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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1020

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 DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE
2026-2027 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 Department of Transportation for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees and the maximum annual salary for such employees; and no greater salary than that established herein shall be paid to any employee from appropriations hereinafter made for said department. The annual salaries to be paid to each employee authorized herein shall be determined by the Arkansas State Highway Commission within the limitations as set out in this Section and the funds and the appropriations made available for such purposes. All positions established herein shall be exempt from the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code § 21-5-201, et seq.), or its successor, but shall not be exempt from the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act. Provided further that the salaries for the pay period beginning June 2026 and ending July 2026 can be paid from the salaries and overtime authorized for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.



Item No.	Title	Maximum	Maximum Annual
		No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2026-2027
(1)	Director	1	\$290,815
(2)	Chief Engineer - Preconstruction	1	\$254,483
(3)	Chief Engineer - Operations	1	\$254,483
(4)	Chief - Administration	1	\$254,483
(5)	Assistant Chief - Administration	1	\$231,348
(6)	Assistant Chief Engineer - Const	1	\$231,348
(7)	Assistant Chief Engineer - Design	1	\$231,348
(8)	Assistant Chief Engineer - Maint	1	\$231,348
(9)	Assistant Chief Engineer - Planning	1	\$231,348
(10)	Assistant Chief Engineer - Prog Del	1	\$231,348
(11)	Chief Fiscal Officer	1	\$210,317
(12)	Chief Legal Counsel	1	\$210,317
(13)	Chief of Highway Police	1	\$210,317
(14)	State Construction Engineer	1	\$210,317
(15)	State Maintenance Engineer	1	\$210,317
(16)	Alternative Delivery Administrator	1	\$191,197
(17)	ASHERS Executive Secretary	1	\$191,197
(18)	Chief Auditor	1	\$191,197
(19)	District Engineer	10	\$191,197
(20)	Division Head	18	\$191,197
(21)	Special Projects Coordinator	1	\$191,197
	SALARY LEVEL XX		\$173,815
(22)	Administrative Officer Pool	10	\$173,815
	Administrative Officer V		\$173,815
	Administrative Officer IV		\$155,979
	Administrative Officer III		\$133,299
	Administrative Officer II		\$118,062
	Administrative Officer I		\$104,307
(23)	Alternative Delivery Manager	1	\$173,815
(24)	Assistant Division Head	24	\$173,815
(25)	Data Governance Officer	1	\$173,815

(26)	Deputy Chief Counsel	1	\$173,815
(27)	District Construction Engineer	11	\$173,815
(28)	District Maintenance Engineer	11	\$173,815
(29)	Estimating & Scheduling Admin	1	\$173,815
(30)	Governmental Relations Officer	1	\$173,815
	SALARY LEVEL XIX		\$165,327
(31)	Engineering Pool	295	\$165,327
	Staff Engineer		\$165,327
	Senior Engineer		\$141,497
	Advanced Engineer		\$125,490
	Engineer		\$111,004
	Engineering Technician		\$96,826
(32)	Enterprise System Administrator	1	\$165,327
(33)	Legal and Legislative Pool	11	\$165,327
	Senior Staff Attorney		\$165,327
	Staff Attorney		\$155,979
	Attorney II		\$141,497
	Attorney I		\$133,299
	Legal Administrator		\$133,299
	Legislative Specialist		\$133,299
	Legislative Analyst		\$118,062
(34)	Police Supervisory Pool	56	\$165,327
	Arkansas Highway Police Captain		\$165,327
	Arkansas Highway Police Lieutenant		\$155,979
	Arkansas Highway Police Sergeant		\$141,497
	Motor Carrier Safety Inspector		\$141,497
(35)	Section Head Pool	43	\$165,327
	Section Head - Technical & IT		\$165,327
	Section Head		\$155,979
(36)	Senior Right of Way Project Manager	2	\$165,327
(37)	Staff GIS & Mapping Administrator	1	\$165,327
(38)	Staff Land Surveyor	1	\$165,327
	SALARY LEVEL XVIII		\$155,979
(39)	Equipment and Procurement Officer	1	\$155,979
(40)	Materials Specifications Coord	1	\$155,979
(41)	Media Communications Manager	1	\$155,979

