

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (800)  
2011-13 BIENNIUM - ALC/JBC RECOMMENDATION

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

"The mission of the Department of Labor (DOL) is to foster, promote, and develop the health, safety and welfare of the wage earners of Arkansas by providing services and enforcing laws to improve working conditions and enhance their opportunities for safe and profitable employment." The DOL has four functional units: Occupational Safety and Health, Labor Standards, Code Enforcement and Public Safety, and Administrative Services.

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

The total recommended appropriation is \$7,474,459 each year of the biennium.

**FUNDING SOURCES**

The appropriations for the Department of Labor are funded by general revenue, special revenue (license, renewal, permit, & inspection fees), federal funds, cash funds, and fund balances. The Department has a recommended base level general revenue allocation of \$3,005,407 each year.

**II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES**

**STATE OPERATIONS (APPROPRIATION 148)**

This appropriation is used to support the operations of the agency and to provide the match for federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), Revised Occupational Safety and Health Statistics (ROSH), and Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) grants. It is funded by general revenue, federal funds, and special revenue. Recommends continuation of base level for this appropriation **plus** the following increase:

**Regular Salaries and Matching** - Recommends an increase of \$137,967 each year for the restoration of two (2) Labor Inspectors (Grade C119) and one (1) Labor Standards Investigator (Grade C116). The positions are needed in anticipation of several retirements, and due to increase in workload in the Elevator Safety, Arkansas Occupational Safety and Health and the Labor Standards Division.

**BOILER INSPECTION (APPROPRIATION 149)**

This appropriation is funded by special revenue and is used to administer the Boiler Inspection program which regulates the operation of boilers and pressure vessels. Recommends continuation of base level for this appropriation **plus** the following increase:

**Regular Salaries and Matching** - Recommends an increase of \$35,433 each year to restore 1 Administrative Specialist III (Grade C112) to maintain experienced staff in anticipation of retirement of staff.

**Recommend fee increase?**

**FEDERAL PROGRAMS (APPROPRIATION 151)**

This appropriation is 100% federally funded, and is used for the receipt of grant funds for conducting OSHA consultation, Mine Safety and Health Consultation and Training, and the Occupational Injuries and Fatalities Survey. Recommends continuation of base level for this appropriation **plus** the following increase:

**Regular Salaries and Matching** - Recommends an increase of \$143,859 each year to restore 3 Labor Inspector positions (Grade C119) for

the OSHA Consultation Program that were not budgeted in FY2010-11 due to fiscal constraints.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS**

Total Positions for 2011-13 Biennium: 102  
Total Budgeted Positions for FY 2010-11: 95  
Increase / (Decrease): 7

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

None.

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