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A Bill

SENATE BILL 12

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 STATE GAME
AND FISH COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE
30, 2023; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND
FISH COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR THE
2022-2023 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 State Game and Fish Commission for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the
following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2022-2023
(1)	Q249U	AGFC DIRECTOR	1	\$152,638
(2)	Q250U	AGFC CHIEF OF STAFF	1	\$124,275
(3)	Q251U	AGFC DEPUTY DIRECTOR	3	\$122,957
(4)	Q255U	AGFC CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER	1	\$120,265
(5)	Q252U	AGFC VETERINARIAN	1	\$118,228
(6)	Q266U	AGFC IT ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$116,351
(7)	Q254U	AGFC GENERAL COUNSEL	1	\$113,681



(8)	Q253U AGFC BIOSTATISTICIAN	1	\$113,681
(9)	Q257U AGFC DIVISION CHIEF	11	\$106,902
(10)	Q256U AGFC COLONEL	1	\$106,902
(11)	Q265U AGFC SOFTWARE ENGINEER LEAD	1	\$103,265
(12)	Q258U AGFC GIS LEAD	1	\$103,265
(13)	Q355U AGFC MARKETING MANAGER	1	\$96,303
(14)	Q263U AGFC ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	\$96,303
(15)	Q261U AGFC MAJOR	3	\$96,303
(16)	Q260U AGFC DIVISION ASST CHIEF	16	\$96,303
(17)	Q271U AGFC SENIOR GIS ANALYST	1	\$89,744
(18)	Q270U AGFC CONSERVATION PROGRAM MANAGER	1	\$89,744
(19)	Q269U AGFC ATTORNEY	2	\$89,744
(20)	Q268U AGFC ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	1	\$89,744
(21)	Q267U AGFC CAPTAIN	14	\$89,744
(22)	Q283U AGFC SENIOR SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	2	\$86,609
(23)	Q281U AGFC NETWORK SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	\$86,609
(24)	Q280U AGFC HATCHERY MANAGER	5	\$86,609
(25)	Q279U AGFC GIS ANALYST	3	\$86,609
(26)	Q278U AGFC OPERATIONS & FACILITY MANAGER	3	\$86,609
(27)	Q277U AGFC NATURE CENTER MANAGER	5	\$86,609
(28)	Q276U AGFC LIEUTENANT	16	\$86,609
(29)	Q275U AGFC BIOLOGIST SUPERVISOR	23	\$86,609
(30)	Q274U AGFC BIOLOGIST PROGRAM SPECIALIST	9	\$86,609
(31)	Q284U AGFC SERGEANT	25	\$83,571
(32)	Q354U AGFC ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	\$80,624
(33)	Q292U AGFC PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	\$80,624
(34)	Q291U AGFC GRANTS MANAGER	1	\$80,624
(35)	Q290U AGFC ASSISTANT HATCHERY MANAGER	5	\$80,624
(36)	Q289U AGFC LICENSING MANAGER	1	\$80,624
(37)	Q288U AGFC CORPORAL	125	\$80,624
(38)	Q287U AGFC BIOLOGIST SPECIALIST	54	\$80,624
(39)	Q286U AGFC BIOLOGIST - ASST REGIONAL MANAGER	10	\$80,624
(40)	Q285U AGFC CONSTRUCTION MANAGER	1	\$80,624
(41)	Q299U AGFC WILDLIFE OFFICER 1ST CLASS	1	\$75,004
(42)	Q298U AGFC PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR	1	\$75,004
(43)	Q297U AGFC GRANTS COORDINATOR	2	\$75,004

(44)	Q296U AGFC EDUCATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR	7	\$75,004
(45)	Q294U AGFC BIOLOGIST	27	\$75,004
(46)	Q353U AGFC EDUCATION FACILITY MANAGER	5	\$71,432
(47)	Q309U AGFC WILDLIFE OFFICER	1	\$71,432
(48)	Q308U AGFC WEBSITE DEVELOPER	2	\$71,432
(49)	Q307U AGFC SURVEYOR	2	\$71,432
(50)	Q306U AGFC REAL ESTATE OFFICER	1	\$71,432
(51)	Q305U AGFC FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	2	\$71,432
(52)	Q304U AGFC CENTRAL WAREHOUSE OPERATIONS MGR	1	\$71,432
(53)	Q303U AGFC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	2	\$71,432
(54)	Q302U AGFC EDUCATION PROGRAM SPECIALIST	26	\$71,432
(55)	Q301U AGFC ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	2	\$71,432
(56)	Q300U AGFC LICENSING SUPERVISOR	2	\$71,432
(57)	Q357U AGFC ACCOUNTANT II	2	\$68,031
(58)	Q316U AGFC PRODUCTION ARTIST	1	\$68,031
(59)	Q315U AGFC MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR	2	\$68,031
(60)	Q314U AGFC LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	\$68,031
(61)	Q313U AGFC HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	\$68,031
(62)	Q312U AGFC EDITOR	3	\$68,031
(63)	Q311U AGFC COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST	3	\$68,031
(64)	Q310U AGFC SENIOR TECHNICIAN	15	\$68,031
(65)	Q365U AGFC SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	\$67,289
(66)	Q322U AGFC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR	1	\$64,791
(67)	Q321U AGFC SKILLED TRADES SUPERVISOR	1	\$64,791
(68)	Q320U AGFC CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR	8	\$64,791
(69)	Q319U AGFC COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS SUPERVISOR	1	\$64,791
(70)	Q318U AGFC REGIONAL OFFICE MANAGER	1	\$64,791
(71)	Q356U AGFC GIS TECHNICIAN	1	\$62,140
(72)	Q337U AGFC CONSERVATION PROGRAM TECHNICIAN	47	\$61,706
(73)	Q327U AGFC AUTO/DIESEL MECHANIC SUPERVISOR	1	\$61,706
(74)	Q326U AGFC SKILLED TRADESMAN	3	\$61,706
(75)	Q325U AGFC MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	2	\$61,706
(76)	Q324U AGFC FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	6	\$61,706
(77)	Q323U AGFC ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	3	\$61,706
(78)	Q364U AGFC SOFTWARE SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	\$60,288
(79)	Q333U AGFC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST	10	\$58,767

(80)	Q332U AGFC FOOD PREPARATION MANAGER	1	\$58,767
(81)	Q331U AGFC FIRING RANGE SPECIALIST	1	\$58,767
(82)	Q330U AGFC COMMERCIAL GRAPHIC ARTIST	2	\$58,767
(83)	Q329U AGFC CALIBRATION TECHNICIAN	2	\$58,767
(84)	Q328U AGFC ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE COORDINATOR	17	\$58,767
(85)	Q336U AGFC MULTI-MEDIA SPECIALIST	1	\$55,969
(86)	Q335U AGFC MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	6	\$55,969
(87)	Q334U AGFC INVENTORY CONTROL MANAGER	2	\$55,969
(88)	Q340U AGFC FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	6	\$53,304
(89)	Q339U AGFC ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	29	\$53,304
(90)	Q342U AGFC PRINTER	1	\$50,131
(91)	Q341U AGFC FOOD PREPARATION SUPERVISOR	1	\$50,131
(92)	Q343U AGFC LICENSING SPECIALIST	8	\$47,140
(93)	Q344U AGFC ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	1	\$44,319
(94)	Q345U AGFC MAIL SERVICES SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	\$39,155
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	634	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission for the 2022-2023 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 hundred eighty-five (185) 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 - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, to be payable from the Game Protection Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$39,586,383
(02) EXTRA HELP	1,312,500

(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	12,957,482
(04)	OVERTIME	250,000
(05)	UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	1,000,000
(06)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	35,471,984
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	450,535
	(C) PROF. FEES	5,309,003
	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	12,885,000
	(E) DATA PROC.	0
(07)	GAME AND FISH GRANTS	8,000,000
(08)	CONSTRUCTION	<u>18,000,000</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$135,222,887</u></u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - GAS LEASE REVENUES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, to be payable from the Game Protection Fund, for maintenance and general operations, capital projects, acquisition of land and conservation easements, grants, and expenses associated with Natural Disaster Response of the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR	
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>	
(01)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$350,000
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
	(C) PROF. FEES	350,000
	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	250,000
	(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02)	GAS LEASE GRANTS	50,000
(03)	NATURAL DISASTER RESPONSE	<u>3,000,000</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,000,000</u></u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CONSERVATION PARTNERS PROGRAM GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, to be payable from the Game Protection Fund, for grants to conservation partners, or other eligible entities for operating, equipment, and maintenance expenses

associated with addressing statewide hunger needs of the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023
(01) CONSERVATION PARTNERS PROGRAM GRANTS	<u>\$150,000</u>

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - BLACK RIVER SETTLEMENT FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, to be payable from the Game Protection Fund, for all expenses associated with the mitigation to the hardwood timber destruction in the Wildlife Management Area, inclusive of Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching of the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023
(01) RESTORATION OF BLACK RIVER WMA EXPENSES	<u>\$13,250,000</u>

SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PAYMENT OF REWARDS. Payment of rewards shall be from the Game Protection Fund from the Commission's Maintenance and General Operation appropriation as herein appropriated in the Operating Expenses line item of the Operations appropriation.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~ 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

SECTION 8. 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 the Operations appropriation to any other line item authorized in the Operations appropriation and the Agency is authorized to

transfer appropriation from any line item authorized in the Gas Lease Revenues appropriation to any other line item authorized in the same section.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~ 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

SECTION 9. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission is hereby authorized to purchase from the Maintenance & General Operation Classifications in the Operations Appropriation provided by this Act for promotional items in an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), as authorized by the Director of the Commission to meet fish and wildlife conservations and education needs.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2021~~ 2022 through June 30, ~~2022~~ 2023.

SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

ENFORCEMENT SALARIES. In order to allow the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission to seek and employ qualified law enforcement officers and maintain sustainable staffing levels, the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission may exceed the maximum annual salary rate by no more than twenty percent (20%) for the following positions:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Title</u>
<u>0256U</u>	<u>AGFC COLONEL</u>
<u>0261U</u>	<u>AGFC MAJOR</u>
<u>0267U</u>	<u>AGFC CAPTAIN</u>
<u>0276U</u>	<u>AGFC LIEUTENANT</u>
<u>0284U</u>	<u>AGFC SERGEANT</u>
<u>0288U</u>	<u>AGFC CORPORAL</u>
<u>0299U</u>	<u>AGFC WILDLIFE OFFICER 1ST CLASS</u>
<u>0309U</u>	<u>AGFC WILDLIFE OFFICER</u>

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2022,

through June 30, 2023.

SECTION 11. 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 12. 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 13. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective on and after July 1, 2022.

/s/ Joint Budget Committee

APPROVED: 3/8/22