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A Bill

SENATE BILL 164

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 DEPARTMENT OF
10 AGRICULTURE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022;
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
14 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL
15 YEAR.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby
22 established for the Department of Agriculture for the 2021-2022 fiscal year,
23 the 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 2021-2022
29	(1) SC001	SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE	1	GRADE SE05
30	(2) U072U	SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE	1	GRADE SE02
31	(3) U057U	DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE	1	GRADE SE01
32	(4) L104C	AGRI LABORATORY COORDINATOR	1	GRADE MP04
33	(5) D007C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	1	GRADE IT08
34	(6) D054C	COMPUTER SUPPORT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE IT05
35	(7) D063C	COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT05
36	(8) D061C	INFORMATION SYS COORDINATION SPEC	1	GRADE IT05



1	(9)	D057C INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER	1	GRADE IT05
2	(10)	D052C SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
3	(11)	D056C SYSTEMS COORDINATION ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
4	(12)	A010C AGENCY CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE GS13
5	(13)	B006C AGRI CONSERVATION DIVISION MGR	1	GRADE GS13
6	(14)	A010N AGRICULTURE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS13
7	(15)	N001C DEPUTY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS13
8	(16)	G004C MANAGING ATTORNEY	2	GRADE GS13
9	(17)	B002C AGRI DIRECTOR OF MARKETING	1	GRADE GS12
10	(18)	R006C HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS12
11	(19)	A027C ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS11
12	(20)	B010C AGRI DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS11
13	(21)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
14	(22)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
15	(23)	T110C AGRI LAW ENFORCEMENT CHIEF	1	GRADE GS10
16	(24)	B144C FARM SCHOOL COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS10
17	(25)	A050C AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	2	GRADE GS09
18	(26)	G109C GRANTS MANAGER	2	GRADE GS09
19	(27)	P004C PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
20	(28)	A082C ACCOUNTANT II	1	GRADE GS08
21	(29)	B049C AGRI PROGRAM MANAGER	4	GRADE GS08
22	(30)	G126C FINANCE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
23	(31)	B058C STAFF FORESTER	1	GRADE GS08
24	(32)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE GS07
25	(33)	X109C AGRI INVESTIGATOR	2	GRADE GS07
26	(34)	R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	GRADE GS07
27	(35)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
28	(36)	G147C GRANTS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
29	(37)	A073C PROGRAM/FIELD AUDITOR SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS07
30	(38)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
31	(39)	P049C GRAPHIC ARTIST	1	GRADE GS06
32	(40)	G179C LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
33	(41)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
34	(42)	V014C BUYER	4	GRADE GS05
35	(43)	A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	3	GRADE GS05
36	(44)	R032C HUMAN RESOURCES PROGRAM REP	1	GRADE GS05

1	(45) C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
2	(46) A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS04
3	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	61	

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Shared Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
13	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,551,281
14	(02) EXTRA HELP	21,900
15	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,152,038
16	(04) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	140,000
17	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,712,067
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	33,500
20	(C) PROF. FEES	904,500
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	200,000
22	(E) DATA PROC.	0
23	(06) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>60,000</u>
24	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$8,775,286</u></u>

SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Department of Agriculture for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

30		Maximum Annual
31		Salary Rate
32	Item Class	Fiscal Year
33	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
34	(1) U048U LIVESTOCK & POULTRY DIVISION MGR	1 GRADE SE01
35	(2) U044U PLANT INDUSTRY DIVISION DIRECTOR	1 GRADE SE01
36	(3) U003U STATE FORESTER	1 GRADE SE01

