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HOUSE BILL 1010

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2026-2027 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum	Maximum Annual
			No. of Employees	Salary Rate Fiscal Year
				2026-2027
(1)	SCP07C	CORRECTIONS DIVISION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE EXE01
(2)	SCP05C	CORRECTIONS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR II	1	GRADE SPC06
(3)	SCP04C	CORRECTIONS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR I	4	GRADE SPC05
(4)	SCP11P	CORRECTIONS PROGRAM SUPV/EXPERT	1	GRADE SGS08



(5)	SCM10P SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SUPV/EXPERT	1	GRADE SGS08
(6)	PAS08I EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	1	GRADE SGS07
(7)	SCP08P CORRECTIONS PROGRAM COORDINATOR	35	GRADE SGS07
(8)	SCM08P SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER COORDINATOR	11	GRADE SGS07
(9)	SCP10P CORRECTIONS PROGRAM SPECIALIST	89	GRADE SGS06
(10)	SCP16P INMATE HEARING OFFICER	3	GRADE SGS06
(11)	PAS01P ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE SGS05
(12)	PAS14P RECORDS COORDINATOR	3	GRADE SGS05
(13)	PAS06I CAREER PLACEMENT SPECIALIST	15	GRADE SGS04
(14)	PAS02P ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR	57	GRADE SGS04
(15)	FGM01P GRANTS ANALYST	1	GRADE SGS04
(16)	PAS03P ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	74	GRADE SGS02
(17)	SCL01C COMMUNITY SUPERVISION MANAGER	16	GRADE LES06
(18)	SCL05P COMMUN. SUPERVISION SUPV/EXPERT	48	GRADE LES05
(19)	SCL04P COMMUNITY SUPERVISION OFFICER III	309	GRADE LES04
(20)	SCL03P COMMUNITY SUPERVISION OFFICER II	138	GRADE LES03
(21)	SCL02P COMMUNITY SUPERVISION OFFICER I	<u>102</u>	GRADE LES02
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	912	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: ten (10) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the Division of Community Correction Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction - State Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

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FISCAL YEAR

NO.	2026-2027
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$45,976,477
(02) EXTRA HELP	100,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	19,224,121
(04) OVERTIME	164,557
(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	7,300,792
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	32,180
(C) PROF. FEES	166,229
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(06) REENTRY	<u>5,285,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$78,249,356</u>

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - SPECIAL REVENUE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the Community Correction Revolving Fund, for operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction - Operations - Special Revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$12,062,870
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	100,000
(C) PROF. FEES	1,000,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,700,000
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$14,862,870</u>

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL ASSET FORFEITURE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction - Federal Asset Forfeiture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
(01) ASSET FORFEITURE	<u>\$75,000</u>

SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER PROVISION. Upon seeking and receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and review and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, the Director of the Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction is authorized to transfer appropriation from any line item authorized in the State Operations and Operations - Special Revenue Appropriations of this Act to any other line item authorized in the State Operations and Operations - Special Revenue Appropriations of this Act. Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. MOTOR

VEHICLE PURCHASE PROVISION. The Department of Corrections - Division of Community Correction is hereby authorized to purchase motor vehicles from the appropriations authorized for Capital Outlay in the State Operations and Special Revenue Operations appropriations in this Act.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~ 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

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 controllaws 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, 2026 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, 2026 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, 2026.