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State of Arkansas
95th General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 1

By: Senate Efficiency

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSMEBLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION SENATE EXPENSES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Senate, to be payable from the Constitutional Officers Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

- (A) for Mileage Allowances, Per diem, Maintenance and General Operations and other expenses authorized by law, the sum of\$675,000.
- (B) for Salaries of Employees, in a sum not to exceed\$650,000.
- (C) for Employer Matching Funds, in a sum not to exceed\$75,000.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER. If the Senate Efficiency Committee and the Secretary of the Senate, subject to approval by the Arkansas Senate, should determine that any item or portion thereof appropriated herein for a specific purpose is not needed for such



purpose, the Secretary of the Senate may certify such fact to the State Auditor and the State Auditor shall cause a transfer to be made from one item to another.

SECTION 3. 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 4. 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 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly that the Arkansas Senate of the 95th General Assembly convenes in Regular Session on January 13, 2025; that expenses of the session begin immediately; and that the expenses are a just expense of the state which much be paid at the time services are provided. 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. If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto.