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SENATE BILL 38

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH -
LICENSING AND REGULATION BOARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH -
LICENSING AND REGULATION BOARDS
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL
YEAR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF
ACUPUNCTURE AND RELATED TECHNIQUES. There is hereby appropriated, to the
Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State
Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of
Acupuncture and Related Techniques for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026,
the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$2,999
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0



1	(C) PROF. FEES	8,001
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$11,000</u></u>

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6 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF
 7 ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE COUNSELORS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 8 Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State
 9 Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal
 10 services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - State Board of
 11 Examiners of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors for the fiscal year ending
 12 June 30, 2026, the following:

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14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
16	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$7,400
17	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	566
18	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
19	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	10,000
20	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
21	(C) PROF. FEES	14,000
22	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
23	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
24	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$31,966</u></u>

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26 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF
 27 ATHLETIC TRAINING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
 28 Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as
 29 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services
 30 and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of
 31 Athletic Training for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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33	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
35	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$480
36	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	37

1	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	20,000
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
4	(C) PROF. FEES	0
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
6	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
7	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$20,517</u></u>

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9 SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF
 10 CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS. There is hereby established for the Department of
 11 Health - Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for the 2025-2026
 12 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

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14			Maximum Annual
15		Maximum	Salary Rate
16	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
17	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
18	(1) L091C ADH PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION CHIEF I	1	GRADE GS08
19	(2) C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS06
20	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

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22 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF
 23 CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
 24 Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as
 25 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services
 26 and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of
 27 Chiropractic Examiners for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 28 following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
32	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$91,815
33	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	35,643
34	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	60,000
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	2,500

1	(C) PROF. FEES	12,672
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$202,630</u></u>

SECTION 6. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item	Class	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	N176N ADH EXEC DIR COUNSELING BD	1	GRADE GS11
(2)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	2	GRADE GS04
(3)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS04
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	4	

SECTION 7. EXTRA HELP - ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSLING. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Health - Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$225,143
(02) EXTRA HELP	4,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	84,472
(04) OVERTIME	12,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	113,800
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,000
(C) PROF. FEES	11,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$454,415</u></u>

SECTION 9. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

			Maximum Annual
			Salary Rate
Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
No.	Code Title	No. of Employees	2025-2026
(1)	X027C ADH DENTAL EXAMINERS BD EXEC DIR	1	GRADE GS10
(2)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS06
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$155,097

1	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	48,708
2	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
3	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	119,637
4	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	7,166
5	(C) PROF. FEES	42,126
6	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
7	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$372,734</u></u>

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10 SECTION 11. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS DIETETICS
 11 LICENSING BOARD. There is hereby established for the Department of Health -
 12 Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the
 13 following maximum number of regular employees.

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15			Maximum Annual
16		Maximum	Salary Rate
17	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
18	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
19	(1) L091C ADH PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION CHIEF I	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS08
20	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1	

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22 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS DIETETICS LICENSING
 23 BOARD. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be
 24 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by
 25 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating
 26 expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board for
 27 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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29	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
30	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
31	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$47,260
32	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	18,775
33	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
34	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	5,000
35	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
36	(C) PROF. FEES	0

1	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
2	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$71,035</u></u>

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5 SECTION 13. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS BOARD OF

6 DISPENSING OPTICIANS. There is hereby established for the Department of

7 Health - Arkansas Board of Dispensing Opticians for the 2025-2026 fiscal

8 year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

10		Maximum Annual
11		Salary Rate
12	Item Class	No. of Fiscal Year
13	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees 2025-2026</u>
14	(1) L091C ADH PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION CHIEF I	<u>1</u> GRADE GS08
15	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	1

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17 SECTION 14. EXTRA HELP - ARKANSAS BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS. There

18 is hereby authorized, for the Department of Health - Arkansas Board of

19 Dispensing Opticians for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum

20 number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help",

21 payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one (1) temporary

22 or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those

23 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 15. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS BOARD OF DISPENSING

27 OPTICIANS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be

28 payable from the Board of Dispensing Opticians' Fund, for personal services

29 and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas Board of

30 Dispensing Opticians for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
34	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$49,750
35	(02) EXTRA HELP	1,200
36	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	18,943

1	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	23,900
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
4	(C) PROF. FEES	0
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
6	(E) DATA PROC.	0
7	(05) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>200</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$93,993</u></u>

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10 SECTION 16. EXTRA HELP - ARKANSAS BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT
 11 DISPENSERS. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Health -
 12 Arkansas Board of Hearing Instrument Dispensers for the 2025-2026 fiscal
 13 year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be
 14 known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such
 15 purposes: two (2) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of
 16 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 17 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 18 classification.