(42)	Program Management Database Admin	1	\$155,979
(43)	TSMO Data Coordinator	1	\$155,979
	SALARY LEVEL XVII		\$141,497
(44)	Assistant Enterprise System Admin	1	\$141,497
(45)	Assistant GIS - Mapping Admin	1	\$141,497
(46)	Assistant Section Head Pool	15	\$141,497
	Assistant Section Head - Tech & IT		\$141,497
	Assistant Section Head		\$133,299
(47)	Information Technology Pool	54	\$141,497
	IT Administrator		\$141,497
	HR Systems Administrator		\$133,299
	IT Analyst		\$133,299
	Senior Maint Mngmnt Sys Admin		\$133,299
	Assistant HR Systems Administrator		\$118,062
	Fleet Management System Admin		\$118,062
	IT Coordinator		\$118,062
	Maintenance Management System Admin		\$118,062
	IT Specialist		\$104,307
	IT Technician		\$89,872
(48)	Laboratory Facility Manager	1	\$141,497
(49)	Planning Pool	34	\$141,497
	Traffic Safety Data Mngmnt Coord		\$141,497
	Public Transport Grants Off		\$133,299
	Public Transport Prog Mngmnt Off		\$133,299
	Public Transport Safe & Secur Off		\$133,299
	Railroad Crossing Coordinator		\$133,299
	Senior Traffic Safety Analyst		\$133,299
	Senior Transportation Planner		\$133,299
	Advanced Traffic Safety Analyst		\$118,062
	Assistant Railroad Crossing Coord		\$118,062
	Public Transportation Prog Mngr		\$118,062
	Safety Information Coordinator		\$118,062
	Transportation Planner		\$118,062
	Public Transportation Asset Spec		\$104,307
	Public Transportation Program Spec		\$104,307
	Traffic Safety Analyst		\$104,307

	Planning Contract Specialist		\$89,872
	Traffic Safety Technician		\$89,872
(50)	Right of Way Project Manager	1	\$141,497
	SALARY LEVEL XVI		\$133,299
(51)	Accounting and Financial Pool	42	\$133,299
	Consultant Specialist		\$133,299
	Contract Auditor		\$133,299
	Fiscal Coordinator		\$133,299
	IT Auditor		\$133,299
	Reviewing Auditor		\$133,299
	Senior Accountant		\$133,299
	Senior Retirement Admin (ASHERS)		\$133,299
	Accountant		\$118,062
	Assistant Fiscal Coordinator		\$118,062
	Financial Analyst		\$118,062
	Retirement Administrator		\$118,062
	Staff Auditor		\$118,062
	Contract Specialist		\$104,307
	Maintenance Inventory Coordinator		\$104,307
(52)	Admin Support Supervisory Pool	31	\$133,299
	Creative Services Manager		\$133,299
	Office Manager		\$118,062
	Purchasing Manager		\$118,062
	Mail & Supply Supervisor		\$104,307
	Records Supervisor		\$104,307
	Storeroom Supervisor		\$104,307
(53)	Bridge Mngmnt and Inspection Pool	71	\$133,299
	Statewide Bridge Inspector		\$133,299
	Senior Bridge Inspector		\$125,490
	Bridge Management Analyst		\$118,062
	Advanced Bridge Inspector		\$111,004
	Bridge Management Specialist		\$104,307
	Bridge Inspector		\$96,826
(54)	Civil Rights Pool	9	\$133,299
	Lead Civil Rights Coordinator		\$133,299
	Civil Rights Coordinator		\$118,062

