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SENATE BILL 55

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
TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES - ARKANSAS
GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSFORMATION AND SHARED SERVICES -
ARKANSAS GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS
OFFICE APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025
FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Department of Transformation and Shared Services - Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2024-2025
(1)	D007N	TSS STATE GEOGRAPHIC INFO OFFICER	1	GRADE IT10
(2)	D008C	TSS GIS LEAD	1	GRADE IT08
(3)	D029C	SENIOR GIS ANALYST	4	GRADE IT07

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(4) D040C GIS ANALYST	2	GRADE IT06
(5) D023C TSS STATE SYSTEMS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT06
(6) B016N TSS LAND SURVEY STATE SURVEYOR	1	GRADE GS12
(7) B074C SURVEYOR	1	GRADE GS09
(8) C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
(9) C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS03
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	13	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Transformation and Shared Services - Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office for the 2024-2025 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 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Transformation and Shared Services, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Transformation and Shared Services - Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$913,435
(02) EXTRA HELP	6,463
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	308,986
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	470,742
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	14,350
(C) PROF. FEES	107,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,820,976</u></u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - GEOSTOR AND FRAMEWORK. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Transformation and Shared Services - Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office, to be payable from the Geographic Information Systems Fund, to carry out the duties, responsibilities, and authority of the Arkansas State Land Information Board as described by Arkansas Code 15-21-504; to create, operate, and maintain Geostor, the Arkansas Spatial Data Infrastructure; and to create, update, maintain, and disseminate framework spatial data as defined by Arkansas Code 15-21-502 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2024-2025
(01) GEOSTOR & FRAMEWORK	<u>\$1,200,000</u>

SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF CARRY FORWARD. Any unexpended balance of funds remaining on June 30 of each fiscal year in the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account for the Arkansas Geographic Information Office, shall be transferred to the Geographic Information Systems Fund to be used for operating and maintaining the Arkansas Spatial Data Infrastructure, creating, updating, maintaining and disseminating framework spatial data as defined by Arkansas Code §15-21-502.

- (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2024~~ 2025 the Agency shall by written statement set forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;
- (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward, the program name or line item, the funding source of the appropriation and a copy of the written request set forth in (1) above;
- (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written

statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose, etc. for which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30) days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee; and

(4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include all information obtained in item (3) above in the biennial budget manuals and/or a statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

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

SECTION 6. 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 7. 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 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in

the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 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 July 1, 2024.

APPROVED: 4/19/24