1	(4)	B004N STATE VETERINARIAN	1	GRADE MP05
2	(5)	L106C VETERINARY SPECIALIST	5	GRADE MP04
3	(6)	N058N AGRI DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ARLPC	1	GRADE GS13
4	(7)	B001C DEPUTY STATE FORESTER	1	GRADE GS13
5	(8)	G036N AGRI PLANT BOARD ASST DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS12
6	(9)	B010C AGRI DIVISION MANAGER	5	GRADE GS11
7	(10)	B014C ASST STATE FORESTER	2	GRADE GS11
8	(11)	B022C DISTRICT FORESTER	8	GRADE GS10
9	(12)	X217C NATIONAL POULTRY IMPROVEMENT PLAN COORD	1	GRADE GS10
10	(13)	B136C AGRI LAB QUALITY MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
11	(14)	S005C AVIATION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
12	(15)	B037C CHEMIST SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS09
13	(16)	B034C MICROBIOLOGIST SUPERVISOR	5	GRADE GS09
14	(17)	B038C STATE FOREST MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
15	(18)	B049C AGRI PROGRAM MANAGER	21	GRADE GS08
16	(19)	X148C AIRCRAFT PILOT	4	GRADE GS08
17	(20)	B067C ARCHAEOLOGIST	3	GRADE GS08
18	(21)	B127C SENIOR MICROBIOLOGIST	1	GRADE GS08
19	(22)	B058C STAFF FORESTER	5	GRADE GS08
20	(23)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE GS07
21	(24)	C015C AGRI ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS07
22	(25)	X058C AGRI COMMODITY AREA SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS07
23	(26)	X111C AGRI INSPECTOR SUPERVISOR	4	GRADE GS07
24	(27)	X109C AGRI INVESTIGATOR	1	GRADE GS07
25	(28)	B072C AGRI PROGRAM COORDINATOR	8	GRADE GS07
26	(29)	B081C CHEMIST	14	GRADE GS07
27	(30)	B080C FORESTER	38	GRADE GS07
28	(31)	B077C MICROBIOLOGIST	10	GRADE GS07
29	(32)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	4	GRADE GS06
30	(33)	X146C AGRI INSPECTOR III	34	GRADE GS06
31	(34)	B147C AGRI PROGRAM SPECIALIST	3	GRADE GS06
32	(35)	D076C COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
33	(36)	B088C COUNTY FOREST RANGER	61	GRADE GS06
34	(37)	B078C METROLOGIST	2	GRADE GS06
35	(38)	A084C PROGRAM/FIELD AUDIT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS06
36	(39)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06

1	(40)	E046C TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	1	GRADE GS06
2	(41)	X157C AGRI INSPECTOR II	96	GRADE GS05
3	(42)	X097C AGRI SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05
4	(43)	S036C AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS05
5	(44)	V014C BUYER	2	GRADE GS05
6	(45)	B098C FOREST RANGER II	113	GRADE GS05
7	(46)	C054C LOCAL OFFICE ADMIN SPECIALIST	10	GRADE GS05
8	(47)	D081C TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST	8	GRADE GS05
9	(48)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	8	GRADE GS04
10	(49)	B096C AGRI SEED ANALYST	6	GRADE GS04
11	(50)	S053C AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC	4	GRADE GS04
12	(51)	S040C CALIBRATION TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE GS04
13	(52)	B111C LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE GS04
14	(53)	B101C NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM TECHNICIAN	4	GRADE GS04
15	(54)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>15</u>	GRADE GS03
16		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	533	

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18 SECTION 4. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department
 19 of Agriculture for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the following maximum number of
 20 part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from
 21 funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one hundred seventy-six (176)
 22 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed
 23 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its
 24 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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26 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 27 to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the Department of
 28 Agriculture Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 29 Department of Agriculture - Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 30 2022, the following:

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32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
34	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$9,906,740
35	(02) EXTRA HELP	74,131
36	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,487,972

1	(04)	OVERTIME	21,571
2	(05)	UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	3,200
3	(06)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	1,716,961
5	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	32,075
6	(C)	PROF. FEES	33,500
7	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E)	DATA PROC.	0
9	(07)	PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	6,148
10	(08)	BOLL WEEVIL PROGRAM	<u>5,000</u>
11		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$15,287,298</u>

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13 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - ANIMAL DISEASE
 14 CONTROL AND ERADICATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 15 Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the Livestock and Poultry
 16 Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund, for personal services and operating
 17 expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Livestock and Poultry Commission
 18 - Animal Disease Control and Eradication Program for the fiscal year ending
 19 June 30, 2022, the following:

