

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1158

By: Joint Budget Committee

**For An Act To Be Entitled**

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DIVISION OF  
LEGISLATIVE AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING  
COMMITTEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2014;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**Subtitle**

AN ACT FOR THE DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE  
AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING  
COMMITTEE APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2013-2014  
FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the  
Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee for  
the 2013-2014 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2013-2014
(1)	Q001U	LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR	1	\$181,785
(2)	Q001N	ASSISTANT LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR	1	GRADE N918
(3)	Q003N	DEPUTY LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR	6	GRADE N917
(4)	Q002N	LA LEGAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE N917
(5)	Q006N	LA AUDIT MANAGER	5	GRADE N913



(6)	Q010N	LA FIELD AUDIT SUPERVISOR	21	GRADE N911
(7)	Q013N	LA SUPERVISING SENIOR AUDITOR	15	GRADE N910
(8)	Q016N	LA APPLICATION SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE N908
(9)	Q019N	LA NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE N907
(10)	Q018N	LA SENIOR AUDITOR	33	GRADE N907
(11)	Q002C	LA ASSISTANT NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	2	GRADE C130
(12)	Q001C	LA STAFF AUDITOR	129	GRADE C130
(13)	Q022C	LA ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C127
(14)	Q045C	LA ASSOCIATE AUDITOR	57	GRADE C124
(15)	Q053C	LA ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	3	GRADE C123
(16)	Q060C	LA PURCHASING MANAGER	1	GRADE C122
(17)	Q085C	LA SENIOR ADMIN SERVICES SPECIALIST	3	GRADE C119
(18)	Q096C	LA ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES SPECIAL	<u>9</u>	GRADE C118
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	290	

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$27,717,849
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	7,475,929
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	3,464,400
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	343,000
(C) PROF. FEES	760,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	355,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$40,116,178</u>

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - SOUTHERN LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative

*Joint Auditing Committee, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, to assist in defraying the expenses of hosting the Southern Legislative Conference, the sum of .....\$100,000.*

*SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. 2014 SOUTHERN LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE HOST COMMITTEE. The President Pro Tempore of the Arkansas Senate and the Speaker of the Arkansas House of Representatives are hereby authorized to designate an appropriate Host Committee consisting of members of the Arkansas General Assembly to conduct advanced planning and to conduct a program of activities for attendees of the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Southern Legislative Conference of the Council of State Governments to be held in Arkansas. Upon authorization of the President Pro Tempore and the Speaker of the House, the Legislative Auditor shall have a voucher prepared and cause a warrant to be issued in the amount as appropriated in this Act for expenses of planning and hosting the Southern Legislative Conference. The Legislative Auditor shall deposit or invest the funds in an account or accounts in a qualified financial institution or institutions located in the State of Arkansas established solely for planning and hosting the Southern Legislative Conference. The Host Committee shall have oversight responsibilities over the funds. The Legislative Auditor shall be custodian of these funds, which shall be considered state governmental trust funds. These funds are exempt from the provisions of the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law. Any funds remaining in the account after all expenses for hosting the Southern Legislative Conference have been paid, not exceeding the amount appropriated for hosting the Southern Legislative Conference, shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the State Central Services Fund.*

SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER PROVISION – LINE ITEMS. The Legislative Auditor is hereby authorized to direct the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to transfer appropriation between the line items of the appropriation in Section 2 of this Act in such amounts determined necessary. In no event, however, shall the Regular Salaries line item in Section 2 be increased or decreased by such transfers

authorized herein, until the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee reviews such transfers.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2012~~ 2013 through June 30, ~~2013~~ 2014.

SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SALARIES. Employees of the Division of Legislative Audit shall be eligible for cost-of-living increases on July 1, in an amount equal to that granted to all other state agency, board, commission or institution of higher education employees on those dates. Any additional adjustments in annual salary rates for Division employees, labor market adjustments, merit pay adjustments or employee retention or recruitment requirements shall be made at the discretion of the Legislative Auditor. In addition, the Legislative Auditor may implement a merit program to reward employees of the Division for exceptional service. The plan shall be approved by the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee prior to its implementation. In order that exceptionally well-qualified personnel may be recruited and retained, the Division of Legislative Audit may exceed the maximum salary levels by no more than twenty percent (20%) for no more than one-third (1/3) of the positions authorized in the appropriation act after receiving approval from the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee. Salary payments in accordance with this section shall not be restricted to maximum amounts authorized by law.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2012~~ 2013 through June 30, ~~2013~~ 2014.

SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDS. In the event the Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee should receive any funds in connection with performing their duties as prescribed by the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Act, such funds shall be deposited into the State Central Services Fund to be utilized solely by the Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee in performing such duties.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2012~~ 2013 through June 30, ~~2013~~ 2014.

SECTION 8. 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 9. 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 10. 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, 2013 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, 2013 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, 2013.

*/s/ Joint Budget Committee*