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A Bill

SENATE BILL 70

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

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8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SUPREME
10 COURT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016; AND FOR
11 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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15 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT
16 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2015-2016 FISCAL
17 YEAR.

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

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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the
23 Arkansas Supreme Court for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular
24 employees.

Item	Class	Title	Maximum Annual	
			Maximum No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Year
25	(1)	Q009N SUPREME COURT CLERK	1	GRADE N912
26	(2)	Q011C CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C129
27	(3)	Q010C LIBRARY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE C129
28	(4)	Q012C SUPREME COURT REPORTER	1	GRADE C129
29	(5)	Q021C APPELLATE REVIEW ATTORNEY	2	GRADE C128
30	(6)	Q036C CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK	1	GRADE C126
31	(7)	Q083C COMMUNICATIONS COUNSEL	1	GRADE C126

1	(8) Q217C DEPUTY CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C126
2	(9) Q035C SUPREME COURT LAW CLERK	14	GRADE C126
3	(10) Q037C ASSISTANT CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C125
4	(11) Q038C DEPUTY REPORTER	1	GRADE C125
5	(12) Q051C NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE C124
6	(13) Q072C FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE C122
7	(14) Q141C TECHNICAL ONLINE PUBLISHER	1	GRADE C122
8	(15) Q090C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO CLERK	1	GRADE C119
9	(16) Q091C JUDICIAL CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIST	1	GRADE C119
10	(17) Q107C ASSISTANT CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK	1	GRADE C118
11	(18) Q106C DATA POLICY MANAGER	1	GRADE C118
12	(19) Q108C FINANCIAL SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C118
13	(20) Q192C PUBLIC SERVICE LIBRARIAN	1	GRADE C118
14	(21) Q109C RECORDS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118
15	(22) Q116C JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	6	GRADE C117
16	(23) Q115C SUPREME COURT POLICE CHIEF	1	GRADE C117
17	(24) Q123C ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	1	GRADE C115
18	(25) Q122C DATA RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
19	(26) Q124C LIBRARY TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	1	GRADE C115
20	(27) Q125C SUPREME COURT POLICE OFFICER	<u>2</u>	GRADE C115
21	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	48	

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23 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas
 24 Supreme Court for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary
 25 employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: five
 26 (5) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the
 27 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 28 classification.

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30 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas
 31 Supreme Court, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating
 32 expenses of the Arkansas Supreme Court for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

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34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
36	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,697,896

1	(02) EXTRA HELP	30,000	
2	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING		845,665
3	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	323,089	
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000	
6	(C) PROF. FEES	25,000	
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	112,000	
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0	
9	(05) ARKANSAS REPORTS	229,477	
10	(06) COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEYS	195,000	
11	(07) COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES	20,000	
12	(08) SPECIAL JUSTICES	5,500	
13	(09) JUDICIAL EDUCATION	<u>100,000</u>	
14	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		<u>\$4,613,627</u>

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16 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - APPELLATE MEDIATION - CASH. There is hereby
 17 appropriated, to the Arkansas Supreme Court, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State
 18 Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Arkansas
 19 Supreme Court - Appellate Mediation Pilot Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the
 20 following:

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22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR	
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>	
24	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
25	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$0	
26	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0	
27	(C) PROF. FEES	9,914	
28	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	
29	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	
30	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		<u>\$9,914</u>

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32 SECTION 5. REGULAR SALARIES - SUPREME COURT BAR OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby
 33 established for the Arkansas Supreme Court - Bar of Arkansas for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following
 34 maximum number of regular employees.

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36 Maximum Annual

1		Maximum	Salary Rate		
2	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year		
3	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>		
4	(1) Q057N SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF OPC	1	GRADE N917		
5	(2) Q058N SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF OPP	1	GRADE N916		
6	(3) Q059N SUPREME COURT DEP DIRECTOR OF OPC	1	GRADE N906		
7	(4) Q200C SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF AJC	1	GRADE C128		
8	(5) Q201C SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF JLAP	1	GRADE C128		
9	(6) Q199C SUPREME COURT SENIOR STAFF ATTY OPC	1	GRADE C128		
10	(7) Q202C SUPREME COURT STAFF ATTORNEY OPC	1	GRADE C126		
11	(8) Q204C SUPREME COURT DEPUTY DIRECTOR JLAP	1	GRADE C120		
12	(9) Q203C SUPREME COURT PROGRAM COORDINATOR OPP	2	GRADE C120		
13	(10) Q205C SUPREME COURT INVESTIGATOR OPC	1	GRADE C119		
14	(11) Q207C SUPREME COURT DATABASE MANAGER	1	GRADE C118		
15	(12) Q206C SUPREME COURT FINANCIAL SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C118		
16	(13) Q208C SUPREME COURT PARALEGAL OPC	1	GRADE C118		
17	(14) Q211C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT AJC	1	GRADE C115		
18	(15) Q209C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT OPC	2	GRADE C115		
19	(16) Q210C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT OPP	<u>2</u>	GRADE C115		
20	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	19			

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22 SECTION 6. EXTRA HELP - SUPREME COURT BAR OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby

23 authorized, for the Arkansas Supreme Court - Bar of Arkansas for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the following

24 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds

25 appropriated herein for such purposes: five (5) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates

26 of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor,

27 or this act for the appropriate classification.

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29 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - SUPREME COURT BAR OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby

30 appropriated, to the Arkansas Supreme Court, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas

31 Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas Supreme Court, for personal services and operating expenses of the

32 Arkansas Supreme Court - Bar of Arkansas for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the following:

34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
36	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,500,000

1	(02) EXTRA HELP	25,000	
2	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING		500,000
3	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,000,000	
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	100,000	
6	(C) PROF. FEES	500,000	
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000	
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0	
9	(05) CONSTRUCTION	100,000	
10	(06) REFUNDS/INVESTMENTS/TRANSFERS		<u>2,250,000</u>
11	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		<u>\$6,075,000</u>

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13 SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 14 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ACCESS TO
 15 JUSTICE. The General Assembly finds that the Access to Justice Foundation serves a public purpose,
 16 therefore financial accounting, general bookkeeping, management and administrative services may be
 17 provided by employees of the Arkansas Supreme Court and the Supreme Court Bar of Arkansas in
 18 support of the Arkansas Access to Justice Foundation, Inc.

19 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2014~~ 2015 through June 30,
 20 ~~2015~~ 2016.

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22 SECTION 9. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act
 23 shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of
 24 such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 25 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and
 26 Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and
 27 regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 28 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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30 SECTION 10. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds
 31 disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the
 32 stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 33 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the
 34 Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of
 35 the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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1 SECTION 11. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that
2 the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year
3 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2015 is essential to the operation of the agency for
4 which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative
5 session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2015 could work irreparable harm upon
6 the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is
7 hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace,
8 health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2015.

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