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2 94th General Assembly  
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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1035

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 SECRETARY OF STATE FOR  
10 THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES.

**Subtitle**

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14 AN ACT FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
15 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL  
16 YEAR.  
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established  
23 for the Secretary of State for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following  
24 maximum number of regular employees.  
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26				Maximum Annual
27				Salary Rate
28	Item Class	Maximum	No. of	Fiscal Year
29	No. Code Title	Employees		2024-2025
30	(1) Q171U SEC OF STATE CHIEF DEPUTY	1		\$132,286
31	(2) Q172U SEC OF STATE DEPUTY	2		\$118,545
32	(3) Q174U SEC OF STATE SENIOR INFO TECHNICIAN	1		\$109,169
33	(4) Q173U SEC OF STATE GENERAL COUNSEL	1		\$106,234
34	(5) Q175U SEC OF STATE INFO TECHNICIAN	1		\$98,118
35	(6) Q178U SEC OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE CHIEF	1		\$95,204
36	(7) Q176U SEC OF STATE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR	7		\$95,204



1	(8)	Q177U SEC OF STATE ASSOCIATE COUNSEL	1	\$85,320
2	(9)	Q179U SEC OF STATE SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	\$78,807
3	(10)	Q184U SEC OF STATE BUDGET ANALYST	1	\$76,464
4	(11)	Q183U SEC OF STATE DEPARTMENT MANAGER	1	\$76,464
5	(12)	Q182U SEC OF STATE SENIOR SUPERVISOR	1	\$76,464
6	(13)	Q181U SEC OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE CAPTAIN	1	\$76,464
7	(14)	Q190U SEC OF STATE INFO TECH ANALYST	1	\$70,631
8	(15)	Q185U SEC OF STATE PROGRAMMER ANALYST	1	\$70,631
9	(16)	Q197U SEC OF STATE PROJECT COORDINATOR II	3	\$68,529
10	(17)	Q192U SEC OF STATE DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR	2	\$68,529
11	(18)	Q188U SEC OF STATE TRADE SUPERVISOR	2	\$68,529
12	(19)	Q187U SEC OF STATE POLICE SERGEANT	5	\$68,529
13	(20)	Q186U SEC OF STATE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	3	\$68,529
14	(21)	Q195U SEC OF STATE INFO TECH ADMINISTRATOR	2	\$63,303
15	(22)	Q231U SEC OF STATE PROJECT COORDINATOR I	4	\$61,418
16	(23)	Q212U SEC OF STATE BLDGS & GRND SUPERVISOR I	3	\$61,418
17	(24)	Q201U SEC OF STATE CORPORAL	24	\$61,418
18	(25)	Q198U SEC OF STATE BUSINESS ACCOUNTANT II	3	\$61,418
19	(26)	Q194U SEC OF STATE CREATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	\$61,418
20	(27)	Q193U SEC OF STATE MASTER TRADESPERSON	2	\$61,418
21	(28)	Q191U SEC OF STATE ELECTION COORDINATOR	5	\$61,418
22	(29)	Q180U SEC OF STATE PUBLIC EVENTS COORD	1	\$61,418
23	(30)	Q199U SEC OF STATE INFO TECH SPECIALIST	1	\$56,737
24	(31)	Q210U SEC OF STATE CORPORATIONS REP III	4	\$55,047
25	(32)	Q209U SEC OF STATE TRADESPERSON	2	\$55,047
26	(33)	Q208U SEC OF STATE MAINTENANCE WORKER II	4	\$55,047
27	(34)	Q204U SEC OF STATE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	4	\$55,047
28	(35)	Q203U SEC OF STATE CREATIVE SPECIALIST II	2	\$55,047
29	(36)	Q202U SEC OF STATE VOTER SVCS ADMINISTRATOR	2	\$55,047
30	(37)	Q200U SEC OF STATE CUSTOMER SVCS COORD II	3	\$55,047
31	(38)	Q215U SEC OF STATE ADMINISTRATIVE ASST III	7	\$49,337
32	(39)	Q214U SEC OF STATE FACILITIES SVC REP II	1	\$49,337
33	(40)	Q213U SEC OF STATE CREATIVE SPECIALIST I	1	\$49,337
34	(41)	Q211U SEC OF STATE RECORDS SPECIALIST	2	\$49,337
35	(42)	Q206U SEC OF STATE BLDG SVCS COORDINATOR	1	\$49,337
36	(43)	Q222U SEC OF STATE MAINTENANCE WORKER I	4	\$44,223

1	(44)	Q221U SEC OF STATE FACILITIES SVC REP I	4	\$44,223
2	(45)	Q219U SEC OF STATE CORPORATIONS REP II	11	\$44,223
3	(46)	Q218U SEC OF STATE BUSINESS ASSISTANT I	3	\$44,223
4	(47)	Q216U SEC OF STATE ADMINISTRATIVE ASST II	3	\$44,223
5	(48)	Q229U SEC OF STATE MAIL CLERK	1	\$39,637
6	(49)	Q225U SEC OF STATE DISPATCHER	2	\$39,637
7	(50)	Q224U SEC OF STATE CUSTODIAN II	1	\$39,637
8	(51)	Q223U SEC OF STATE CORPORATIONS REP I	4	\$39,637
9	(52)	Q220U SEC OF STATE ADMINISTRATIVE ASST I	5	\$39,637
10	(53)	Q227U SEC OF STATE CUSTODIAN I	5	\$35,528
11	(54)	Q226U SEC OF STATE BLDG SVCS REP	2	\$35,528
12	(55)	Q230U SEC OF STATE RECEPTIONIST I	<u>1</u>	\$33,495
13		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	162	

15 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for  
16 the Secretary of State - Operations for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the  
17 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as  
18 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes:  
19 forty-five (45) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of  
20 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and  
21 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate  
22 classification.