	DBE Supportive Services Specialist		\$104,307
	EEO Specialist		\$104,307
	OJT Supportive Services Specialist		\$104,307
	DBE Program Specialist		\$89,872
(55)	Environmental Pool	41	\$133,299
	Lead Cultural Resources Specialist		\$133,299
	Lead Environmental Impact Analyst		\$133,299
	Lead GIS-Data Management Specialist		\$133,299
	Lead Natural Resources Specialist		\$133,299
	Lead Public Involvement Specialist		\$133,299
	Advan Cultural Resources Specialist		\$118,062
	Advan Environmental Impact Analyst		\$118,062
	Advan GIS-Data Mngmnt Specialist		\$118,062
	Advan Natural Resources Specialist		\$118,062
	Advan Public Involvement Specialist		\$118,062
	Cultural Resources Specialist		\$104,307
	Environmental Impact Analyst		\$104,307
	GIS-Data Management Specialist		\$104,307
	Natural Resources Specialist		\$104,307
	Public Involvement Specialist		\$104,307
	Environmental Technician		\$89,872
(56)	Geodetic Surveys Coordinator	1	\$133,299
(57)	Field Construction Pool	370	\$133,299
	Senior Construction Project Coord		\$133,299
	Construction Project Coordinator		\$125,490
	Senior Inspector		\$111,004
	Construction Materials Inspector		\$96,826
	District Surveys Coordinator		\$96,826
	Inspector		\$96,826
	Advanced Construction Aide		\$83,405
	District Surveys Technician		\$83,405
	Construction Aide		\$70,200
(58)	Geospatial Pool	22	\$133,299
	Senior Geospatial Specialist		\$133,299
	Program Management GIS Analyst		\$118,062
	Advanced Geospatial Specialist		\$118,062

	Geospatial Specialist		\$104,307
	GIS Technician		\$89,872
(59)	Land Surveyor	5	\$133,299
(60)	Lead Alt Proj Delivery Coord	1	\$133,299
(61)	Local Tech Assistance Prgrm Mngr	1	\$133,299
(62)	Maintenance Professionals Pool	8	\$133,299
	Traffic Services Specialist		\$133,299
	Lead Agronomist		\$125,490
	Maintenance Management Coordinator		\$125,490
	Sign Developer/Designer		\$125,490
	Traffic Investigator		\$118,062
	Agronomist		\$111,004
(63)	Maintenance Supervisor Pool	316	\$133,299
	District Maintenance Superintendent		\$133,299
	HBM Superintendent		\$133,299
	Area Maintenance Supervisor		\$125,490
	Bridge Maintenance Superintendent		\$125,490
	HBM Supervisor		\$125,490
	Pavement Profiling Superintendent		\$125,490
	Sealing Superintendent		\$125,490
	Signing Superintendent		\$125,490
	Sign Shop Supervisor		\$125,490
	Special Maintenance Superintendent		\$125,490
	Striping Superintendent		\$125,490
	Assistant Maintenance Supervisor		\$111,004
	Assistant Signing Superintendent		\$111,004
	Assistant Striping Superintendent		\$111,004
	Ferry Boat Supervisor		\$111,004
	Sign Crew Supervisor		\$111,004
	Assistant Sign Shop Supervisor		\$104,307
(64)	Photogrammetry Pool	9	\$133,299
	Photogrammetric Specialist		\$133,299
	Advanced Photogrammetry Technician		\$118,062
	Photogrammetry Technician		\$104,307
	Aerial Photographer		\$76,518
(65)	Preconstruction Pool	16	\$133,299

	Advanced Program Management Spec		\$133,299
	Federal Programs Coordinator		\$133,299
	Program Management Data Specialist		\$133,299
	Bicycle-Pedestrian Coordinator		\$118,062
	Program Management Specialist		\$118,062
	Local Programs Technician		\$104,307
	Program Management Technician		\$104,307
(66)	Research Support Supervisor	1	\$133,299
(67)	Right of Way Pool	99	\$133,299
	Broadband Utility Coordinator		\$133,299
	Relocation Specialist		\$133,299
	Reviewing Appraiser		\$133,299
	ROW Acquisition Specialist		\$133,299
	ROW Engineering Specialist		\$133,299
	Utilities Specialist		\$133,299
	Utilities Inspection Coordinator		\$125,490
	Advanced District Permit Officer		\$118,062
	Closing Agent		\$118,062
	Lead Abstractor		\$118,062
	Lead Beautification Coordinator		\$118,062
	Lead Realty Appraiser		\$118,062
	Lead Relocation Coordinator		\$118,062
	Lead ROW Acquisition Agent		\$118,062
	Lead ROW Billing Coordinator		\$118,062
	Lead ROW Plans Designer		\$118,062
	Lead Utilities Coordinator		\$118,062
	Property Manager		\$118,062
	Abstractor		\$104,307
	Beautification Coordinator		\$104,307
	District Permit Officer		\$104,307
	Realty Appraiser		\$104,307
	Relocation Coordinator		\$104,307
	ROW Acquisition Agent		\$104,307
	ROW Billing Coordinator		\$104,307
	Utilities Coordinator		\$104,307
	ROW Plans Designer		\$89,872

