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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1024

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 PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - DIVISION OF HERITAGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM - DIVISION OF HERITAGE APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2026-2027 FISCAL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby established for the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

| Item No. | Class Code | Title                            | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2026-2027 |
|----------|------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| (1)      | ESE11A     | SEC OF PARKS, HERITAGE & TOURISM | 1                        | GRADE EXE04                                      |
| (2)      | EEX10A     | CHIEF OF STAFF II                | 1                        | GRADE EXE02                                      |
| (3)      | EEX26A     | PARKS DEPUTY DIRECTOR            | 1                        | GRADE SPC10                                      |
| (4)      | FAC09C     | CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER II          | 1                        | GRADE SPC10                                      |
| (5)      | LAT08C     | CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL I            | 1                        | GRADE SPC10                                      |



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| (6)  | EEX51A TOURISM DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR | 1  | GRADE SPC08 |
| (7)  | RPA02C ASSISTANT PARK DIRECTOR        | 1  | GRADE SPC07 |
| (8)  | CPR02C CHIEF OF COMMUNICATIONS II     | 1  | GRADE SPC07 |
| (9)  | FAC10C CONTROLLER                     | 1  | GRADE SPC06 |
| (10) | FAC06C ASSISTANT CONTROLLER           | 1  | GRADE SPC05 |
| (11) | HDH02C HR ADMINISTRATOR I             | 1  | GRADE SPC05 |
| (12) | FAC05P ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR/EXPERT   | 3  | GRADE SPC04 |
| (13) | FAC02P ACCOUNTANT II                  | 1  | GRADE SPC02 |
| (14) | FAC01P ACCOUNTANT I                   | 2  | GRADE SPC01 |
| (15) | RPA07C OUTDOOR RECREATION DIRECTOR    | 1  | GRADE SGS12 |
| (16) | PPR03C PROCUREMENT MANAGER            | 1  | GRADE SGS10 |
| (17) | CPR06C PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER     | 2  | GRADE SGS09 |
| (18) | HDH08P HR SUPERVISOR/EXPERT           | 1  | GRADE SGS08 |
| (19) | PPR05P PROCUREMENT SUPERVISOR/EXPERT  | 1  | GRADE SGS08 |
| (20) | CPR08P PUBLIC INFO SUPERVISOR/EXPERT  | 2  | GRADE SGS08 |
| (21) | TFM02C FACILITY MANAGER               | 1  | GRADE SGS07 |
| (22) | PAS08I EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT            | 1  | GRADE SGS07 |
| (23) | EEP03P EDUCATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR  | 1  | GRADE SGS07 |
| (24) | CME03P GRAPHIC ARTIST                 | 1  | GRADE SGS07 |
| (25) | PPR02P PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR        | 5  | GRADE SGS07 |
| (26) | CPR05P PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR | 2  | GRADE SGS07 |
| (27) | HDH04P HR ANALYST                     | 5  | GRADE SGS06 |
| (28) | RPA24P ADPHT PROGRAM. COORD           | 2  | GRADE SGS06 |
| (29) | CPR07P PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST  | 9  | GRADE SGS06 |
| (30) | FGM02P GRANTS COORDINATOR             | 2  | GRADE SGS05 |
| (31) | TIW04P INVENTORY SUPERVISOR/EXPERT    | 1  | GRADE SGS05 |
| (32) | CME04P MEDIA SPECIALIST               | 2  | GRADE SGS05 |
| (33) | PAS02P ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR     | 2  | GRADE SGS04 |
| (34) | FFS04P FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST      | 22 | GRADE SGS04 |
| (35) | HDH07P HR SPECIALIST                  | 2  | GRADE SGS04 |
| (36) | CME05P MEDIA TECHNICIAN               | 1  | GRADE SGS04 |
| (37) | TIW03P INVENTORY SPECIALIST           | 1  | GRADE SGS03 |
| (38) | TMA05P MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN         | 1  | GRADE SGS03 |
| (39) | PAS03P ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST      | 2  | GRADE SGS02 |
| (40) | IIA02C CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER II   | 1  | GRADE IST12 |
| (41) | IIS11P IT SUPERVISOR/EXPERT           | 1  | GRADE IST09 |

