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State of Arkansas  
88th General Assembly  
Fiscal Session, 2012

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1004

By: Representatives D. Hutchinson, Benedict

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR TRANSFERS FOR  
EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT  
- ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL  
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2012; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

## Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE  
DEPARTMENT - ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION  
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2011-2012 FISCAL  
YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Agriculture Department – Arkansas Forestry Commission, to be payable from the State Forestry Fund, for refunds and reimbursements to the Federal Government by the Arkansas Agriculture Department - Arkansas Forestry Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2011-2012
(01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$1,200,000</u>

SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND TRANSFER. In the event it is determined a repayment of funds to the Federal Government is needed, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall immediately



transfer on his or her books and those of the State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State a sum to provide repayment of loans, penalties and interest if incurred to the Federal Government equal to the amount needed but not to exceed one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) from the Executive Discretionary Division of the 88th Session Projects Account of the General Improvement Fund to the State Forestry Fund for Refunds and Reimbursements.

SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND TRANSFER. Immediately upon the passage and approval of this Act, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of the State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State the sum of five hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$570,000) from the Executive Discretionary Division of the 88th Session Projects Account of the General Improvement Fund to the State Forestry Fund for Restoration of Firefighting Positions.

SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. POSITIONS RESTORED. The fund transfer authorized in Section 3 herein shall be used to fund the following fifteen (15) positions for the Arkansas Forestry Commission for firefighting:

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2011-2012
(1)	D081C	TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C114
(2)	B098C	FOREST RANGER II	14	GRADE C114
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	15	

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 the date of its passage and approval 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 the date of its passage and approval 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 the date of its passage and approval.