point Program for the fiscal
 13 year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
17	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$3,200
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
20	(C) PROF. FEES	0
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
22	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
23	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,200</u></u>

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25 SECTION 35. APPROPRIATION - AGRICULTURE CASH OPERATING FUND. There is
 26 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable
 27 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 28 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas
 29 Agriculture Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the
 30 following:

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32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
34	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$50,000
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0

1	(C) PROF. FEES	0
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	0
4	(02) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>10,000</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$60,000</u></u>

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7 SECTION 36. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
8 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXPENSE
9 REIMBURSEMENT. Funds appropriated in Item (07), (08) and (09) of the
10 Livestock and Poultry - Show Premiums appropriation section shall be used to
11 pay expenses necessary for members of high school 4H clubs, high school FFA
12 clubs and Miss Arkansas Rodeo for expenses incurred while representing the
13 State of Arkansas at national conferences and events outside the State. The
14 State 4H Association and the State FFA Association shall receive funds
15 appropriated for expense reimbursement of student members but shall be
16 limited to \$20,000 each, or so much thereof that is available. Reimbursement
17 of expenses for Miss Arkansas Rodeo shall be limited to \$350 per year.

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 37. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
23 TRANSFER. The Executive Director of the Livestock and Poultry Commission,
24 with prior approval of the Arkansas Legislative Council or the Joint Budget
25 Committee, the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and for the
26 reimbursing of documented expenditures designated by law to be made from the
27 transferred special revenue, may transfer funds among the Livestock and
28 Poultry Equine Infectious Anemia Control Fund, Livestock and Poultry
29 Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund, Livestock and Poultry Special
30 Revenue Fund, Livestock and Poultry Commission Swine Testing Fund, and the
31 Poultry and Egg Grading Fund or from these funds to the Livestock and Poultry
32 Fund Account. The purpose of these transfers shall only be for accurate
33 allocation of incurred costs between the funds. Requests for fund transfer
34 will at least include the total amount to be transferred, to and from which
35 funds, the nature, purpose, and time period of the expenditures being
36 reimbursed, and any other information requested by the Legislative Council or

1 the Joint Budget Committee.

2 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of
3 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year
4 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by
5 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and
6 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by
7 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly
8 has determined that the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and
9 Poultry Commission may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is
10 provided to the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Livestock and Poultry
11 Commission 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 PROVISION - PEST ERADICATION. If the State Plant Board determines that the
25 demands of pest eradication efforts require additional personnel expenses,
26 with the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and approval by
27 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, appropriations may be
28 transferred from the Pest Eradication Program special line item to the line
29 items for Regular Salaries, Extra Help, Overtime, and Personal Services
30 Matching.

31 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of
32 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year
33 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by
34 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and
35 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by
36 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly

1 has determined that the State Plant Board may operate more efficiently if
2 some flexibility is provided to the State Plant Board authorizing broad
3 powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate
4 that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of
5 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this
6 section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint
7 Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement
8 of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled
9 unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is
10 void.

11 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
12 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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14 SECTION 39. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
15 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXTRA
16 HELP PROVISION. No employee of the Arkansas Forestry Commission who is
17 employed as "Extra Help" may receive an amount to exceed 3/4 of the maximum
18 annual salary for a comparable position as authorized by Arkansas Code 21-5-
19 201 et seq. during any fiscal year, nor may such employee be employed for a
20 period of time to exceed nine (9) months in any single fiscal year.
21 Provided, however, that no employee of the Arkansas Forestry Commission who
22 is employed as "Extra Help" may receive an amount to exceed seventy five
23 percent (75%) of the maximum annual salary for a comparable position as
24 authorized by Arkansas Code 21-5-201 et seq. during any fiscal year, nor
25 shall such employee be employed for a period of time to exceed fourteen
26 hundred (1400) hours in any single fiscal year.

27 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
28 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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30 SECTION 40. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
31 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
32 PROVISION. If the State Forestry Commission determines that temporary
33 firefighters, dispatchers, or pilots are required to meet the demands of a
34 wildfire season, and upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,
35 appropriations may be transferred from either Extra Help or Professional Fees
36 and Services to the proper character code for the employment of such

1 personnel.

2 If the State Forestry Commission determines that the deployment of air
3 tankers for fighting wildfires requires additional Professional Fees and
4 Services, and upon the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,
5 excess appropriation in Regular Salaries or Personal Services Matching may be
6 transferred to Professional Fees and Services in the Operations and Forestry
7 - Rural Community Fire Protection - Federal appropriation sections.

8 If the State Forestry Commission determines that the most effective way for
9 it to cooperate in the growing and distribution of forest planting stock is
10 by contracting work with private vendors and/or hiring temporary employees
11 for seasonal work, the Commission is hereby authorized, upon approval by the
12 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, to transfer the necessary appropriation
13 authorized for Extra Help and Maintenance and General Operation in the
14 Operations and Forestry - Rural Community Fire Protection - Federal
15 appropriation sections.

16 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
17 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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19 SECTION 41. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
20 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REFUND TO
21 EXPENDITURE. The Arkansas Forestry Commission is authorized to charge fees
22 to federal agencies and other states to reimburse the Commission for
23 expenditures made on behalf of these governmental units. These fees shall be
24 deposited into the State Forestry Fund in the State Treasury as a refund to
25 expenditure.

26 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
27 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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29 SECTION 42. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
30 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REPORTING
31 REQUIREMENTS. The Arkansas Forestry Commission shall present the following
32 data each month to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Arkansas
33 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. This report shall be due by
34 the 10th day of the month following the reporting period. The first reporting
35 period shall be July 2012.

36 a) All fund transfers completed by the Arkansas Forestry Commission from

1 any funding source including federal funds, and shall include a justification
2 for the completion of the fund transfers.

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

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

9 d) All Arkansas Forestry Commission activities including but not limited
10 to, firefighting activities, fire prevention, and emergency response as it
11 relates to the Commission's statutory mission provided in Arkansas Code 15-
12 31-101.

13 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~
14 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

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16 SECTION 43. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
17 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

18 PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall establish
19 upon request for the Arkansas Agriculture Department a special Promotional
20 Items appropriation to be used in the acquisition of promotional items.
21 When the Arkansas Agriculture Department wishes to transfer from its
22 operating expenses to the promotional items line, the request shall be
23 forwarded by the Arkansas Agriculture Department to the Chief Fiscal Officer
24 of the State for processing and for prior approval by the Arkansas
25 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. Determining the maximum
26 number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general
27 revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the
28 General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums
29 in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue
30 allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the
31 Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that
32 the Arkansas Agriculture Department may operate more efficiently if some
33 flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Agriculture Department authorizing
34 broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and
35 appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior
36 approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by

1 this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or
 2 Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the
 3 requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
 4 is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire
 5 section is void.

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

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 19 SECTION 45. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
 20 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
 21 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
 22 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 23 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
 24 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
 25 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
 26 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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 28 SECTION 46. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
 29 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
 30 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
 31 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2017 is essential to the operation of
 32 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
 33 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
 34 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2017 could work irreparable harm
 35 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
 36 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act

1 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
2 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2017.

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