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HOUSE BILL 1088

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 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 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 Finance and Administration - Child Support Enforcement for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum	Maximum Annual
			No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(1)	N034N	DFA OCSE ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE SE02
(2)	D005N	DFA IT TECHNICAL SPECIALIST	2	GRADE IT11
(3)	D002C	DFA OIS ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE IT10
(4)	A003C	DFA REVENUE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS14



(5)	A010C AGENCY CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE GS13
(6)	G225C DFA OCSE FIELD OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS13
(7)	G025C ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	5	GRADE GS12
(8)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	46	GRADE GS11
(9)	G223C DFA OCSE DIVISION MANAGER	2	GRADE GS10
(10)	G226C DFA OCSE PROGRAM MANAGER	2	GRADE GS10
(11)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS09
(12)	G224C DFA OCSE FIELD MANAGER	6	GRADE GS09
(13)	G227C DFA OCSE PROGRAM SUPERVISOR	17	GRADE GS08
(14)	E026C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
(15)	A060C SENIOR AUDITOR	1	GRADE GS08
(16)	A081C AUDITOR	2	GRADE GS07
(17)	M029C CHILD SUPPORT SUPERVISOR II	18	GRADE GS07
(18)	E048C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS07
(19)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(20)	M052C CHILD SUPPORT SUPERVISOR I	54	GRADE GS06
(21)	A074C FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	4	GRADE GS06
(22)	R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
(23)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
(24)	E046C TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	3	GRADE GS06
(25)	M067C CHILD SUPPORT COORDINATOR	12	GRADE GS05
(26)	M068C CHILD SUPPORT SPECIALIST	279	GRADE GS05
(27)	A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	11	GRADE GS05
(28)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
(29)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS04
(30)	C046C LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	63	GRADE GS04
(31)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	3	GRADE GS03
(32)	C059C DFA SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE	<u>230</u>	GRADE GS03
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	775	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Finance and Administration - Child Support Enforcement for the 2025-2026 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: fifteen (15) 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 Finance and Administration, to be payable from the Child Support Enforcement Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Finance and Administration - Child Support Enforcement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$34,887,633
(02) EXTRA HELP	100,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	14,159,618
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	14,535,654
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000
(C) PROF. FEES	250,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) DATA PROCESSING AND EQUIPMENT EXPENSE	<u>13,848,483</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$77,906,388</u></u>

SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXTRA HELP EXEMPTION. Extra Help positions authorized herein are specifically exempt from limitation of hours, either by act or regulation. Provided, however, when a temporary or part-time employee is employed by the Department of Finance and Administration - Office of Child Support Enforcement for a period of time exceeding seven (7) months, a report of such shall be filed with the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

SECTION 5. 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 6. 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 7. 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: 2/13/25