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| (42) | IIE06P IT SECURITY SUPERVISOR    | 1        | GRADE IST08 |
| (43) | IDM02P DATABASE ANALYST          | 1        | GRADE IST07 |
| (44) | IIS04P IT INFRASTRUCTURE ANALYST | 2        | GRADE IST06 |
| (45) | IDM03P DATABASE SPECIALIST       | 1        | GRADE IST05 |
| (46) | IGI01P GIS ANALYST               | 3        | GRADE IST05 |
| (47) | IUS01P USER SUPPORT ANALYST      | 3        | GRADE IST04 |
| (48) | IUS04P USER SUPPORT SPECIALIST   | 2        | GRADE IST02 |
| (49) | HBE02P BENEFITS COORDINATOR      | <u>1</u> | GRADE SGS06 |
|      | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES            | 104      |             |

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism 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: eleven (11) 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 - SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Shared Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM                            | FISCAL YEAR      |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| <u>NO.</u>                      | <u>2026-2027</u> |
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES           | \$5,648,733      |
| (02) EXTRA HELP                 | 90,136           |
| (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 2,093,557        |
| (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                  |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE               | 2,928,545        |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL              | 29,845           |
| (C) PROF. FEES                  | 93,241           |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                 | 50,000           |

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| (E) DATA PROC.            | <u>0</u>                   |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u><u>\$10,934,057</u></u> |

SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Division of Heritage for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

| Item No. | Class Code | Title                               | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2026-2027 |
|----------|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| (1)      | EEX27A     | PARKS, HERITAGE, & TOURISM DIV. DIR | 1                        | GRADE EXE01                                      |
| (2)      | RMA05C     | HERITAGE DEPUTY DIRECTOR            | 1                        | GRADE SPC05                                      |
| (3)      | RMA07C     | HERITAGE MANAGER II                 | 2                        | GRADE SPC04                                      |
| (4)      | RMA06C     | HERITAGE MANAGER I                  | 6                        | GRADE SPC03                                      |
| (5)      | RMA10I     | MUSEUM COORDINATOR                  | 1                        | GRADE SPC02                                      |
| (6)      | SBI02P     | BIOLOGIST II                        | 2                        | GRADE SPC02                                      |
| (7)      | SCN01I     | ARCHAEOLOGIST                       | 1                        | GRADE SPC01                                      |
| (8)      | FAC01P     | ACCOUNTANT I                        | 1                        | GRADE SPC01                                      |
| (9)      | SBI01P     | BIOLOGIST I                         | 4                        | GRADE SPC01                                      |
| (10)     | RPA25P     | ADPHT PROGRAM SUPERVISOR/EXPERT     | 9                        | GRADE SGS08                                      |
| (11)     | RMA02P     | ARCHIVIST                           | 4                        | GRADE SGS06                                      |
| (12)     | ELI01P     | LIBRARIAN                           | 1                        | GRADE SGS06                                      |
| (13)     | RMA12P     | MUSEUM SUPERVISOR/EXPERT            | 7                        | GRADE SGS06                                      |
| (14)     | RPA14P     | PARK PLANNER                        | 1                        | GRADE SGS06                                      |
| (15)     | RPA24P     | ADPHT PROGRAM COORDINATOR           | 26                       | GRADE SGS06                                      |
| (16)     | PAS01P     | ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST              | 3                        | GRADE SGS05                                      |
| (17)     | RMA04P     | EXHIBIT COORDINATOR                 | 3                        | GRADE SGS05                                      |
| (18)     | RPA03P     | GIFT SHOP SUPERVISOR/EXPERT         | 3                        | GRADE SGS05                                      |
| (19)     | RMA08P     | HISTORIAN                           | 5                        | GRADE SGS05                                      |
| (20)     | RMA09P     | HISTORIC PROPERTY COORDINATOR       | 4                        | GRADE SGS05                                      |
| (21)     | RPA23P     | ADPHT INTERPRETER II                | 3                        | GRADE SGS05                                      |
| (22)     | PAS02P     | ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR          | 9                        | GRADE SGS04                                      |
| (23)     | PEP01P     | CONSERVATION SPECIALIST             | 3                        | GRADE SGS04                                      |
| (24)     | FFS04P     | FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST           | 1                        | GRADE SGS04                                      |
| (25)     | FGM01P     | GRANTS ANALYST                      | 1                        | GRADE SGS04                                      |

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| (26) | RMA01P ARCHIVAL ASSISTANT     | 15       | GRADE SGS03 |
| (27) | TMA05P MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN | 8        | GRADE SGS03 |
| (28) | SSE01P SECURITY GUARD         | 3        | GRADE SGS03 |
| (29) | RMA11P MUSEUM SPECIALIST      | <u>5</u> | GRADE SGS02 |
|      | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES         | 133      |             |

SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Division of Heritage 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: sixty-five (65) 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 6. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Division of Arkansas Heritage Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Division of Heritage - State Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM                            | FISCAL YEAR        |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>NO.</u>                      | <u>2026-2027</u>   |
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES           | \$3,765,475        |
| (02) EXTRA HELP                 | 63,924             |
| (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 1,479,660          |
| (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                    |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE               | 1,142,659          |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL              | 7,206              |
| (C) PROF. FEES                  | 20,800             |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                 | 0                  |
| (E) DATA PROC.                  | <u>0</u>           |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED       | <u>\$6,479,724</u> |

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - AMENDMENT 75 - CONSERVATION TAX OPERATIONS.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Arkansas Division of Heritage Special Fund Account, for personal services, operating expenses, grants and aid, construction, and special maintenance of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Division of Heritage - Amendment 75 - Conservation Tax Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                               | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027  |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES                     | \$1,090,886               |
| (02) EXTRA HELP                           | 421,640                   |
| (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING           | 472,912                   |
| (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION              |                           |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE                         | 2,458,170                 |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL                        | 100,000                   |
| (C) PROF. FEES                            | 875,000                   |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                           | 250,000                   |
| (E) DATA PROC.                            | 0                         |
| (05) GRANTS/AID-HERITAGE PROGRAMS         | 1,113,841                 |
| (06) DAH-MUSEUM/FACILITY CONSTRUCTION     | 600,000                   |
| (07) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE                  | 688,471                   |
| (08) BLACK HISTORY COMMISSION             | 13,930                    |
| (09) GRANTS/AID-OUACHITA RIVER COMMISSION | <u>20,000</u>             |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED                 | <u><u>\$8,104,850</u></u> |

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - DELTA CULTURAL CENTER - CASH FUND OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, 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 and cost of goods sold for resale of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Delta Cultural Center - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                  | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION |                          |

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE         | \$75,000                |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL        | 0                       |
| (C) PROF. FEES            | 0                       |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY           | 0                       |
| (E) DATA PROC.            | 0                       |
| (02) RESALE (COGS)        | <u>45,000</u>           |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u><u>\$120,000</u></u> |

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - MOSAIC TEMPLARS CULTURAL CENTER - CASH FUND OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for museum gift shop operations and cost of goods sold for resale of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Mosaic Templars of America Center for African-American Culture and Business Enterprise - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                  | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION |                          |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE            | \$25,000                 |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL           | 0                        |
| (C) PROF. FEES               | 0                        |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY              | 0                        |
| (E) DATA PROC.               | 0                        |
| (02) RESALE (COGS)           | <u>20,000</u>            |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED    | <u><u>\$45,000</u></u>   |

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - OLD STATE HOUSE COMMISSION - CASH FUND OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and cost of goods sold for resale of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Old State House Commission - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM NO.                        | FISCAL YEAR             |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                 | 2026-2027               |
| (01) EXTRA HELP                 | \$20,430                |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 1,755                   |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                         |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE               | 100,000                 |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL              | 500                     |
| (C) PROF. FEES                  | 15,000                  |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                 | 0                       |
| (E) DATA PROC.                  | 0                       |
| (04) RESALE (COGS)              | <u>20,000</u>           |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED       | <u><u>\$157,685</u></u> |

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - HISTORIC PRESERVATION - REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAX OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Natural and Cultural Resources Historic Preservation Fund, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid for historic preservation and main street programs of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Historic Preservation - Real Estate Transfer Tax Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM NO.                                                           | FISCAL YEAR       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
|                                                                    | 2026-2027         |
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES                                              | \$0               |
| (02) EXTRA HELP                                                    | 0                 |
| (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING                                    | 0                 |
| (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION                                       |                   |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE                                                  | 0                 |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL                                                 | 0                 |
| (C) PROF. FEES                                                     | 0                 |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                                                    | 0                 |
| (E) DATA PROC.                                                     | 0                 |
| (05) GRANTS AND AID FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION/MAIN STREET PROGRAMS | <u>0</u>          |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED                                          | <u><u>\$0</u></u> |

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - HISTORIC PRESERVATION - FEDERAL PROGRAM.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid for historic preservation of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Historic Preservation - Federal Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                                      | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027  |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES                            | \$707,855                 |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING                  | 273,474                   |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION                     |                           |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE                                | 125,000                   |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL                               | 5,000                     |
| (C) PROF. FEES                                   | 0                         |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                                  | 0                         |
| (E) DATA PROC.                                   | 0                         |
| (04) GRANTS AND AID FOR HISTORIC<br>PRESERVATION | <u>500,000</u>            |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED                        | <u><u>\$1,611,329</u></u> |

