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HOUSE BILL 1011

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
CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- DIVISION OF CORRECTION APPROPRIATION
FOR THE 2026-2027 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby
established for the Department of Corrections for the 2026-2027 fiscal year,
the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum	Maximum Annual
			No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2026-2027
(1)	ESE03A	SECRETARY OF CORRECTIONS	1	GRADE EXE04
(2)	EEX10A	CHIEF OF STAFF II	1	GRADE EXE02
(3)	FAC09C	CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER II	1	GRADE SPC10
(4)	LAT08C	CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL I	1	GRADE SPC10
(5)	HDH03C	HR ADMINISTRATOR II	1	GRADE SPC08
(6)	LAT05P	ATTORNEY III	4	GRADE SPC08



(7)	CPR01C CHIEF OF COMMUNICATIONS I	1	GRADE SPC06
(8)	FAC10C CONTROLLER	1	GRADE SPC06
(9)	SCP05C CORRECTIONS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR II	5	GRADE SPC06
(10)	HDH06C HR MANAGER	1	GRADE SPC04
(11)	FAC05P ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	1	GRADE SPC04
(12)	FAC01P ACCOUNTANT I	2	GRADE SPC01
(13)	SCM02P LICENSED ASSOCIATE COUNSELOR	1	GRADE SPC01
(14)	SCP09C CORRECTIONS PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS10
(15)	PPR03C PROCUREMENT MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS10
(16)	CTR03C TRAINING MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS10
(17)	IIV01C INVESTIGATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS09
(18)	SCP11P CORRECTIONS PROGRAM SUPV/EXPERT	3	GRADE SGS08
(19)	HDH08P HR SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	2	GRADE SGS08
(20)	CTR04P TRAINING SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	1	GRADE SGS08
(21)	FBU01P BUDGET ANALYST	1	GRADE SGS07
(22)	SCP08P CORRECTIONS PROGRAM COORDINATOR	6	GRADE SGS07
(23)	PDA01P DATA/RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE SGS07
(24)	FFS05P FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	9	GRADE SGS07
(25)	HDH05P HR COORDINATOR	3	GRADE SGS07
(26)	PPR02P PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SGS07
(27)	CPR05P PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SGS07
(28)	SCP10P CORRECTIONS PROGRAM SPECIALIST	10	GRADE SGS06
(29)	PHS07P HEALTH PROGRAM SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS06
(30)	HDH04P HR ANALYST	7	GRADE SGS06
(31)	CPR07P PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS06
(32)	SCM09P SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SPECIALIST	3	GRADE SGS06
(33)	PAS13C POLICY COORDINATOR	3	GRADE SGS05
(34)	PAS01P ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	8	GRADE SGS05
(35)	PDA02P DATA/RESEARCH SPECIALIST	4	GRADE SGS05
(36)	TIW04P INVENTORY SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	4	GRADE SGS05
(37)	CME04P MEDIA SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS05
(38)	PPR04P PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST	7	GRADE SGS05
(39)	PAS02P ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	9	GRADE SGS04
(40)	FFS04P FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	39	GRADE SGS04
(41)	FGM01P GRANTS ANALYST	1	GRADE SGS04
(42)	HDH07P HR SPECIALIST	3	GRADE SGS04

(43)	CME05P MEDIA TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE SGS04
(44)	TIW03P INVENTORY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS03
(45)	PAS03P ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	9	GRADE SGS02
(46)	MPS04P PSYCHOLOGIST II	1	GRADE MED09
(47)	SCO04C CORRECTIONS MAJOR	1	GRADE LES07
(48)	SCO01C CORRECTIONS CAPTAIN	1	GRADE LES06
(49)	SPS04P LAW ENF TRAINING SUPV/EXPERT	1	GRADE LES06
(50)	SIA20C INTERNAL AFFAIRS MANAGER	1	GRADE LES05
(51)	SCO06P CORRECTIONS SERGEANT	1	GRADE LES04
(52)	SIA21P INTERNAL AFFAIRS SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	1	GRADE LES04
(53)	SPS03P LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING OFFICER	6	GRADE LES04
(54)	SCO02P CORRECTIONS CORPORAL	52	GRADE LES03
(55)	SIA19P INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATOR	6	GRADE LES03
(56)	IIA02C CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER II	1	GRADE IST12
(57)	IIP03P IT SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE IST10
(58)	IIE05C IT SECURITY MANAGER	1	GRADE IST09
(59)	IDN02P DATA ANALYST SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	1	GRADE IST09
(60)	IIS06P IT INFRASTRUCTURE COORDINATOR	4	GRADE IST08
(61)	IDM02P DATABASE ANALYST	4	GRADE IST07
(62)	IIS04P IT INFRASTRUCTURE ANALYST	5	GRADE IST06
(63)	IUS05P USER SUPPORT SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	1	GRADE IST06
(64)	IDM03P DATABASE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IST05
(65)	IIS09P IT INFRASTRUCTURE SPECIALIST	3	GRADE IST04
(66)	IUS01P USER SUPPORT ANALYST	6	GRADE IST04
(67)	IUS04P USER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	14	GRADE IST02
(68)	CTR02P TRAINER	5	GRADE SGS07
(69)	PPR05P PROCUREMENT SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	1	GRADE SGS08
(70)	SCP06C CORRECTIONS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	<u>1</u>	GRADE SPC09
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	285	

