

State of Arkansas  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 134

By: Senator G. Baker

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, SUBSTITUTE EXPENSES, AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF THE TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY ACT 926 OF 2011; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE AUDITOR OF STATE - TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Auditor of State, to be payable from the Trial Court Administrative Assistant Fund, for personal services, Trial Court Staff Substitutes expenses, and Trial Court Administrative Assistant expenses by the Trial Court Administrative Assistants of the Circuit Courts which shall be supplemental and in addition to those funds appropriated in Section 2 of Act 926 of 2011 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the sum of .....\$150,000.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND TRANSFER. Immediately upon the effective date of this Act, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of the



State Treasurer and the Auditor of State the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) from the unobligated balances of the Judicial Fine Collection Enhancement Fund to the Trial Court Administrative Assistant Fund for personal services, Trial Court Staff Substitutes expenses, and Trial Court Administrative Assistant expenses.

SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

EMPLOYMENT. In the event that any Trial Court Administrative Assistant funded through Act 926 of 2011 terminates employment for any reason and is eligible for the payment of accumulated annual leave, the employment date for the new employee shall be delayed and the position shall remain vacant for the period of time required to account for the cost of the payment of accumulated annual leave.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

SECTION 4. 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 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that funds provided by the General Assembly for the operations of the Auditor of State are, due to unforeseen circumstances, insufficient for the Auditor of State to continue to provide essential governmental services; that the provisions of this act will provide the necessary monies for the Auditor of State to continue such services; and that a delay in the effective date of this Act could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto.

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