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20 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS BOARD OF HEARING
 21 INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
 22 Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as
 23 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services
 24 and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas Board of
 25 Hearing Instrument Dispensers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 26 following:

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28	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
29	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
30	(01) EXTRA HELP	\$30,200
31	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,328
32	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	17,800
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
35	(C) PROF. FEES	350
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$50,678

SECTION 18. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Arkansas State Medical Board for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item	Class	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
No.	Code Title		
(1)	U134U ADH EXEC DIR AR STATE MEDICAL BD	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	D030C INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE IT07
(3)	D065C NETWORK SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE IT04
(4)	D064C WEBSITE DEVELOPER	2	GRADE IT04
(5)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
(6)	R019C BUDGET MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(7)	X030C REGULATORY BOARD CHIEF INVESTIGATOR	1	GRADE GS08
(8)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	4	GRADE GS06
(9)	E046C TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	1	GRADE GS06
(10)	G187C CREDENTIALING COORDINATION SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS05
(11)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
(12)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS04
(13)	C045C LICENSING COORDINATOR	16	GRADE GS04
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		34	

SECTION 19. EXTRA HELP - ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Health - Arkansas State Medical Board for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two (2) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD.
 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from
 the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of
 the Department of Health - Arkansas State Medical Board for the fiscal year
 ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,493,519
(02) EXTRA HELP	24,500
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	584,328
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,379,645
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	19,000
(C) PROF. FEES	21,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>7,500</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,529,492</u></u>

SECTION 21. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF
 NURSING. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Arkansas
 State Board of Nursing for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum
 number of regular employees.

Item	Class	Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code	Title	Salary Rate
No.	Code	Title	Fiscal Year
No.	Code	Title	2025-2026
(1)	U096U	ADH ASBN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	GRADE SE01
(2)	L018N	NURSE PRACTITIONER	GRADE MP04
(3)	L009C	NURSE MANAGER	GRADE MP03
(4)	L026C	ADH NURSING PROGRAM COORD	GRADE MP02
(5)	D030C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	GRADE IT07
(6)	D084C	COMPUTER OPERATOR	GRADE IT02

1	(7)	G013N ADH ASBN GENERAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS12
2	(8)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
3	(9)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
4	(10)	X030C REGULATORY BOARD CHIEF INVESTIGATOR	1	GRADE GS08
5	(11)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
6	(12)	P013C PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
7	(13)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
8	(14)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
9	(15)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
10	(16)	C046C LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS04
11	(17)	C045C LICENSING COORDINATOR	6	GRADE GS04
12	(18)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS03
13		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	30	

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15 SECTION 22. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING.

16 There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Health - Arkansas State
 17 Board of Nursing for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number
 18 of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable
 19 from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one (1) temporary or part-
 20 time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in
 21 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this
 22 act for the appropriate classification.

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24 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF
 25 NURSING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be
 26 payable from the State Board of Nursing Fund, for personal services and
 27 operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of
 28 Nursing for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
32	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,982,888
33	(02) EXTRA HELP	5,000
34	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	689,775
35	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,040,914

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	43,448
2	(C) PROF. FEES	2,000
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
4	(E) DATA PROC.	0
5	(05) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>1,000</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,765,025</u></u>

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8 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING - SCHOLAR
 9 LOANS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health - Arkansas
 10 State Board of Nursing, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the
 11 State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
 12 the Nursing Student Loan Program to make student loans for the fiscal year
 13 ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
17	(01) NURSING STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM	<u><u>\$100,000</u></u>