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Shared Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$12,916,404
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	4,884,331
(03) OVERTIME	100,000
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	15,858,565
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	210,408
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	250,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) MEDICAL CONTRACTS	<u>147,574,292</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$181,794,000</u>

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the County Jail Reimbursement Fund, for reimbursement to counties housing state inmates of the Department of Corrections - County Jail Reimbursement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$34,800,000</u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - ADC SEX OFFENDERS ASSESSMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the Sex Offenders Registration Fund, for operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - ADC Sex Offenders Assessment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$50,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	120,000

(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$170,000</u></u>

SECTION 5. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2026-2027
(1)	SCP07C	CORRECTIONS DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE EXE01
(2)	EEX14A	CORRECTIONS CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SPC10
(3)	SCP06C	CORRECTIONS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SPC09
(4)	LAT05P	ATTORNEY III	1	GRADE SPC08
(5)	SCP05C	CORRECTIONS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR II	2	GRADE SPC06
(6)	SCP04C	CORRECTIONS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR I	1	GRADE SPC05
(7)	LAT04P	ATTORNEY II	1	GRADE SPC05
(8)	SEN01P	ENGINEER	1	GRADE SPC03
(9)	SCM03P	LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER	11	GRADE SPC03
(10)	SCM05P	LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR	2	GRADE SPC03
(11)	FAU04P	AUDITOR II	1	GRADE SPC02
(12)	SCM04P	LICENSED MASTER SOCIAL WORKER	16	GRADE SPC02
(13)	SCM06P	LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER	4	GRADE SPC01
(14)	SCP09C	CORRECTIONS PROGRAM MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS10
(15)	TAG02C	FARM MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS10
(16)	TCO03P	CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGER	6	GRADE SGS08
(17)	TCO04P	CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	2	GRADE SGS08
(18)	SCP11P	CORRECTIONS PROGRAM SUPV/EXPERT	14	GRADE SGS08
(19)	TAG03P	FARM SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	2	GRADE SGS08
(20)	SCM10P	SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SUPV/EXPERT	1	GRADE SGS08
(21)	TMA02C	MAINTENANCE MANAGER	1	GRADE SGS07
(22)	PAS08I	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	3	GRADE SGS07
(23)	SCP08P	CORRECTIONS PROGRAM COORDINATOR	88	GRADE SGS07
(24)	PDA01P	DATA/RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE SGS07

(25)	HDH05P HR COORDINATOR	20	GRADE SGS07
(26)	IIV05P INVESTIGATOR SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	2	GRADE SGS07
(27)	TST02P LICENSED TRADESMAN	7	GRADE SGS07
(28)	PPR02P PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE SGS07
(29)	SCM08P SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER COORDINATOR	18	GRADE SGS07
(30)	SCM01I CHAPLAIN	31	GRADE SGS06
(31)	ILS03I LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS06
(32)	TCO02P CONSTRUCTION PROJECT COORDINATOR	17	GRADE SGS06
(33)	SCP10P CORRECTIONS PROGRAM SPECIALIST	248	GRADE SGS06
(34)	SIA10P CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE ANALYST	2	GRADE SGS06
(35)	TAG01P FARM COORDINATOR	8	GRADE SGS06
(36)	HDH04P HR ANALYST	5	GRADE SGS06
(37)	SCP16P INMATE HEARING OFFICER	16	GRADE SGS06
(38)	ELI01P LIBRARIAN	1	GRADE SGS06
(39)	TMA04P MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	11	GRADE SGS06
(40)	PPR01P PROCUREMENT ANALYST	17	GRADE SGS06
(41)	PAS15P RECORDS SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	12	GRADE SGS06
(42)	SCM09P SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SPECIALIST	7	GRADE SGS06
(43)	PAS01P ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	12	GRADE SGS05
(44)	SCP15P INMATE GRIEVANCE COORDINATOR	20	GRADE SGS05
(45)	TIW04P INVENTORY SUPERVISOR/EXPERT	1	GRADE SGS05
(46)	TMA01P MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR	22	GRADE SGS05
(47)	PPR04P PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE SGS05
(48)	PAS14P RECORDS COORDINATOR	21	GRADE SGS05
(49)	SCP03I COMMISSARY COORDINATOR	29	GRADE SGS04
(50)	PAS02P ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	47	GRADE SGS04
(51)	PAG06P AGRICULTURE UNIT COORDINATOR	36	GRADE SGS04
(52)	FFS04P FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	25	GRADE SGS04
(53)	HDH07P HR SPECIALIST	20	GRADE SGS04
(54)	CMA03P MARKETING SPECIALIST	4	GRADE SGS04
(55)	TST07P TRADES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS04
(56)	SCP01I ACCREDITATION SPECIALIST	14	GRADE SGS03
(57)	TIW03P INVENTORY SPECIALIST	3	GRADE SGS03
(58)	TMA05P MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	24	GRADE SGS03
(59)	PAS03P ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	193	GRADE SGS02
(60)	MPS04P PSYCHOLOGIST II	2	GRADE MED09