	Utility Billing Coordinator		\$89,872
	Abstractor Aide		\$76,518
(68)	Roadway Design Review Coordinator	1	\$133,299
(69)	Skilled Trades Supervisory Pool	32	\$133,299
	Facilities Management Super		\$133,299
	Fleet Manager		\$133,299
	Central Office Facilities Manager		\$118,062
	Equipment Maintenance Supervisor		\$118,062
	Equipment Specialist		\$118,062
	Facilities Management Project Coord		\$111,004
	Shop Supervisor		\$111,004
(70)	Surveys Technical Coordinator	1	\$133,299
(71)	System Information Pool	37	\$133,299
	Asset Mngmnt & Pave Data Analyst		\$133,299
	System Information Data Specialist		\$133,299
	Advanced Data Qual Mngmnt Analyst		\$118,062
	Geophysical Data Analyst		\$118,062
	System Information Analyst		\$118,062
	Assistant Geophysical Data Analyst		\$104,307
	Data Quality Management Analyst		\$104,307
	Lead Data Collection Technician		\$104,307
	Lead System Information Technician		\$104,307
	Advanced Data Collection Technician		\$96,826
	Advanced System Info Technician		\$96,826
	Data Collection Technician		\$89,872
	System Information Technician		\$89,872
(72)	System Information Supervisor	2	\$133,299
	SALARY LEVEL XV		\$125,490
(73)	Construction Systems Specialist	1	\$125,490
(74)	Creative Professionals Pool	11	\$125,490
	Senior Creative Professional		\$125,490
	Advanced Graphic Design Specialist		\$118,062
	Community Relations Coordinator		\$118,062
	Digital Content Coordinator		\$111,004
	External Information Coordinator		\$111,004
	Photographer		\$111,004

	Publications Specialist		\$111,004
	Videographer		\$111,004
	Writer		\$111,004
	Graphic Design Specialist		\$104,307
(75)	District Materials Supervisor	11	\$125,490
(76)	Geologist Pool	2	\$125,490
	Advanced Geologist		\$125,490
	Geologist		\$111,004
(77)	Traffic Safety Supervisory Pool	10	\$125,490
	ITS Operations Supervisor		\$125,490
	TMC Manager		\$125,490
	Traffic Operations Supervisor		\$125,490
	Assistant ITS Operations Supervisor		\$111,004
	Assistant TMC Manager		\$111,004
	Assistant Traffic Operations Super		\$111,004
	SALARY LEVEL XIV		\$118,062
(78)	Construction Earthwork Coordinator	1	\$118,062
(79)	Designer Pool	17	\$118,062
	Advanced Designer		\$118,062
	Advanced Estimator		\$118,062
	Designer		\$104,307
	Estimator		\$104,307
	Design Technician		\$89,872
(80)	Geotechnical Drill Crew Supervisor	3	\$118,062
(81)	Human Resources Pool	36	\$118,062
	Classification & Compensation Spec		\$118,062
	Employee Relations Coordinator		\$118,062
	Safety Program Coordinator		\$118,062
	Senior Health & Safety Officer		\$118,062
	Senior HR Specialist		\$118,062
	Talent Acquisition Coordinator		\$118,062
	Workforce Development Coordinator		\$118,062
	Health & Safety Officer		\$104,307
	HR Specialist		\$104,307
	HR Systems Technician		\$104,307
	Workforce Development Specialist		\$104,307

	HR Generalist		\$89,872
	Training Coordinator		\$89,872
	Wellness Coordinator		\$89,872
(82)	Materials Testing Pool	29	\$118,062
	Lead Chemist		\$118,062
	Laboratory Coordinator		\$111,004
	Chemist		\$96,826
	Steel Fabrication Inspector		\$96,826
	Testing Equipment Specialist		\$96,826
	Materials Stockroom Coordinator		\$89,872
	District Laboratory Technician		\$83,405
	Senior Materials Technician		\$83,405
	Materials Technician		\$70,200
(83)	Police and Security Pool	151	\$118,062
	Ark Highway Police Corporal		\$118,062
	Ark Highway Police Ptrl Off 1st Cls		\$104,307
	Ark Highway Police Patrol Officer		\$89,872
	Motor Carrier Safety Auditor		\$89,872
	Ark Highway Police Security Super		\$83,405
	Ark Highway Police Security Guard		\$70,200
	Security Guard		\$59,088
(84)	Research Pool	6	\$118,062
	Librarian		\$118,062
	Research Financial Analyst		\$118,062
	Advanced Research Assistant		\$104,307
	Research Assistant		\$89,872
(85)	Surveys Crew Supervisor	12	\$118,062
	SALARY LEVEL XIII		\$111,004
(86)	Construction Office Pool	76	\$111,004
	Advanced Subcontract Administrator		\$111,004
	Estimates Analyst		\$111,004
	Advanced Resident Office Technician		\$104,307
	Subcontract Administrator		\$104,307
	Construction Systems Technician		\$96,826
	Resident Office Technician		\$89,872
	Construction Office Specialist		\$83,405

	Advanced Field Clerk		\$76,518
	Estimates Technician		\$76,518
	Field Clerk		\$70,200
(87)	Emergency Management Pool	3	\$111,004
	Emergency Management Coordinator		\$111,004
	Emergency Management Planner		\$96,826
	Emergency Management Technician		\$83,405
	SALARY LEVEL XII		\$104,307
(88)	Administrative Support Pool	235	\$104,307
	Adv Motor Carrier Safety Data Spec		\$104,307
	Executive Assistant		\$104,307
	Fuel Management Specialist		\$104,307
	Legal Specialist		\$104,307
	Maintenance Management Specialist		\$104,307
	Maintenance Services Coord		\$104,307
	Purchasing Specialist		\$104,307
	Senior Permit Technician		\$104,307
	Accounting Specialist		\$89,872
	Administrative Assistant		\$89,872
	Advanced Permit Technician		\$89,872
	Bookkeeper		\$89,872
	Legal Assistant		\$89,872
	Motor Carrier Safety Data Spec		\$89,872
	Planning Technician		\$89,872
	Retirement Specialist		\$89,872
	Advanced Maintenance Services Spec		\$83,405
	Lead Storeroom Assistant		\$83,405
	Print Services Coordinator		\$83,405
	Publications Technician		\$83,405
	Accounting Assistant		\$76,518
	Advanced District Clerk		\$76,518
	Advanced Motor Carrier Safety Spec		\$76,518
	Computer Technician		\$76,518
	Fleet Management Analyst		\$76,518
	HR Assistant		\$76,518
	Legal Tech Support		\$76,518

	Office Assistant		\$76,518
	Permit Technician		\$76,518
	Purchasing Clerk		\$76,518
	Records Specialist		\$76,518
	District Clerk		\$70,200
	Legal Aide		\$70,200
	Mail & Supply Assistant		\$70,200
	Storeroom Assistant		\$70,200
	Data Entry Operator		\$64,404
	Motor Carrier Safety Specialist		\$64,404
	Office Aide		\$64,404
	Records Technician		\$64,404
	Mail Courier		\$59,088
	Parts Runner		\$59,088
(89)	Communications and ITS Pool	28	\$104,307
	Senior ITS Specialist		\$104,307
	Senior Traffic Operations Spec		\$104,307
	ITS Specialist		\$96,826
	Traffic Operations Specialist		\$96,826
(90)	Skilled Trades Pool	179	\$104,307
	Fleet Elec & Diagnostics Tech		\$104,307
	Senior Skilled Tradesperson		\$104,307
	Advanced Skilled Tradesperson		\$96,826
	CNC Machinist		\$96,826
	AHP Technician		\$89,872
	Electrician		\$89,872
	Electronics Technician		\$89,872
	Mechanic		\$89,872
	Plumber		\$89,872
	Body Repairer & Painter		\$83,405
	Carpenter		\$83,405
	Electrical Plumbing & Mech Repairer		\$83,405
	Welder		\$83,405
	Skilled Trades Apprentice		\$70,200
	Skilled Trades Trainee		\$59,088
(91)	Surveys Pool	41	\$104,307