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21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
23	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$554,010
24	(02) EXTRA HELP	55,000
25	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	218,020
26	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
27	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	163,846
28	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
29	(C) PROF. FEES	0
30	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	120,000
31	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
32	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,110,876</u>

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34 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - EGG GRADING PROGRAM.
 35 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 36 from the Poultry and Egg Grading Fund, for personal services and operating

1 expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Livestock and Poultry Commission
 2 - Egg Grading Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the
 3 following:

5 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
6 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
7 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,377,381
8 (02) EXTRA HELP	67,500
9 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	600,083
10 (04) OVERTIME	300,000
11 (05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
12 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	202,971
13 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	18,350
14 (C) PROF. FEES	0
15 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
16 (E) DATA PROC.	0
17 (06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	887,968
18 (07) EGG PROMOTION EXPENSE	<u>64,500</u>
19 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,618,753</u></u>

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21 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - AGRI LABORATORY TESTING. There is hereby
 22 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 23 Livestock and Poultry Special Revenue Fund, for personal services and
 24 operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Agri Laboratory Testing
 25 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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27 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
29 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$132,546
30 (02) EXTRA HELP	34,500
31 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	51,659
32 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,575,245
34 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000
35 (C) PROF. FEES	0
36 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	310,000

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(05) NAHLN ENHANCEMENT PROJECT	<u>71,500</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,200,450</u></u>

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5 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - AGRI SHOW PREMIUMS. There is hereby
 6 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 7 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for show premiums, refunds, and
 8 reimbursements of the Department of Agriculture - Agri Show Premiums for the
 9 fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
13	(01) ARSHS RODEO ASSOCIATION	\$19,796
14	(02) COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	356,332
15	(03) DISTRICT JR LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	28,140
16	(04) DISTRICT LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	142,533
17	(05) FOUR STATES LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	23,755
18	(06) STATE LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUMS	118,777
19	(07) REFUNDS/REIMBURSE 4H CLUBS	19,796
20	(08) REFUNDS/REIMBURSE FFA CLUBS	19,796
21	(09) REFUNDS/REIMBURSE MISS AR RODEO	<u>347</u>
22	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$729,272</u></u>

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24 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - EQUINE INFECTIOUS
 25 ANEMIA. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to
 26 be payable from the Livestock and Poultry Equine Infectious Anemia Control
 27 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of
 28 Agriculture - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Equine Infectious Anemia for
 29 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

31	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
33	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$76,551
34	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	29,560
35	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	183,046

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
2	(C) PROF. FEES	0
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
4	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$389,157</u></u>

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7 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - ANIMAL HEALTH.

8 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 9 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 10 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of
 11 Agriculture - Livestock and Poultry Commission - Animal Health for the fiscal
 12 year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
16	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$385,627
17	(02) EXTRA HELP	8,311
18	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	146,775
19	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
20	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	118,111
21	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,350
22	(C) PROF. FEES	0
23	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
24	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
25	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$664,174</u></u>

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27 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - ADMINISTRATION/PEST CONTROL.

28 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 29 from the Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of
 30 the Department of Agriculture - State Plant Board - Administration/Pest
 31 Control for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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33	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
35	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,219,518
36	(02) EXTRA HELP	700,000

1	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,226,813
2	(04) OVERTIME	50,000
3	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	852,968
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	103,613
6	(C) PROF. FEES	594,510
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	885,000
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(06) PROJECT PLANNING, EDUCATION, AND	
10	OUTREACH GRANTS AND AID	394,140
11	(07) PEST ERADICATION	1,000,000
12	(08) LICENSING & ENFORCEMENT	<u>55,346</u>
13	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$9,081,908</u></u>

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15 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PUBLIC GRAIN WAREHOUSE

16 INSPECTION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
 17 Agriculture, to be payable from the Plant Board Fund, for personal services
 18 and operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture - State Plant Board -
 19 Public Grain Warehouse Inspection Program for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 20 2022, the following:

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22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
24	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$164,920
25	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	60,421
26	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
27	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	60,614
28	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,613
29	(C) PROF. FEES	1,200
30	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
31	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
32	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$291,768</u></u>

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34 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PESTICIDE SURVEILLANCE.