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19 SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING - NURSING
 20 EDUCATION WORKSHOPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
 21 Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as
 22 determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses
 23 of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Nursing - Nursing
 24 Education Workshops for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
28	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

29	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$14,325
30	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
31	(C) PROF. FEES	2,000
32	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
33	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
34	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$16,325</u></u>

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36 SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING - ARKANSAS

CENTER FOR NURSING GRANT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Nursing, to be payable from the State Board of Nursing Fund, for a grant for personal services and operating expenses for the Arkansas Center for Nursing for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) ARKANSAS CENTER FOR NURSING GRANT	<u>\$173,000</u>

SECTION 27. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - State Board of Optometry for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item	Class	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
<u>No.</u>	<u>Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(1)	L091C ADH PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION CHIEF I	1	GRADE GS08
(2)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS04
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - State Board of Optometry for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$110,887
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	40,545
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	32,000

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
2	(C) PROF. FEES	35,000
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
4	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$218,432</u></u>

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7 SECTION 29. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF

8 PHARMACY. There is hereby established for the Department of Health -

9 Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following

10 maximum number of regular employees.

11			Maximum Annual
12			Salary Rate
13		Maximum	Fiscal Year
14	Item Class	No. of	
15	No. Code Title	Employees	2025-2026
16	(1) N001N ADH DIRECTOR OF PHARMACY BOARD	1	GRADE MP08
17	(2) L015N ADH ASST PHARMACY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE MP07
18	(3) L107C ADH ASBP PHARMACIST INSPECTOR	3	GRADE MP06
19	(4) G041N ADH ASPB GENERAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS13
20	(5) A023C ADH PHARMACY BOARD CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS10
21	(6) C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
22	(7) D087C DATABASE COORD/BUSINESS LIC. ANALYST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS05
23	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	10	

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25 SECTION 30. EXTRA HELP - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY. There is

26 hereby authorized, for the Department of Health for the 2025-2026 fiscal

27 year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be

28 known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such

29 purposes: four (4) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of

30 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and

31 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate

32 classification.

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34 SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF

35 PHARMACY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health -

36 Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy, to be payable from the cash fund deposited

in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,259,530
(02) EXTRA HELP	30,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	362,617
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	586,985
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	29,120
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	3,000
(06) IMPAIRED PHARMACIST PROGRAM	<u>50,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,321,252</u></u>

SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY - PHARMACY STUDENT LOANS AND SCHOLARSHIPS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grants to colleges of pharmacy in Arkansas for pharmacy student loans and scholarships of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(1) PHARMACY STUDENT LOAN/SCHOLARSHIPS	<u><u>\$400,000</u></u>

SECTION 33. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

			Maximum Annual
			Salary Rate
Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
No.	Code	Title	2025-2026
(1)	X050C	ADH PHYSICAL THERAPY BD EXEC DIR	1 GRADE GS08
(2)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<u>1</u> GRADE GS04
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES			2

SECTION 34. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$118,146
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	42,672
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	89,833
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	8,490
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$259,141</u></u>

SECTION 35. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY - SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for a scholarship program of the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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1	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
2	(01) SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM	<u>\$200,000</u>

SECTION 36. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
13	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,800
14	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	138
15	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
16	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	4,052
17	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
18	(C) PROF. FEES	250
19	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
20	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$6,240</u>

SECTION 37. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS PSYCHOLOGY BOARD. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Arkansas Psychology Board for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

28		Maximum Annual	
29		Maximum	Salary Rate
30	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
31	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
32	(1) L091C ADH PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION CHIEF I	1	GRADE GS08
33	(2) C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS04
34	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

SECTION 38. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS PSYCHOLOGY BOARD.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas Psychology Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$92,890
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	37,177
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	61,540
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,000
(C) PROF. FEES	24,727
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$219,334</u></u>

SECTION 39. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS PSYCHOLOGY BOARD - SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health - Arkansas Psychology Board, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for scholarships for psychology students pursuing training as psychological and neurological technicians for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) PSYCHOLOGY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS	<u><u>\$150,000</u></u>

SECTION 40. REGULAR SALARIES - ARKANSAS SOCIAL WORK LICENSING BOARD. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Maximum Annual