	Advanced Surveys Technician		\$104,307
	Surveys Research Technician		\$89,872
	Surveys Technician		\$89,872
	Advanced Surveys Aide		\$76,518
	Surveys Aide		\$64,404
	SALARY LEVEL XI		\$96,826
(92)	District Maintenance Pool	1,687	\$96,826
	Crew Leader		\$96,826
	Ferry Boat Pilot		\$83,405
	Janitorial Staff Coordinator		\$83,405
	Lead Bridge Repairer		\$83,405
	Maintenance Specialist		\$83,405
	Advan Area Headquarters Attendant		\$76,518
	Landscape Technician		\$76,518
	Tractor Trailer Driver		\$76,518
	Area Headquarters Attendant		\$70,200
	Bridge Repairer		\$70,200
	Lead Station Attendant		\$70,200
	Maintenance Aide II		\$70,200
	Pilot - Deck Hand		\$70,200
	Rest Area Attendant II		\$70,200
	Sign Erector II		\$70,200
	District Caretaker II		\$64,404
	Rest Area Attendant		\$64,404
	Sign Erector		\$64,404
	Deck Hand		\$59,088
	District Caretaker		\$59,088
	Janitor II		\$59,088
	Maintenance Aide I		\$59,088
	Station Attendant		\$59,088
	General Laborer		\$54,733
	Janitor		\$54,733
(93)	Geotechnical Pool	9	\$96,826
	Senior Geotechnical Aide		\$96,826
	Geotechnical Specialist		\$89,872
	Advanced Geotechnical Aide		\$83,405

	Geotechnical Aide		\$70,200
(94)	Traffic Management Center Pool	35	\$96,826
	Senior Customer Service Rep		\$96,826
	Senior TMC Operator		\$96,826
	Senior Communications Operator		\$83,405
	TMC Operator		\$83,405
	Communications Operator		\$70,200
	Customer Service Representative		\$70,200
	SALARY LEVEL X		\$89,872
(95)	Sign Shop Pool	9	\$89,872
	Sign Fabrication Specialist		\$89,872
	Advanced Sign Fabricator		\$76,518
	Sign Fabricator		\$64,404
(96)	Statewide Maintenance Pool	76	\$89,872
	Highway Zoner		\$89,872
	Lead Heavy Bridge Repairer		\$89,872
	Statewide Maintenance Specialist		\$89,872
	Heavy Bridge Repairer		\$76,518
	Statewide Maintenance Aide II		\$76,518
	Statewide Maintenance Aide I		\$64,404
	SALARY LEVEL IX		\$83,405
	SALARY LEVEL VIII		\$76,518
	SALARY LEVEL VII		\$70,200
	SALARY LEVEL VI		\$64,404
	SALARY LEVEL V		\$59,088
(97)	Temporary Employee Pool	144	\$59,088
	Senior Intern		\$59,088
	Advanced Intern		\$54,733
	Intern		\$49,732
	Extra Help		\$45,626
	Seasonal Employee		\$41,858
	SALARY LEVEL IV		\$54,733
	SALARY LEVEL III		\$49,732
	SALARY LEVEL II		\$45,626
	SALARY LEVEL I		\$41,858
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	4,558	

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the State Highway and Transportation Department Fund, for the administration and operation of the Arkansas Department of Transportation; for construction, reconstruction, maintenance, betterments, replacement, and operation of roads, bridges, ferries, and all other facilities by the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$280,000,000
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	140,000,000
(03) OVERTIME	10,000,000
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	280,000,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	500,000
(C) PROF. FEES	130,000,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,800,000,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE GRANTS & AID	70,000,000
(06) DEBT SERVICE	<u>50,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$2,760,500,000</u>

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE AID ROADS PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the State Aid Road Fund, for construction, reconstruction, and improvement of roads on the State Aid Road System as authorized by Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 72, for transfer of engineering and other expenses to the State Highway and Transportation Department Fund, and for refunds to counties, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$4,000,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) GRANTS AND AID	<u>30,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$34,000,000</u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS PUBLIC TRANSIT TRUST FUND PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the Arkansas Public Transit Trust Fund, for acquiring federal matching funds for the purchase of public transportation vehicles, public transit equipment or facilities, and for the operation of the United States Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration Assistance Programs, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
(01) GRANTS AND AID	<u>\$7,000,000</u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - STATE AID STREETS PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the State Aid Street Fund, for construction, reconstruction, and improvement of roads and expenses of state aid for municipalities in the State Aid Street System as authorized by Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 72, for transfer of engineering and other expenses to the State Highway and Transportation Department Fund, and for refunds to municipalities, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation 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	\$2,000,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0