(61)	MNU05C NURSING ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE MED08
(62)	MPS03P PSYCHOLOGIST I	11	GRADE MED08
(63)	MNU06P REGISTERED NURSE	1	GRADE MED05
(64)	MNU02P LIC PRACTICAL NURSE SUPV/EXPERT	1	GRADE MED03
(65)	MPS02P PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINER	2	GRADE MED03
(66)	SCP22C WARDEN II	6	GRADE LES11
(67)	SCP21C WARDEN I	9	GRADE LES10
(68)	SCP13C DEPUTY WARDEN II	26	GRADE LES09
(69)	SCP12C DEPUTY WARDEN I	6	GRADE LES08
(70)	SCO04C CORRECTIONS MAJOR	30	GRADE LES07
(71)	SCO01C CORRECTIONS CAPTAIN	60	GRADE LES06
(72)	SCO03C CORRECTIONS LIEUTENANT	217	GRADE LES05
(73)	SCO06P CORRECTIONS SERGEANT	884	GRADE LES04
(74)	SCO02P CORRECTIONS CORPORAL	2,481	GRADE LES03
(75)	SCO05P CORRECTIONS OFFICER	259	GRADE LES02
(76)	FFS06P MEDICAL BILLING SPECIALIST	1	GRADE SGS05
(77)	IUS04P USER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IST02
(78)	TIW01P INVENTORY COORDINATOR	<u>1</u>	GRADE SGS04
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	5,060	

SECTION 6. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction for the 2026-2027 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 seventy (170) 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 7. APPROPRIATION - INMATE CARE & CUSTODY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the Division of Correction Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Inmate Care & Custody for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR
	2026-2027
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$219,414,981
(02) EXTRA HELP	100,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	92,960,915
(04) OVERTIME	15,095,443
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	76,147,853
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	156,098
(C) PROF. FEES	658,224
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	749,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(06) JAIL CONTRACTS	1,533,000
(07) ENERGY SAVINGS & EFFICIENCIES	<u>1,431,465</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$408,246,979</u>

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - INMATE WELFARE PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Inmate Welfare Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR
	2026-2027
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$985,130
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	465,289
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	18,793,474
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	70,242
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	4,940,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$25,254,135</u>

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - WORK RELEASE PROGRAM. There is hereby

appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses and debt service of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Work Release Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$5,394,120
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	104,150
(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	2,427,590
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) DEBT SERVICE	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$8,025,860</u></u>

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - PRISON INDUSTRY PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the Division of Correction Prison Industry Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Prison Industry Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,351,787
(02) EXTRA HELP	10,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,091,661
(04) OVERTIME	8,000
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	7,905,213
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	41,280
(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	850,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>

TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED \$12,357,941

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - FARM OPERATIONS PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the Division of Correction Farm Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Farm Operations Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,871,466
(02) EXTRA HELP	10,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,307,018
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	12,900,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	53,010
(C) PROF. FEES	138,354
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	2,000,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) PURCHASE CATTLE/MEAT	<u>650,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$19,929,848</u>

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - NON-TAX REVENUE RECEIPTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Non-Tax Revenue Receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$2,633,932
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	61,558
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	310,000

(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) CONSTRUCTION	<u>1,870,200</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$4,875,690</u></u>

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - FIRE STATION - PROTECTION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Fire Station - Protection for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$25,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$25,000</u></u>