35 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 36 from the Plant Board Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of

1 the Department of Agriculture - State Plant Board - Pesticide Surveillance
2 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

3	4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
6	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$153,013
7	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	57,619
8	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
9	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	40,783
10	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
11	(C) PROF. FEES	0
12	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
13	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
14	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$257,415</u></u>

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16 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - APIARY. There is hereby
17 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the Plant
18 Board Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of
19 Agriculture - State Plant Board - Apiary for the fiscal year ending June 30,
20 2022, the following:

21	22 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
24	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$112,555
25	(02) EXTRA HELP	10,000
26	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	39,874
27	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
28	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	42,170
29	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
30	(C) PROF. FEES	0
31	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
32	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
33	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$204,599</u></u>

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35 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - AGRI PRODUCT MARKETING PROGRAM. There is
36 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the

1 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 2 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture -
 3 Agri Product Marketing Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the
 4 following:

6	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
7	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
8	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$209,460
9	(02) EXTRA HELP	20,000
10	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	79,500
11	(04) OVERTIME	13,000
12	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
13	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	187,210
14	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	93,210
15	(C) PROF. FEES	50,000
16	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
17	(E) DATA PROC.	0
18	(06) PRODUCT MARKETING GRANTS & AID	739,059
19	(07) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	5,000
20	(08) FERAL HOG HANDBOOK	<u>35,000</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,431,439</u>

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23 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - REFUNDS/TRANSFERS. There is
 24 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from
 25 cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for operating expenses,
 26 refunds, and transfers to the State Treasury by the Department of Agriculture
 27 - State Plant Board - Refunds/Transfers for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 28 2022, the following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
32	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$500
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
35	(C) PROF. FEES	0
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(02) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>4,515,100</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$4,515,600</u>

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5 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - PLANT BOARD - PESTICIDE/PLANT REGULATORY
6 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to
7 be payable from the Abandoned Agricultural Pesticide and Plant Regulator
8 Disposal Trust Fund, for operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture
9 - State Plant Board - Pesticide/Plant Regulatory Program for the fiscal year
10 ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
14	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,500,000
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
17	(C) PROF. FEES	0
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
20	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,500,000</u>

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22 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - AGRI UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. There
23 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from
24 the Plant Board Fund, for grants for internships and scholarships from civil
25 penalties collected by the Department of Agriculture - Agri University
26 Scholarship Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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28	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
29	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
30	(01) ASU COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE FOR	
31	INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	\$250,000
32	(02) ATU AGRICULTURE DEPT. FOR INTERNSHIPS	
33	& SCHOLARSHIPS	250,000
34	(03) SAU AGRICULTURE DEPT. FOR INTERNSHIPS	
35	& SCHOLARSHIPS	250,000
36	(04) U OF A-DIV. OF AGRICULTURE FOR	

1	INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>250,000</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,000,000</u></u>

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4 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 5 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the State
 6 Forestry Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department
 7 of Agriculture - State Forestry Commission - Operations for the fiscal year
 8 ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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10	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
11	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
12	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$6,737,633
13	(02) EXTRA HELP	255,855
14	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,513,187
15	(04) OVERTIME	52,400
16	(05) UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	0
17	(06) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,260,744
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	100,000
20	(C) PROF. FEES	280,000
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,663,000
22	(E) DATA PROC.	0
23	(07) FORESTRY GRANTS AND AID	299,981
24	(08) DISTRICT OFFICE REPLACEMENT	300,000
25	(09) FOREST ACTION PLAN	70,000
26	(10) FEDERAL INITIATIVE PROGRAM	<u>138,512</u>
27	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$14,671,312</u></u>

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29 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - RURAL COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION
 30 - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture,
 31 to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal
 32 Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and federal
 33 matching grants to purchase firefighting equipment by the Department of
 34 Agriculture - State Forestry Commission - Rural Community Fire Protection -
 35 Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

36

1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
3	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$88,613
4	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	31,235
5	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	364,816
7	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
8	(C) PROF. FEES	30,000
9	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	185,000
10	(E) DATA PROC.	0
11	(04) RURAL COMMUNITY MATCH GRANTS	<u>602,563</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,302,227</u></u>