(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) GRANTS AND AID	<u>32,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$34,000,000</u>

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT BOND ACCOUNT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the State Highway and Transportation Department Fund, for repayment of bonds, transfer to trustees for debt service, bond redemption, investment in accordance with applicable resolutions or trust indentures, and funding additional four-lane highway construction and improvements, as provided in Amendment 91 of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation 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	\$5,000,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	30,000,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	400,000,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$435,000,000</u>

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - ROAD AND BRIDGE REPAIR, MAINTENANCE, AND GRANTS PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the Road and Bridge Repair, Maintenance, and Grants Fund, for road and bridge repair, maintenance, and grants for damages resulting from trucks and other heavy machinery used in the extraction of natural gas, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>

(01) ROAD AND BRIDGE REPAIR, MAINTENANCE
 AND GRANTS TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS \$5,000,000

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - COMMERCIAL TRUCK SAFETY AND EDUCATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the Commercial Truck Safety and Education Fund, for personal services, maintenance and operating expenses, capital outlay, and grants for improving the safety of the commercial trucking industry through cooperative public and private programs focusing on increased enforcement, regulatory compliance, industry training, and educational programs to ensure the safe movement of goods on state highways, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation 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	\$100,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) GRANTS AND AID	<u>6,900,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$7,000,000</u>

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for use in the preparation of project applications, program developments, and as matching monies for the United States Department of Transportation funds and other federal funds, and for capital improvements to, and operating assistance for, the Public Transportation Programs serving transportation-dependent persons, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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NO.	2026-2027
(01) DEPARTMENT FUNDING ASSISTANCE GRANTS TO RURAL & URBAN TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES	<u>\$350,000</u>

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - NOAA WEATHER WARNING SYSTEM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for operating expenses of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Weather Warning Radio System, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$4,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$4,000</u>

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the Arkansas State Highway Employees' Retirement System Fund, for annuities, investments, benefits, refunds, and expenses of the Arkansas Department of Transportation - Arkansas State Highway Employees' Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$1,000,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	15,000,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) BENEFITS AND SYSTEM EXPENSES	250,000,000
(03) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>4,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$270,000,000</u></u>

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - INTERMODAL FACILITIES GRANTS PROGRAM.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the State Highway and Transportation Department Fund, for grants to regional intermodal facilities, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
(01) INTERMODAL FACILITIES GRANTS	<u><u>\$525,000</u></u>

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - TRANSPORTATION RELATED RESEARCH AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, to be payable from the Future Transportation Research and Workforce Development Fund, for grants to publicly funded institutions of higher education for transportation related research or workforce development, by the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
(01) FUTURE TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND GRANTS	<u><u>\$1,500,000</u></u>

SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED. Any savings in the amount appropriated in the Operations appropriation section for the Regular Salaries line item, Overtime line item, Personal Services Matching line item, or any sub-item of the Maintenance and General Operation line item, may be transferred by the Director of the Arkansas Department of Transportation to any sub-item of the Maintenance and General Operation line item, upon review by the Arkansas Legislative Council

or Joint Budget Committee and by notifying the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration and the Auditor of State to transfer said savings to a specific sub-item of the Maintenance and General Operation line item and make it available for said purpose during the then current fiscal year.

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

SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING TRANSFER. Provided that in the event amounts appropriated in the Personal Services Matching line item of the Operations appropriation section are insufficient in the fiscal year to pay the amounts at the rates stipulated by law to be paid for each of these items, an additional amount as determined and requested by the Director of the Arkansas Department of Transportation, and upon review by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, will be transferred by the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration and the Auditor of State from the Maintenance and General Operation line items to the Personal Services Matching line item of the Operations appropriation section to enable the Arkansas Department of Transportation to pay the required matching funds.

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

SECTION 16. 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 17. 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 18. 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.

APPROVED: 4/29/26