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - HISTORIC PRESERVATION - MAIN STREET

ARKANSAS - CASH FUND OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Historic Preservation - Main Street Arkansas - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                     | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES           | \$59,493                 |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 21,586                   |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                          |

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE         | 25,000                  |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL        | 0                       |
| (C) PROF. FEES            | 0                       |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY           | 0                       |
| (E) DATA PROC.            | <u>0</u>                |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u><u>\$106,079</u></u> |

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION - NATURAL AREA MANAGEMENT - CASH FUND OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, 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, special maintenance, and land acquisition of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Natural Heritage Commission - Natural Area Management - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM                         | FISCAL YEAR             |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>NO.</u>                   | <u>2026-2027</u>        |
| (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION |                         |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE            | \$50,000                |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL           | 1,000                   |
| (C) PROF. FEES               | 0                       |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY              | 0                       |
| (E) DATA PROC.               | 0                       |
| (02) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE     | 10,000                  |
| (03) LAND ACQUISITION        | <u>195,076</u>          |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED    | <u><u>\$256,076</u></u> |

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION - NATURAL AREA RESEARCH - CASH FUND OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Natural Heritage Commission - Natural Area Research - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                     | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) EXTRA HELP                 | \$10,000                 |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 1,632                    |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                          |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE               | 10,000                   |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL              | 0                        |
| (C) PROF. FEES                  | 0                        |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                 | 0                        |
| (E) DATA PROC.                  | 0                        |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED       | <u>\$21,632</u>          |

SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION - GAS ROYALTY EXPENSES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Division of Arkansas Heritage Fund Account, for gas royalty expenses of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Natural Heritage Commission - Gas Royalty Expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.               | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) GAS ROYALTY EXPENSES | <u>\$440,000</u>         |

SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION - FEDERAL PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, special maintenance, and land acquisition of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Natural Heritage Commission - Federal Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                     | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES           | \$49,143                 |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 19,208                   |

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|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION |                           |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE            | 200,000                   |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL           | 1,000                     |
| (C) PROF. FEES               | 0                         |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY              | 0                         |
| (E) DATA PROC.               | 0                         |
| (04) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE     | 20,000                    |
| (05) LAND ACQUISITION        | <u>1,700,000</u>          |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED    | <u><u>\$1,989,351</u></u> |

SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - HISTORIC ARKANSAS MUSEUM COMMISSION - CASH FUND OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and cost of goods sold for resale of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Historic Arkansas Museum Commission - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM                            | FISCAL YEAR             |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>NO.</u>                      | <u>2026-2027</u>        |
| (01) EXTRA HELP                 | \$113,550               |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 11,015                  |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                         |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE               | 10,000                  |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL              | 1,250                   |
| (C) PROF. FEES                  | 0                       |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                 | 0                       |
| (E) DATA PROC.                  | 0                       |
| (04) RESALE (COGS)              | <u>55,000</u>           |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED       | <u><u>\$190,815</u></u> |

SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE ARCHIVES - CASH FUND OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, 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 Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Arkansas State Archives - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                  | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION |                          |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE            | \$35,000                 |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL           | 0                        |
| (C) PROF. FEES               | 0                        |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY              | 0                        |
| (E) DATA PROC.               | <u>0</u>                 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED    | <u><u>\$35,000</u></u>   |

SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE ARCHIVES - NATIONAL DIGITAL NEWSPAPER PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Arkansas State Archives - National Digital Newspaper Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                     | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES           | \$181,476                |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 49,605                   |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                          |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE               | 66,500                   |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL              | 10,000                   |
| (C) PROF. FEES                  | 0                        |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                 | 0                        |
| (E) DATA PROC.                  | <u>0</u>                 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED       | <u><u>\$307,581</u></u>  |

SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS ARTS COUNCIL - FEDERAL PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and

Tourism, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Arkansas Arts Council - Federal Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM NO.                          | FISCAL YEAR             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | 2026-2027               |
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES             | \$45,301                |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING   | 20,592                  |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION      |                         |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE                 | 82,385                  |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL                | 10,000                  |
| (C) PROF. FEES                    | 0                       |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                   | 0                       |
| (E) DATA PROC.                    | 0                       |
| (04) GRANTS AND AID-ARTS PROGRAMS | <u>738,063</u>          |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED         | <u><u>\$896,341</u></u> |

SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS ARTS COUNCIL - CASH FUND

OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, 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 and grants and aid of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Arkansas Arts Council - Cash Fund Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM NO.                            | FISCAL YEAR    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
|                                     | 2026-2027      |
| (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION        |                |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE                   | \$14,210       |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL                  | 6,000          |
| (C) PROF. FEES                      | 0              |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                     | 0              |
| (E) DATA PROC.                      | 0              |
| (02) GRANTS/AID BY THE ARTS COUNCIL | <u>278,979</u> |

TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED \$299,189

SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL - ADMINISTRATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Arkansas Natural and Cultural Resources Grant and Trust Fund, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Natural and Cultural Resources Council - Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM                                                       | FISCAL YEAR       |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <u>NO.</u>                                                 | <u>2026-2027</u>  |
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES                                      | \$0               |
| (02) EXTRA HELP                                            | 0                 |
| (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING                            | 0                 |
| (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION                               |                   |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE                                          | 0                 |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL                                         | 0                 |
| (C) PROF. FEES                                             | 0                 |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY                                            | 0                 |
| (E) DATA PROC.                                             | 0                 |
| (05) GRANTS AND AID NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL | <u>0</u>          |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED                                  | <u><u>\$0</u></u> |

SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL - STATE OWNED LANDS OR HISTORIC SITES GRANT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Arkansas Natural and Cultural Resources Grant and Trust Fund, for grants for the acquisition, management, stewardship, or preservation of state owned lands, historic sites, buildings, structures, or objects of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Natural and Cultural Resources Council - State Owned Lands or Historic Sites Grant Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

|      |             |
|------|-------------|
| ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
|------|-------------|

| NO.                                                        | 2026-2027           |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| (01) GRANTS/AID FOR STATE-OWNED LANDS OR<br>HISTORIC SITES | <u>\$48,000,000</u> |

SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL - MAIN STREET PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Natural and Cultural Resources Historic Preservation Fund, for funds to augment federal funding and provide programs and grants of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Natural and Cultural Resources Council - Main Street Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                                                                | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) GRANTS/AID FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION<br>PROGRAM & MAIN STREET PROGRAM | <u>\$6,000,000</u>       |

SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS MAJOR HISTORIC REHABILITATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, to be payable from the Arkansas Major Historic Rehabilitation Trust Fund, for expenses to offset the cost of the income tax credits allowed under the Arkansas Major Historic Rehabilitation Income Tax Credit Act of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Arkansas Major Historic Rehabilitation Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

| ITEM<br>NO.                                                     | FISCAL YEAR<br>2026-2027 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) ARKANSAS MAJOR HISTORIC<br>REHABILITATION PROGRAM EXPENSES | <u>\$40,000,000</u>      |

SECTION 27. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PROMOTIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS. The Division of Arkansas Heritage is hereby authorized to purchase from Maintenance and General Operations appropriations provided by this Act, up to an amount not to exceed \$40,000

each fiscal year, promotional and educational merchandise, authorized by the Division Director of the Division of Arkansas Heritage, to inform the public of the Division's programs, to promote the functions of the Division, and to inform the public regarding the services provided by the Division.

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

SECTION 28. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL. The Secretary of the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism shall be the disbursing officer for the Arkansas Natural and Cultural Resources Council appropriation and the Main Street Program appropriation provided by this Act. Further, if grants are made to state agencies from the Arkansas Natural and Cultural Resources Council appropriation, and the Main Street Program appropriation provided herein, the corresponding amount of appropriation and funding of such grant may be transferred to such state agency for use in classifications of expenditures as determined by conditions of the grant and the state agency.

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

SECTION 29. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

SHARED SERVICES. (a)(1) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may create a Shared Services paying accounts on his or her books and on the books of the Treasurer of State and the Auditor of State for the payment of personal services and operating expenses in the Shared Services Paying Account Appropriation by the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism.

(2) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall direct the transfer of funds and appropriations to the Shared Services Paying Account appropriation section of this act on the books of the Treasurer of State, the Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

(3) The transfer authority provided to the department in subdivision (a)(2) of this section may be used to make transfers only within the department's appropriation act or between other appropriation acts authorized for the department.

(4) The provisions of this section shall be in effect from the date of passage through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

SECTION 30. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. OUACHITA RIVER COMMISSION. The Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism - Division of Heritage shall budget, allocate, and expend twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) in grants to the Ouachita River Commission from the Grants/Aid-Ouachita River Commission line item in the Amendment 75 - Conservation Tax Operations appropriation section, to be used exclusively as determined by the Ouachita River Commission.

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

SECTION 31. 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 32. 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 33. 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.