1		Maximum	Salary Rate
2	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
3	No. Code Title	Employees	2025-2026
4	(1) X135C ADH SOCIAL WORK LICENSING BD EXEC DI	1	GRADE GS08
5	(2) C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS04
6	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

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8 SECTION 41. EXTRA HELP - ARKANSAS SOCIAL WORK LICENSING BOARD. There

9 is hereby authorized, for the Department of Health - Arkansas Social Work

10 Licensing Board for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number

11 of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable

12 from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one (1) temporary or part-

13 time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in

14 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this

15 act for the appropriate classification.

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17 SECTION 42. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS SOCIAL WORK LICENSING

18 BOARD. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be

19 payable from the Social Work Licensing Fund, for personal services and

20 operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas Social Work

21 Licensing Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

23	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
24	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
25	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$116,308
26	(02) EXTRA HELP	6,000
27	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	41,609
28	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
29	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	42,000
30	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
31	(C) PROF. FEES	7,000
32	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
33	(E) DATA PROC.	0
34	(05) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>500</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$219,417</u>

SECTION 43. REGULAR SALARIES - BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

			Maximum Annual
			Salary Rate
Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
No.	Code Title	No. of Employees	2025-2026
(1)	L059C ADH ABSLPA DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS08
(2)	C072C ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS04
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

SECTION 44. EXTRA HELP - BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Health - Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one (1) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 45. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$98,930
(02) EXTRA HELP	12,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	39,482

1	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	50,516
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,250
4	(C) PROF. FEES	12,800
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
6	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
7	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$216,978</u></u>

SECTION 46. REGULAR SALARIES - ARKANSAS SPINAL CORD COMMISSION. There is hereby established for the Department of Health - Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

			Maximum Annual
			Salary Rate
Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
No.	Code Title	No. of Employees	2025-2026
(1)	D057C INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER	1	GRADE IT05
(2)	U006U ADH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SPINAL CORD C	1	GRADE GS12
(3)	M013C ADH SPINAL CORD COMN CLIENT SVS ADMI	1	GRADE GS09
(4)	A050C AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
(5)	L098C CERTIFIED VOCATIONAL REHAB COUNSELOR	7	GRADE GS08
(6)	M026C LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER	1	GRADE GS07
(7)	L051C REHABILITATION COUNSELOR	9	GRADE GS06
(8)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
(9)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>3</u>	GRADE GS03
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	25	

SECTION 47. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS SPINAL CORD COMMISSION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>

1	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,235,581
2	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	488,362
3	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	219,888
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,620
6	(C) PROF. FEES	19,065
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(04) LONG TERM ATTENDANT CARE	261,610
10	(05) SPINAL TREATMENT PROGRAM	<u>772,000</u>
11	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,012,126</u></u>

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13 SECTION 48. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS SPINAL CORD
 14 COMMISSION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be
 15 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 16 the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Health - Arkansas
 17 Spinal Cord Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 18 following:

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20	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
22	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$20,000
24	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,000
25	(C) PROF. FEES	5,000
26	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
27	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
28	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$28,000</u></u>

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30 SECTION 49. APPROPRIATION - CASH - ARKANSAS SPINAL CORD COMMISSION.
 31 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Health, to be payable from
 32 the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 33 Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of
 34 Health - Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 35 2026, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$40,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	10,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$50,000</u>

SECTION 50. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS - INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES FOR CONSUMER COMPLAINTS. Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) of the available appropriation in the Professional Fees Line item of this act shall be made available to the board for the purpose of contracting an independent or private investigator for investigative services regarding complaints submitted by consumers.

(a)(1) The Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall contract with an outside investigator as needed to perform investigations and conduct inspections of alleged wrongdoing.

(2) An outside investigator contracted under subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall have expertise or background in the subject matter in which he or she is being contracted to investigate.

(b) The duties of an investigator hired under this section shall include without limitation investigation and inspection of all complaints, as determined by the board, to determine whether a person has:

(1) Practiced his or her profession in such a way as to endanger the general health and welfare of the public; or

(2) Otherwise violated this chapter or rules of the board.