13

14 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - URBAN FORESTRY SERVICES -
 15 FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to
 16 be payable from the State Forestry Fund, for personal services, operating
 17 expenses and urban forestry matching grants of the Department of Agriculture
 18 - State Forestry Commission - Urban Forestry Services - Federal for the
 19 fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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21	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
23	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$67,500
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
26	(C) PROF. FEES	50,000
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
28	(E) DATA PROC.	0
29	(02) URBAN FORESTRY MATCHING GRANTS AND AID	<u>82,000</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$199,500</u></u>

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32 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - RURAL FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE
 33 LOANS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be
 34 payable from the Rural Fire Protection Revolving Fund, for loans to
 35 communities for fire protection by the Department of Agriculture - State
 36 Forestry Commission - Rural Fire Protection Services Loans for the fiscal

1 year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

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3 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
5 (01) RURAL FIRE PROTECTION LOANS	<u>\$1,200,000</u>

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7 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - STATE FORESTRY TRUST PROGRAM.

8 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 9 from the State Forestry Trust Fund, for management and operating expenses,
 10 fire control, communications, contracting for assistance, and other services
 11 of the Department of Agriculture - State Forestry Commission - State Forestry
 12 Trust Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

13

14 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
16 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
17 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$200,000
18 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
19 (C) PROF. FEES	100,000
20 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	2,250,000
21 (E) DATA PROC.	0
22 (02) FIRE CONTROL/COMMUNICATE	900,000
23 (03) MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONS	<u>300,000</u>
24 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$3,750,000</u>

25

26 SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE PREVENTION.

27 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 28 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 29 State, for grants by the Department of Agriculture - State Forestry
 30 Commission - Southern Pine Beetle Prevention for the fiscal year ending June
 31 30, 2022, the following:

32

33 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
35 (01) SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE GRANTS AND AID	<u>\$150,000</u>

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1 SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - FOREST LEGACY. There is hereby
 2 appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 3 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 4 operating expenses and grants and aid by the Department of Agriculture -
 5 State Forestry Commission - Forest Legacy for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 6 2022, the following:

8	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
9	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
10	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
11	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$6,599
12	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	1,800
13	(C) PROF. FEES	5,000
14	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
15	(E) DATA PROC.	0
16	(02) GRANTS & AID FOR LAND ACQUISITION	<u>137,500</u>
17	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$150,899</u></u>

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 19 SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION - FORESTRY - SILVICULTURAL NON-POINT PROGRAM.
 20 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 21 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 22 State, for operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture - State
 23 Forestry Commission - Silvicultural Non-Point Program for the fiscal year
 24 ending June 30, 2022, the following:

26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
28	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
29	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$36,000
30	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,000
31	(C) PROF. FEES	0
32	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
33	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
34	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$40,000</u></u>

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 36 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - AGRICULTURE CASH OPERATING FUND. There is

1 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 2 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal
 3 Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture
 4 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

5	6 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
7	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
8	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
9	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$40,000
10	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
11	(C) PROF. FEES	0
12	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
13	(E) DATA PROC.	0
14	(02) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	2,000
15	(03) BUFFALO RIVER WATERSHED GRANTS &	
16	PROJECTS	<u>1,000,000</u>
17	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,042,000</u></u>

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19 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION - INDUSTRIAL HEMP RESEARCH PROGRAM. There is
 20 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable from the
 21 Arkansas Industrial Hemp Program Fund, for personal services and operating
 22 expenses to administer the Industrial Hemp Research Program of the Department
 23 of Agriculture - State Plant Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022,
 24 the following:

25

26 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
28 (01) INDUSTRIAL HEMP RESEARCH PROGRAM	<u><u>\$300,000</u></u>

29

30 SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - FORESTERS REGISTRATION BOARD.
 31 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be payable
 32 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 33 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of
 34 the Department of Agriculture - Arkansas State Board of Registration for
 35 Foresters for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

