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HOUSE BILL 1055

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC
EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30, 2019; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES
RETIREMENT SYSTEM APPROPRIATION FOR THE
2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the 2018-2019 fiscal year,
the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2018-2019
(1)	U014U	APERS DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE04
(2)	U078U	APERS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(3)	D015N	APERS DIRECTOR OF INFO TECHNOLOGY	1	GRADE IT10
(4)	D030C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE IT07
(5)	D044C	SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
(6)	G042N	APERS CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS14
(7)	A003N	SENIOR INVESTMENT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS14



(8)	N096N APERS ASST DIRECTOR OF FINANCE	1	GRADE GS13
(9)	R003N APERS DIRECTOR OF BENEFITS ADMIN	1	GRADE GS13
(10)	G037N APERS DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS	1	GRADE GS13
(11)	N159N APERS INVESTMENT OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
(12)	A027C ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS11
(13)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
(14)	A034C RETIREMENT SECTION MANAGER	3	GRADE GS09
(15)	A082C ACCOUNTANT II	10	GRADE GS08
(16)	A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR	1	GRADE GS08
(17)	A062C RETIREMENT COORDINATOR	5	GRADE GS08
(18)	R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
(19)	A079C INVESTMENT ANALYST	3	GRADE GS07
(20)	A078C RETIREMENT COUNSELOR	15	GRADE GS07
(21)	P031C MEDIA SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(22)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(23)	A083C RETIREMENT ANALYST	6	GRADE GS06
(24)	X115C SOCIAL SECURITY ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(25)	R033C BENEFITS ANALYST	1	GRADE GS05
(26)	C022C BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05
(27)	A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS05
(28)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	2	GRADE GS04
(29)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	13	GRADE GS04
(30)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>4</u>	GRADE GS03
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	82	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the 2018-2019 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: six (6) 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 3. APPROPRIATION - PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to be payable from the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System

Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,492,518
(02) EXTRA HELP	75,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,221,512
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,607,473
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	42,500
(C) PROF. FEES	10,583,645
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	17,500
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) BENEFITS-NON EMPLOYEE	40,000,000
(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>85,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$142,040,148</u></u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, for payment to beneficiaries by check or wired transfer by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
(01) BENEFITS	<u><u>\$650,000,000</u></u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - STATE POLICE RETIREMENT OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to be payable from the State Police Retirement Fund, for operating expenses of the State Police Retirement System by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$77,610
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	265,950
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) BENEFITS-NON EMPLOYEE	10,000,000
(03) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>25,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$35,343,560</u></u>

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - STATE POLICE RETIREMENT CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, for payment to beneficiaries of the State Police Retirement System by check or wired transfer by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
(01) BENEFITS	<u><u>\$35,000,000</u></u>

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - JUDICIAL RETIREMENT OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to be payable from the Judges Retirement Fund, for operating expenses of the Judicial Retirement System by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$40,510
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	122,879

(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) BENEFITS-NON EMPLOYEE	4,250,000
(03) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>6,250,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$10,663,389</u></u>

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - JUDICIAL RETIREMENT CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, for payment to beneficiaries of the Judicial Retirement System by check or wired transfer by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
(01) BENEFITS	<u><u>\$21,000,000</u></u>

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - APERS PENSION ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to be payable from the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund, for the operational expenses, capital outlay, and professional fees and services relating to the development, acquisition, and implementation of a new APERS Pension Administration System of the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
(01) COMPASS PENSION PROJECT	<u><u>\$21,000,000</u></u>

SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. JUDICIAL RETIREMENT FUND TRANSFERS. A sum not to exceed \$60,050 in the ~~2017-2018~~ 2018-2019 fiscal year may be transferred from the Judges Retirement Fund to the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund for costs incurred by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System in administering the Judicial

Retirement System. Such transfer request shall be made to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and upon his approval, said transfer shall be made on his books and those of the Treasurer of the State and the Auditor of the State.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2017~~ 2018 through June 30, ~~2018~~ 2019.

SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. STATE POLICE RETIREMENT FUND TRANSFERS. A sum not to exceed \$110,687 in the ~~2017-~~ 2018-2019 fiscal year may be transferred from the State Police Retirement Fund to the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund for costs incurred by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System in administering the State Police Retirement System. Such transfer request shall be made to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and upon his approval, said transfer shall be made on his books and those of the Treasurer of the State and the Auditor of the State.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2017~~ 2018 through June 30, ~~2018~~ 2019.

SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXEMPTION FROM PRIOR REVIEW. The Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System is hereby exempted from seeking prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee with regard to transfers between the Benefits line item in the Public Employees Retirement Cash appropriation section and the Benefits-Non Employee line item in the Public Employees Retirement Operations appropriation section which are specifically related to transfers necessitated by the changes in retirees' selection of the method of payment of retirement benefits. All other provisions of Arkansas Code §19-4-522 shall be applicable.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2017~~ 2018 through June 30, ~~2018~~ 2019.

SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SPECIAL

STATE POLICE RETIREMENT FUND TRANSFERS. A sum not to exceed \$50,000 may be transferred from the State Police Retirement Fund to the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund to share in the costs incurred by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System in the purchase and implementation of a new pension administration system, which will be utilized to administer State Police pension transactions for members and retirees. Said transfer shall sunset at the end of fiscal year ~~2018~~ 2019. Such transfer request shall be made to the Chief Fiscal officer of the State, and upon his approval, said transfer shall be made on his books and those of the Treasurer of the State and the Auditor of the State.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2017~~ 2018 through June 30, ~~2018~~ 2019.

SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SPECIAL JUDICIAL RETIREMENT FUND TRANSFERS. A sum not to exceed \$50,000 may be transferred from the Judicial Retirement Fund to the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund to share in the costs incurred by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System in the purchase and implementation of a new pension administration system, which will be utilized to administer Judicial pension transactions for members and retirees. Said transfer shall sunset at the end of fiscal year ~~2018~~ 2019. Such transfer request shall be made to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and upon his approval, said transfer shall be made on his books and those of the Treasurer of State and the Auditor of the State.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2017~~ 2018 through June 30, ~~2018~~ 2019.

SECTION 15. 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 16. 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 17. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective on and after July 1, 2018.

APPROVED: 2/23/18