24 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
25 to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the State Central Services  
26 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Secretary of State  
27 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

29	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
30	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
31	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$9,559,104
32	(02) EXTRA HELP	144,909
33	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,452,735
34	(04) OVERTIME	33,000
35	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	4,258,525

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	65,651
2	(C) PROF. FEES	205,956
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	210,000
4	(E) DATA PROC.	0
5	(06) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE	675,048
6	(07) BUILDING & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	372,678
7	(08) ELECTION EXPENSES	<u>3,088,029</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$22,065,635</u>
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10 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - CAPITOL GROUNDS MONUMENT/MEMORIAL

11 PRESERVATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be  
 12 payable from the Capitol Grounds Monument And Memorial Preservation Fund, for  
 13 various construction and operating expenses for the preservation of Monuments  
 14 and Memorials on the State Capitol Grounds by the Secretary of State for the  
 15 fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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17	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
18	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
19	(01) VARIOUS OPERATING & CONSTRUCTION	
20	EXPENSES FOR MONUMENT/MEMORIAL	
21	PRESERVATION	<u>\$77,456</u>
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23 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE CAPITOL BUILDINGS & GROUNDS  
 24 RESTORATION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State,  
 25 to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as  
 26 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, from contributions and  
 27 donations for maintenance and restoration projects by the Secretary of State  
 28 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
32	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$25,000
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
35	(C) PROF. FEES	0
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

1	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$25,000</u></u>

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 4 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - ADMINISTRATIVE & MAINTENANCE - CASH. There  
 5 is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from cash  
 6 funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for various operating and  
 7 associated expenses for administrative and maintenance expenses for the State  
 8 Capitol grounds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

10	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
11	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
12	(01) VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE & MAINTENANCE	
13	EXPENSES	<u><u>\$1,000,000</u></u>

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 15 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - FEE AND TAX REFUNDS. There is hereby  
 16 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the Miscellaneous  
 17 Revolving Fund, for refunds and reimbursements of corporate filings fees and  
 18 franchise taxes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
22	(01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u><u>\$550,000</u></u>

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 24 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY VOTING SYSTEM GRANT FUND. There is  
 25 hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the County  
 26 Voting System Grant Fund, for professional fees and services for upgrading or  
 27 purchasing county voting systems, grants and aid for voting system equipment,  
 28 programming, maintenance or equipment and devices used to view voter  
 29 registration records at a polling location and refunds/reimbursements of fees  
 30 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
34	(01) COUNTY VOTING SYSTEMS GRANT	<u><u>\$10,000,000</u></u>

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 36 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS VIDEO SERVICE ACT. There is hereby

1 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the Arkansas  
2 Video Service Fund, for the review and issue of certificates of franchise  
3 authority and refunds/reimbursements of fees of the Arkansas Video Service  
4 Act for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
(01) ARKANSAS VIDEO SERVICE ACT	<u>\$25,000</u>

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10 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - NATIONAL STATUARY HALL COLLECTION. There is  
11 hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the  
12 National Statuary Hall Collection Trust Fund, for placement and replacement  
13 of Arkansas statues in the National Statuary Hall Collection in the United  
14 States Capitol as provided under § 1-4-134 for the fiscal year ending June  
15 30, 2025, the sum of..... \$750,000.

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17 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT - FEDERAL. There is  
18 hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the  
19 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
20 expenditures requiring state matching for maintenance, operating expenses and  
21 associated costs for the Help America Vote Act for the fiscal year ending  
22 June 30, 2025, the sum of..... \$4,000,000.

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24 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - GIFT SHOP AND 500 GRILL. There is hereby  
25 appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the cash funds as  
26 defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and miscellaneous  
27 operating expenses of the Gift Shop and 500 Grill for the fiscal year ending  
28 June 30, 2025, the sum of.....\$490,000.

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30 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - MECHANICAL ROOM CONSTRUCTION. There is  
31 hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the cash  
32 fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal  
33 Officer of the State, for costs associated with architectural design,  
34 construction and renovations of the State Capitol Building mechanical room  
35 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the sum of.....\$4,500,000.

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*SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES ELECTRONIC FILING SYSTEM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Secretary of State, to be payable from the Secretary of State Business and Commercial Services Electronic Filing System Fund, for the maintenance and support of the business and commercial services electronic filing system of the Business and Commercial Services Electronic Filing System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the sum of.....\$1,080,000*

SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
TRANSFER PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the Agency is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line item authorized in Operations appropriation to any other line item authorized in Operations appropriation.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2023~~ 2024 through June 30, ~~2024~~ 2025.

SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
PERMANENT GIFT SHOP. The Arkansas Secretary of State shall operate a gift shop to be permanently located in a space on the first floor of the State Capitol Building. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to maintain a space on the first floor of the State Capitol Building for the use of a gift shop. The Arkansas Secretary of State is prohibited from removing a gift shop from the first floor of the State Capitol Building or to nullify or void the provisions of this section. A space on the first floor of the State Capitol Building shall be the only location for the Arkansas Secretary of State gift shop operations and shall be the only location items of the Arkansas Secretary of State gift shop are sold to the public.

SECTION 17. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary

1 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
2 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
3 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
4 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.  
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6 SECTION 18. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
7 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
8 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
9 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
10 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
11 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
12 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
13 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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15 SECTION 19. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
16 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
17 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
18 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of  
19 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
20 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
21 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 could work irreparable harm  
22 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
23 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
24 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
25 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2024.  
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27 /s/Joint Budget Committee  
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