36

1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
3	(01) EXTRA HELP	\$37,000
4	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,839
5	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
6	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	6,329
7	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
8	(C) PROF. FEES	0
9	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
10	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
11	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$46,168</u></u>

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13 SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING
 14 BOARD. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be
 15 payable from the Veterinary Examiners Board Fund, for personal services and
 16 operating expenses of the Department of Agriculture - Veterinary Medical
 17 Examining Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

18

19	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
20	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
21	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$49,458
22	(02) EXTRA HELP	21,000
23	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	18,122
24	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
25	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	15,996
26	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	281
27	(C) PROF. FEES	6,000
28	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
29	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$110,857</u></u>

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32 SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - SOIL CLASSIFIERS REGISTRATION
 33 BOARD. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Agriculture, to be
 34 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by
 35 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the
 36 Department of Agriculture - Arkansas State Board of Registration for

1 Professional Soil Classifiers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the
2 following:

3	4 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
5	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
6	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
7	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,296
8	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
9	(C) PROF. FEES	0
10	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
11	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,296</u></u>

13

14 SECTION 33. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
15 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SHARED
16 SERVICES.

17 (a)(1)(A) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may create paying
18 accounts on his or her books and on the books of the Treasurer of the State
19 and Auditor of State for the payment of all personal services and operating
20 expenses of the Department of Agriculture.

21 (B) Upon prior approval of the Arkansas Legislative Council, or if
22 meeting in Legislative Session the Joint Budget Committee, the Chief Fiscal
23 Officer of the state shall direct the transfer of funds and appropriations to
24 the Shared Services Paying Account appropriation section of this act and the
25 transfer of positions to the Regular Salaries - Shared Services appropriation
26 section of this act on the books of the Treasurer of State, the Auditor of
27 State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

28 (2) The transfer authority provided in subdivision (a)(1) of this
29 section for efficiencies and to eliminate duplication of services are limited
30 only to those services that are provided for multiple divisions of a
31 department, including without limitation to administration, human resources,
32 procurement, communications, fleet operations, and information services.

33 (3) The transfer authority provided to the department in subdivision
34 (a)(1) of this section may be used to make transfers only within the
35 department's appropriation act or between other appropriation acts authorized
36 for the department.

1 (b)(1) Each department utilizing the Shared Services Paying Account
2 section or Regular Salaries – Shared Services section of this act shall
3 submit a report to be included in the Budget Manuals for hearings, conducted
4 by the General Assembly, listing all shared services transfers of positions,
5 funds, and appropriation under this section, which shall be submitted as
6 instructed by the Department of Finance and Administration - Office of Budget
7 for uniformity.

8 (2) A report submitted under subdivision (b)(1) of this section
9 shall include the following:

10 (A) The position number, authorized position title, class
11 code, grade, business area, and name of the division, section, or unit for
12 the position being transferred to the Regular Salaries – Shared Services
13 section of this act; and

14 (B) The fund center, appropriation, appropriation amount,
15 commitment item or items, business area, and name of the division, section,
16 or unit for the fund or appropriation being transferred to the Shared
17 Services Paying Account.

18 (c)(1) It is the intent of the Ninety-Second General Assembly that the
19 authority under this section to transfer positions is intended for use for the
20 time period prior to Fiscal Year ~~2022~~ 2023 to allow cabinet-level departments
21 to establish a centralized Regular Salaries - Shared Services section, with
22 the recommendation that the position transfer authority granted under this
23 section be discontinued after that time.

24 (2) The Bureau of Legislative Research shall bring the
25 recommendation in subdivision (c)(1) of this section to the attention of the
26 chairs conducting the ~~2021~~ 2022 ~~Regular~~ Fiscal Session pre-session budget
27 hearings, the chairs of the Special Language Subcommittee, and the members of
28 the Special Language Subcommittee during pre-session budget hearings.

29 (d) Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount
30 of appropriation and general revenue funding for a cabinet-level department
31 each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly and is usually
32 accomplished by delineating the maximums in the appropriation act or acts and
33 establishing authorized positions and the general revenue allocations
34 authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue
35 Stabilization Law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the
36 cabinet-level departments created under Acts 2019, No. 910, may operate more

1 efficiently if some flexibility is provided as authorized under this section.
2 Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly
3 maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or,
4 if the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Budget Committee, as
5 provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative
6 Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section.
7 If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget
8 Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction,
9 this entire section is void.