(c)(1) The board shall file a report annually on or before December 1 with the Senate Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs for the committees' review.

(2) The report shall include:

(A) The number of complaints that have been filed;

(B) A list of who has been investigated and the purported

1 violation; and

2 (C) A summary of the findings of each investigation.

3 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,
4 ~~2024~~ 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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6 SECTION 51. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
7 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS
8 STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS - EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. The Arkansas State
9 Board of Dental Examiners is hereby authorized to expend from monies
10 authorized herein, \$15 from each licensed dentist licensed by the State Board
11 of Dental Examiners each year to be paid by the Arkansas State Board of
12 Dental Examiners to 501(c)(3) Arkansas foundations that have healthcare
13 professionals on their board and provide for identification, treatment and
14 monitoring of healthcare professionals who suffer from alcohol or drug abuse
15 problems, in order to promote the public health and safety and to insure the
16 continued availability of skilled and highly trained dental professionals for
17 the benefit of the public.

18 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
19 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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21 SECTION 52. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS
23 STATE MEDICAL BOARD - EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. The State Medical Board is hereby
24 authorized to expend from monies authorized herein, \$30 from each licensed
25 physician licensed by the State Medical Board each year to be paid by the
26 State Medical Board to 501(c)(3) Arkansas foundations that have healthcare
27 professionals on their board and provide for identification, treatment and
28 monitoring of healthcare professionals who suffer from alcohol or drug abuse
29 problems, in order to promote the public health and safety and to insure the
30 continued availability of skilled and highly trained medical professionals
31 for the benefit of the public.

32 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
33 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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35 SECTION 53. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
36 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS

1 STATE BOARD OF NURSING - FUNDING TRANSFER. The Arkansas State Board of
2 Nursing may request a fund transfer in an amount not to exceed one hundred
3 thousand dollars (\$100,000) each fiscal year from the State Board of Nursing
4 Fund to the cash in State Treasury fund as determined by the Chief Fiscal
5 Officer of the State to provide funds for the Student Loan Program
6 appropriation provided herein. Upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of
7 the State, the amount requested shall be transferred on his or her books and
8 those of the State Treasurer and the Auditor of State.

9 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 30,
10 ~~2024~~ 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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12 SECTION 54. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
13 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS
14 BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE - EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. The Arkansas Board of
15 Podiatric Medicine is hereby authorized to expend from monies authorized
16 herein, \$10 from each licensed podiatrist licensed by the Arkansas Board of
17 Podiatric Medicine each year to be paid by the Arkansas Board of Podiatric
18 Medicine to 501(c)(3) Arkansas foundations that have healthcare professionals
19 on their board and provide for identification, treatment and monitoring of
20 healthcare professionals who suffer from alcohol or drug abuse problems, in
21 order to promote the public health and safety and to insure the continued
22 availability of skilled and highly trained podiatric professionals for the
23 benefit of the public.

24 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
25 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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27 SECTION 55. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
28 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
29 ARKANSAS SPINAL CORD COMMISSION - LINE ITEM TRANSFER. Any savings made in the
30 State Appropriation may, after receiving advice and approval of the
31 Department of Finance and Administration, be transferred to the Spinal
32 Treatment Program.

33 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
34 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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36 SECTION 56. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

1 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
2 OF FUNDS. Immediately upon the effective date of this act, the Arkansas
3 State Medical Board shall transfer annually the sum of five hundred thousand
4 dollars (\$500,000), or so much as is available, from the unobligated and
5 unallocated monies remaining in the Arkansas State Medical Board's cash
6 funds, to the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education's
7 Graduate Medical Education Fund to be used exclusively for the Graduate
8 Medical Education Residency Expansion Board appropriation.

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10 SECTION 57. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
11 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
12 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
13 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
14 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
15 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
16 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
17 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
18 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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20 SECTION 58. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
21 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
22 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
23 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
24 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
25 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
26 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
27 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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29 SECTION 59. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
30 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
31 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
32 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2025 is essential to the operation of
33 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
34 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
35 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2025 could work irreparable harm
36 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental

1 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
2 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
3 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2025.

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