

State of Arkansas  
95th General Assembly  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 23

By: Joint Budget Committee

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE  
AND DISABILITY COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE AND  
DISABILITY COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR  
THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	U101U	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
(2)	G028N	JDDC DEPUTY EXEC DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS12
(3)	A105C	JDDC FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
(4)	X187C	INVESTIGATOR	1	GRADE GS07
(5)	G230C	JDDC PARALEGAL	1	GRADE GS06
(6)	C092C	JDDC LEGAL/ADMIN SECRETARY	1	GRADE GS05
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	6	



SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$426,018
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	145,376
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	138,150
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	26,875
(C) PROF. FEES	72,740
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) INVESTIGATOR EXPENSES	<u>28,080</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$837,239</u></u>

SECTION 3. 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 4. 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 5. 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, 2025 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, 2025 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, 2025.

**APPROVED: 2/25/25**