10 (e) The provisions of this section shall be in effect from the date of
11 passage through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

12
13 SECTION 34. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
14 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
15 TRANSFER. The Deputy Director of the Livestock and Poultry Commission, with
16 prior approval of the Arkansas Legislative Council or the Joint Budget
17 Committee, the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and for the
18 reimbursing of documented expenditures designated by law to be made from the
19 transferred special revenue, may transfer funds among the Livestock and
20 Poultry Equine Infectious Anemia Control Fund, Livestock and Poultry
21 Commission Disease and Pest Control Fund, Livestock and Poultry Special
22 Revenue Fund, Livestock and Poultry Commission Swine Testing Fund, and the
23 Poultry and Egg Grading Fund or from these funds to the Livestock and Poultry
24 Fund Account. The purpose of these transfers shall only be for accurate
25 allocation of incurred costs between the funds. Requests for fund transfer
26 will at least include the total amount to be transferred, to and from which
27 funds, the nature, purpose, and time period of the expenditures being
28 reimbursed, and any other information requested by the Legislative Council or
29 the Joint Budget Committee.

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

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

11 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
12 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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14 SECTION 35. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
15 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
16 PROVISION - PEST ERADICATION. If the State Plant Board determines that the
17 demands of pest eradication efforts require additional personnel expenses,
18 with the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and approval by
19 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, appropriations may be
20 transferred from the Pest Eradication Program special line item to the line
21 items for Regular Salaries, Extra Help, Overtime, and Personal Services
22 Matching.

23 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of
24 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year
25 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by
26 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and
27 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by
28 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly
29 has determined that the State Plant Board may operate more efficiently if
30 some flexibility is provided to the State Plant Board authorizing broad
31 powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate
32 that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of
33 the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this
34 section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint
35 Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement
36 of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled

1 unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is
2 void.

3 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
4 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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

14 If the State Forestry Commission determines that the deployment of air
15 tankers for fighting wildfires requires additional Professional Fees and
16 Services, and upon the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,
17 excess appropriation in Regular Salaries or Personal Services Matching may be
18 transferred to Professional Fees and Services in the Operations and Forestry
19 - Rural Community Fire Protection - Federal appropriation sections.

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

28 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
29 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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31 SECTION 37. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REFUND TO
33 EXPENDITURE. The Arkansas Forestry Commission is authorized to charge fees
34 to federal agencies and other states to reimburse the Commission for
35 expenditures made on behalf of these governmental units. These fees shall be
36 deposited into the State Forestry Fund in the State Treasury as a refund to

1 expenditure.

2 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
3 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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5 SECTION 38. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
7 PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall establish
8 upon request for the Arkansas Agriculture Department a special Promotional
9 Items appropriation to be used in the acquisition of promotional items.
10 When the Arkansas Agriculture Department wishes to transfer from its
11 operating expenses to the promotional items line, the request shall be
12 forwarded by the Arkansas Agriculture Department to the Chief Fiscal Officer
13 of the State for processing and for prior approval by the Arkansas
14 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. Determining the maximum
15 number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general
16 revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the
17 General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums
18 in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue
19 allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the
20 Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that
21 the Arkansas Agriculture Department may operate more efficiently if some
22 flexibility is provided to the Arkansas Agriculture Department authorizing
23 broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and
24 appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior
25 approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by
26 this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or
27 Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the
28 requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
29 is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire
30 section is void.

31 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~
32 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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34 SECTION 39. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
35 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
36 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and

1 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
2 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
3 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
4 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
5 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
6 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

7
8 SECTION 40. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
9 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
10 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
11 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
12 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
13 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
14 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
15 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

16
17 SECTION 41. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
18 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
19 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
20 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2021 is essential to the operation of
21 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
22 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
23 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2021 could work irreparable harm
24 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
25 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
26 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
27 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2021.

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29 /s/ Joint Budget Committee
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