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - PAWS IN PRISON. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Paws In Prison for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) PAWS IN PRISON	<u><u>\$150,000</u></u>

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - MEDICAL MONETARY SANCTIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for comprehensive inmate/offender health services of

the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction - Medical Monetary Sanctions for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) MEDICAL MONETARY SANCTIONS	<u>\$5,000,000</u>

SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION WITHIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. The Department of Corrections is hereby authorized to transfer appropriation between and/or among the various capital improvements/construction projects authorized by the General Assembly. Such transfers may be made only after approval by the Governor and after prior approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. Such authorization shall in no way mean that the total amount of funds or appropriations for capital improvement/construction projects be greater than that provided by the General Assembly for the Department of Corrections.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Corrections authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 17. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

REALLOCATION OF RESOURCES. Upon determination by the Board of Corrections, at the request of the Secretary of Corrections, that a reallocation of resources within the Division of Community Correction and Division of Correction is necessary for the efficient and effective operation of the department, the Board, with approval of the Governor and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, shall have the authority to instruct the Department Secretary, to request from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, a transfer of positions, programs, funds, appropriations, and line-item appropriations within or between existing and newly created divisions, offices, sections, or units of the department. If it is determined that the requested transfer should be made, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall then initiate the necessary transfer documents to reflect the transfers upon the fiscal records of the State Treasurer, the State Auditor, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and the Department of Corrections Divisions of Correction and Community Correction. Provided, however, that the Department Secretary shall be limited to submitting no more than two requests, encompassing a single purpose listed in this section, during any fiscal year per division. Transfer authority shall further be limited to no more than five percent (5%) of the total General Revenue and Special Revenue appropriation, funding, and positions specific to each division, office, section or unit from which funds are transferred. ~~However, there shall be no fund transfers to or from the County Jail Reimbursement Fund.~~ A Reallocation of Resources Transfer shall be limited to the following specific purposes:

- a) Costs to open and operate temporary beds;
- b) Payment of Debt Service;
- c) Payment of Overtime Expenses;
- d) Unanticipated increases for medical or private prison contracts;
- e) Construction/renovation/equipping of new beds;
- f) Deficits in Farm or Industry Program;
- g) Losses not covered by insurance proceeds;
- h) Costs of personnel for critical services necessary to carry out the mission of the agency.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Corrections Divisions of Correction and Community Correction may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Board of Corrections authorizing broad powers under the Reallocation of Resources provisions herein. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. HOLIDAY COMPENSATION. The Department of Corrections is authorized to pay employees for hours of unused holidays in the employee's holiday account. Payments of unused Holiday hours must be processed on or before June 1st in each fiscal year. Employees terminating employment from the Department of Corrections will be eligible for all holiday pay accrued. This request is contingent on approval by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State after the Secretary of the Department of Corrections has verified that sufficient revenues are available to make such payments to employees who have served in the following classifications, with the exception that those employees wishing to accrue banked hours be allowed the option to bank unused holiday hours in the employee's holiday account, not to exceed one-hundred fifty (150) hours:

Class

<u>Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Grade</u>
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SCO04C CORRECTIONS MAJOR	GRADE LES07
SCO01C CORRECTIONS CAPTAIN	GRADE LES06
SCO03C CORRECTIONS LIEUTENANT	GRADE LES05
SCO06P CORRECTIONS SERGEANT	GRADE LES04
SCO02P CORRECTIONS CORPORAL	GRADE LES03
SCO05P CORRECTIONS OFFICER	GRADE LES02

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 19. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION REPORT. The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall prepare and submit to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee a report reflecting the amount of appropriation and funding necessary for the Department of Corrections to sufficiently budget for the expenditure of payments to employees for all Holiday Liability, GAP Time Liability, Overtime, and Hazardous Duty Compensation incurred, including the current balances of said liabilities. This report shall be included in the summary budget information manual submitted during the biennial budget process.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 20. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FUND YEAR-END FUND BALANCE CARRY FORWARD. Notwithstanding any law pertaining to the transfer of year-end fund balances or any law to the contrary, any funds which remain in the County Jail Reimbursement Fund at the end of a fiscal year shall remain in the County Jail Reimbursement Fund and made available to fund appropriations authorized by law payable from the County Jail Reimbursement Fund for the following fiscal year.

Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

(1) Prior to June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026 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 from the first fiscal year to the second fiscal year 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 from the first fiscal year to the second fiscal year, the program name or line item, the funding source of that 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/Joint Budget Committee; and
- (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include all information obtained in item (3) above in the 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, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 21. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. REFUND TO EXPENDITURE. The proceeds from the sale of feeder cattle by the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction shall be deposited into the State Treasury as a refund to expenditure to the credit of the appropriation available to the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction for the "Purchase Cattle/Meat" line item.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 22. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. USE OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION APPROPRIATION AND SALVAGED MATERIALS CONSTRUCTION. The Department of Corrections - Division of Correction is hereby authorized

to utilize Maintenance and General Operation Appropriation in conjunction with surplus and/or salvageable materials for the purpose of implementing construction projects to benefit the Department and its various programs. Before such projects may be undertaken, a Method of Finance must be submitted for prior review and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, and review and approval by the Department of Finance and Administration and the Building Authority Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Corrections authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 23. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SPECIAL REVENUE/CASH FUNDS TRANSFER. The Department of Corrections is authorized to transfer funds from various Special Revenue and Cash Funds into the Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account in order to adjust to the budget needs upon prior approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee and approval of the Board of Corrections and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of

appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Corrections may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Corrections authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 24. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. NEW FACILITIES. If it is found that contracting for the operation of new facilities is economically beneficial to the State of Arkansas, the Department of Corrections may, after receiving approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer, and seeking prior review and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, transfer from any line item appropriation contained in the Inmate Care & Custody appropriation of this Act into the Professional Fees and Services line item contained in the Inmate Care & Custody appropriation of this Act to operate new facilities.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Corrections may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Corrections

authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 25. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

APPROPRIATION TRANSFER FOR CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING. The Department of Corrections is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations between any line items authorized herein but only for the purpose of financing construction or equipment for a facility of the department. Any transfers authorized by this section shall require the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State after prior review and approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Corrections may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Corrections authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 26. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION AND FUNDS TO THE COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FUND. If any savings of general revenue appropriation and funds accrue during the ~~2025-~~ 2026-2027 fiscal year in the operations of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction & Community Correction, the Secretary of the Department of Corrections may request a transfer of appropriation and funds from any line item appropriation to the County Jail Reimbursement Fund in order to meet obligations to counties for housing state inmates. Such transfer request shall be made upon the approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and prior review and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 27. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF FUNDS. The Arkansas Department of Corrections shall provide funding each year in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney who will be assigned to handle the prosecution of offenses occurring at the Arkansas Department of Corrections. Upon request by the Auditor of the State, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer an amount not to exceed \$100,000 from an account designated by the Secretary of the Department of Corrections to the State Central Services Fund as a direct revenue to fund a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney who will be assigned to handle the prosecution of offenses occurring at the Arkansas Department of Corrections.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 28. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SHARED SERVICES. (a)(1) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may create a Shared Services paying account on his or her books and on the books of the Treasurer

of State and the Auditor of State for the payment of personal services and operating expenses in the Shared Services Paying Account Appropriation by the Department of Corrections.

(2) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall direct the transfer of funds and appropriations to the Shared Services Paying Account appropriation section of this act on the books of the Treasurer of State, the Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

(3) The transfer authority provided to the department in subdivision (a)(2) of this section may be used to make transfers only within the department's appropriation act or between other appropriation acts authorized for the department.

(4) The provisions of this section shall be in effect from the date of passage through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 29. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD - GENERAL REVENUE YEAR END FUND BALANCE. (a) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall cause to be transferred on his or her books and those of the State Treasurer and Auditor of State the balance of General Revenue funds remaining in the Division of Correction Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account on June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027 into a sub-fund created within the Division of Correction Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account to be used for County Jail Reimbursement or maintenance needs within the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction. The balance of General Revenue in the sub-fund of the Division of Correction Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account at the beginning of any fiscal year shall not exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000). For this reason, any general revenue which would cause the balance of sub-fund of the Division of Correction Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account to exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000) shall be reclaimed by the Department of Finance and Administration pursuant to the same procedures as other general revenue recapture.

(b) Any carry forward of the unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may be carried forward under the following conditions:

(1) The Office of Budget of the Department of Finance and Administration shall report to the Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the September meeting of the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee

meeting which report shall include the name of the agency, board, commission, or institution and the amount of funding carried forward, the program name or line item and the funding source; and

(2) The Department of Corrections - Division of Correction shall provide a written report to the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee containing all information set forth in subdivision (b)(1) of this section no later than thirty (30) days prior to the time the Department presents its budget request to the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, or both; and

(3) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include all information obtained in subdivision (b)(2) of this section in the budget manuals.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 30. 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 31. 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 32. 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, 2026 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, 2026 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, 2026.

/s/Joint Budget Committee

APPROVED: 4/29/26