

1 State of Arkansas
2 95th General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 20

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 CORRECTIONS - ARKANSAS SENTENCING COMMISSION FOR THE
12 FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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17 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
18 - ARKANSAS SENTENCING COMMISSION
19 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL
20 YEAR.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established
26 for the Department of Corrections - Arkansas Sentencing Commission for the
27 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.
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Item Class		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code Title	No. of	Salary Rate
		Employees	Fiscal Year
			2025-2026
33	(1) U081U ARKANSAS SENTENCING COMMISSION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS13
34	(2) G073C ATTORNEY	1	GRADE GS10
35	(3) X038C QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS09
36	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	3	



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 2 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 3 to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the Miscellaneous
 4 Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 5 Department of Corrections - Arkansas Sentencing Commission for the fiscal
 6 year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

8 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
9 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
10 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$220,125
11 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	74,323
12 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
13 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	143,807
14 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,550
15 (C) PROF. FEES	32,952
16 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
17 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
18 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$475,757</u></u>

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 20 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 21 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 22 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 23 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 24 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 25 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 26 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 27 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 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
 31 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
 32 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
 33 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 34 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
 35 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
 36 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative

1 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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3 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
4 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
5 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
6 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2025 is essential to the operation of
7 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
8 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
9 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2025 could work irreparable harm
10 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
11 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
12 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
13 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2025.

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