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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1234

By: Representative C. Fite

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
AND ADMINISTRATION - OFFICE OF DEAF AND HEARING
IMPAIRED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
ADMINISTRATION - OFFICE OF DEAF AND
HEARING IMPAIRED APPROPRIATION FOR THE
2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF DEAF AND HEARING IMPAIRED.

There is hereby established for the Department of Finance and Administration
- Office of Deaf and Hearing Impaired for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the
following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum	Maximum Annual
			No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2021-2022
(1)	N228N	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ODHI	1	GRADE GS14
(2)	E077C	ODHI INTERPRETER / ACCESS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS10
(3)	E078C	ODHI OUTREACH SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS10
(4)	C117C	ODHI ADMIN ASST / BUDGET SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS08



MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES

4

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF DEAF AND HEARING IMPAIRED. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Finance and Administration - Office of Deaf and Hearing Impaired for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$255,000
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	71,400
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	78,350
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	102,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	 <u><u>\$506,750</u></u>

SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING TRANSFER. (i) Immediately upon the effective date 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 thousand dollars (\$506,750) from the General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund to the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account to be used exclusively for personal services, operating expenses and grants for the Office of Deaf and Hearing Impaired.

(ii) Funds transferred to the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account for the Office of Deaf and Hearing Impaired in subsection (i) herein shall be deposited into a sub-fund in the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account that shall be carried forward from year to year for the Office of Deaf and Hearing Impaired appropriations provided by the General Assembly.

SECTION 4. 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 5. 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 6. 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, 2021 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, 2021 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, 2021.