

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 83rd General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2001

A Bill

SENATE BILL 124

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND
11 TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING
12 JUNE 30, 2003; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND
16 TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY APPROPRIATION
17 FOR THE 2001-2003 BIENNIUM.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for
24 the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority for the 2001-2003 biennium, the
25 following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries shall be governed
26 by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas
27 Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto.
28 Provided, however, that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary
29 is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said
30 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
31 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular
32 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
33 successor.
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Maximum Annual
Maximum Salary Rate

Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Years	
	No.	Code Title	Employees	2001-2002	2002-2003
3	(1)	9777 SCIENCE & TECH AUTH DIRECTOR	1	\$79,221	\$81,280
4	(2)	8025 SCI & TECH AUTH NETWORK ADMR	1	\$74,997	\$76,946
5	(3)	8027 SCI & TECH ASST DIR FOR ENGINEERING	1	\$67,620	\$69,378
6	(4)	9776 SCIENCE & TECH ASST DIR OF FINANCE	1	\$57,892	\$59,397
7	(5)	9778 SCIENCE & TECH ASST DIR OF RESEARCH	1	\$55,596	\$57,041
8	(6)	9775 SCIENCE & TECH ASST DIR OF MGMT SVC	1	\$53,963	\$55,366
9	(7)	A032 AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE 22	
10	(8)	D115 INFORMATION SYSTEMS PLANNER	1	GRADE 22	
11	(9)	A003 SCIENCE & TECH FINANCE PROG MGR	1	GRADE 21	
12	(10)	R471 SCIENCE & TECH RESEARCH PROG COORD	1	GRADE 21	
13	(11)	A006 ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR I	1	GRADE 20	
14	(12)	R266 MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST II	1	GRADE 20	
15	(13)	N333 MEDIA SPECIALIST	1	GRADE 20	
16	(14)	N283 SCIENCE & TECH COMMUNICATIONS MGR	1	GRADE 20	
17	(15)	R150 RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST	1	GRADE 19	
18	(16)	R440 BUSINESS CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE 16	
19	(17)	K041 EXECUTIVE SECY/ADMINISTRATIVE SECY	1	GRADE 14	
20	(18)	K153 SECRETARY II	1	GRADE 13	
21	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		18		

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23 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the
 24 Arkansas Science and Technology Authority for the 2001-2003 biennium, the
 25 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as
 26 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two
 27 (2) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to
 28 exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or
 29 its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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31 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 32 to the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be payable from the State
 33 General Services Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of
 34 the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority for the biennial period ending
 35 June 30, 2003, the following:

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ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
NO.		2001-2002	2002-2003
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 501,916	\$ 514,965
(02)	EXTRA HELP	12,000	12,000
(03)	PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	126,079	128,408
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	144,204	144,204
(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	27,223	27,223
(C)	PROF. FEES	16,800	16,800
(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	20,500	20,500
(E)	DATA PROC.	0	0
(05)	BASIC AND APPLIED RESEARCH GRANTS	1,083,750	1,083,750
(06)	TECH DEVELOPMENT	<u>315,000</u>	<u>315,000</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 2,247,472</u>	<u>\$ 2,262,850</u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - SEED CAPITAL INVESTMENTS - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, for investments in technology based businesses by the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority for the biennial period ending June 30, 2003, the following:

ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
NO.		2001-2002	2002-2003
(01)	INVESTMENTS	<u>\$ 1,900,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,900,000</u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS MANUFACTURING EXTENSION NETWORK - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be payable from federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority for the biennial period ending June 30, 2003, the following:

ITEM		FISCAL YEARS	
NO.		2001-2002	2002-2003

1	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 251,339	\$ 257,874
2	(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	62,652	63,815
3	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	126,000	128,000
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	62,928	62,928
6	(C) PROF. FEES	50,000	50,000
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	77,250	67,250
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
9	(04) AR MANUFACTURING NETWORK/TECHNOLOGY		
10	TRANSFER ASSI ST. /AND OTHER GRANTS/AID	200,000	200,000
11	(05) FIELD SERVICES	<u>1,210,000</u>	<u>1,240,000</u>
12	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 2,040,169</u>	<u>\$ 2,069,867</u>

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14 SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE
 15 NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY FORWARD.

16 The Arkansas Science and Technology Authority ("Authority") is authorized to
 17 carry forward any obligated but unexpended balance of appropriations and funds
 18 authorized for the Authority for making grants under the Authority's Basic and
 19 Applied Research Grants Program, which remains at the close of the first year
 20 of a biennium to the second year of the biennium, there to be used for the
 21 same purpose. The amount authorized to be carried forward shall be limited to
 22 ten percent (10%) of the amount appropriated and funded for grants under the
 23 Authority's Basic and Applied Research Grant Program.

24 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2001
 25 through June 30, 2003.

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27 SECTION 7. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED
 28 SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND BALANCES. (A) For all
 29 appropriations as provided in this Act, the agency disbursing officer shall
 30 monitor the level of fund balances in relation to expenditures on a monthly
 31 basis. If any proposed expenditures would cause a fund balance to decline to
 32 less than fifty percent (50%) of the balance available on July 1, 2001, the
 33 disbursing officer shall immediately notify the executive head of the agency.

34 Prior to any obligations being made under these circumstances, the agency
 35 head shall file written documentation with the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 36 State requesting approval of the expenditures. Such documentation shall

1 provide sufficient financial data to justify the expenditures and shall
 2 include the following:

3 1) a plan that clearly indicates the specific fiscal impact of such
 4 expenditures on the fund balance.

5 2) information clearly indicating and explaining what programs would be cut or
 6 any other measures to be taken by the agency to restore the fund balance.

7 3) the extent to which any of the planned expenditures are for one-time costs
 8 or one-time purchase of capitalized items.

9 4) a statement certifying that the expenditure of fund balances will not
 10 jeopardize the financial health of the agency, nor result in a permanent
 11 depletion of the fund balance.

12 (B) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall review the request and
 13 approve or disapprove all or any part of the request , after having sought
 14 prior review by the Legislative Council.

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 16 SECTION 8. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by
 17 this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made
 18 available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions
 19 of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures
 20 Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and
 21 Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this
 22 State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of
 23 Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied
 24 with in disbursement of said funds.

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 26 SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
 27 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
 28 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
 29 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
 30 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
 31 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
 32 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint
 33 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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 35 SECTION 10. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
 36 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the

1 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
2 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2001 is essential to the operation of the
3 agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the
4 event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date
5 of this Act beyond July 1, 2001 could work irreparable harm upon the proper
6 administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an
7 emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the
8 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full
9 force and effect from and after July 1, 2001.

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