

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1162

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL
10 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE STATE
11 DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
12 DISABILITY DETERMINATION FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD
13 ENDING JUNE 30, 2007; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR
17 SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
18 DISABILITY DETERMINATION APPROPRIATION
19 FOR THE 2005-2007 BIENNIUM.
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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. There is hereby established for the State
26 Department for Social Security Administration Disability Determination for
27 the 2005-2007 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees
28 whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform
29 Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or
30 its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any
31 position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in
32 dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform Classification
33 and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions authorized herein are
34 hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and
35 Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its successor.
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1			Maximum Annual			
2			Maximum	Salary Rate		
3	Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Years		
4	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2005-2006	2006-2007
5	(1)	6617	PSYCHIATRIC SPECIALIST	1	\$143,925	\$146,993
6	(2)	6627	DDSSA CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER	1	\$137,574	\$140,547
7	(3)	6630	DDSSA ASST CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER	1	\$130,522	\$133,389
8	(4)	6632	DDSSA MEDICAL CONSULTANT	10	\$120,687	\$123,407
9	(5)	9943	DIS DET DIRECTOR	1	\$87,707	\$89,923
10	(6)	202Z	DDSSA ASST DIRECTOR	1	GRADE 26	
11	(7)	201Z	DDSSA ASST DIR FOR ADMIN/FISCAL SVC	1	GRADE 25	
12	(8)	203Z	DDSSA ASST DIR- UNIT OPERATIONS	1	GRADE 24	
13	(9)	821Z	DDSSA ASST DIR - QUALITY ASSURANCE	1	GRADE 24	
14	(10)	055Z	DP MANAGER	1	GRADE 23	
15	(11)	R089	DDSSA HR AND LEGAL COMPLIANCE MGR	1	GRADE 23	
16	(12)	R179	DDSSA PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS MGR	1	GRADE 23	
17	(13)	X325	DDSSA CLAIMS HEARING MANAGER	1	GRADE 23	
18	(14)	R181	DDSSA QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER	1	GRADE 22	
19	(15)	D124	LEAD PROGRAMMER/ANALYST	1	GRADE 22	
20	(16)	A008	ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR II	1	GRADE 21	
21	(17)	X324	CLAIMS HEARING OFFICER II	28	GRADE 21	
22	(18)	R298	AGENCY PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 21	
23	(19)	R324	DDSSA UNIT SUPERVISOR	11	GRADE 21	
24	(20)	R025	MEDICAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 20	
25	(21)	R266	MANAGEMENT PROJECT ANALYST II	6	GRADE 20	
26	(22)	X326	DDSSA QUALITY CONTROL ANALYST	2	GRADE 20	
27	(23)	X340	CLAIMS HEARING OFFICER I	3	GRADE 20	
28	(24)	X360	DDSSA CASE CONSULTANT	4	GRADE 20	
29	(25)	D020	DP SUPERVISOR II	3	GRADE 19	
30	(26)	X440	DDSSA CLAIMS ADJUDICATOR III	118	GRADE 19	
31	(27)	A111	ACCOUNTANT	1	GRADE 18	
32	(28)	D129	DP COORDINATOR	1	GRADE 18	
33	(29)	X386	DDSSA CLAIMS ADJUDICATOR II	4	GRADE 18	
34	(30)	V040	PURCHASE AGENT II/PURCHASE AGENT	1	GRADE 18	
35	(31)	R010	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II	27	GRADE 17	
36	(32)	R162	STATISTICIAN/STATISTICIAN II	1	GRADE 17	

1	(33)	X322	DDSSA CLAIMS ADJUDICATOR I	1	GRADE 17
2	(34)	W015	MEDICAL RECORDS TECHNICIAN	2	GRADE 15
3	(35)	A108	ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN II	2	GRADE 15
4	(36)	K117	MEDICAL OR LEGAL SECRETARY	35	GRADE 14
5	(37)	K153	SECRETARY II	5	GRADE 13
6	(38)	K039	DOCUMENT EXAMINER II	<u>1</u>	GRADE 12
7			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	283	

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9 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the State
 10 Department for Social Security Administration Disability Determination for
 11 the 2005-2007 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or
 12 temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds
 13 appropriated herein for such purposes: twenty (20) temporary or part-time
 14 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the
 15 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act
 16 for the appropriate classification.

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18 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM. There is hereby
 19 appropriated, to be payable from the funds and fund accounts as set out
 20 herein, to the State Department for Social Security Administration Disability
 21 Determination for the biennial period ending June 30, 2007, the following:

22 (a) For the DDSSA-Administration Program, the sum of \$3,380,582 for the
 23 2005-2006 fiscal year and \$3,416,051 for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

24 (1) Program Description. The Administration Program provides structure
 25 and relationship among the various units of the agency, responsible for
 26 disability determinations. It provides performance criteria such as the rate
 27 of accuracy of decisions and the time periods within which determinations
 28 must be made and fiscal control procedures and submission of reports and
 29 other data as required.

30	(2) Appropriation payable from:		FISCAL YEARS	
31			<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>2006-2007</u>
32	(A) Federal Funds as designated by			
33	the Chief Fiscal Officer of the			
34	State	\$	3,380,582	\$ 3,416,051

35 (3) Performance Targets:
 36 (A) % of agency key performance

1	objectives and targets met	83%	83%
2	(B) % of budget in the		
3	Administration Program compared		
4	to total agency budget	18%	18%
5	(C) Number of prior year audit		
6	findings repeated in subsequent		
7	audit	1	0

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9 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - DISABILITY DETERMINATION PROGRAM. There is

10 hereby appropriated, to be payable from the funds and fund accounts as set

11 out herein, to the State Department for Social Security Administration

12 Disability Determination for the biennial period ending June 30, 2007, the

13 following:

14 (a) For the DDSSA-Disability Determination Program, the sum of \$20,621,153

15 for the 2005-2006 fiscal year and \$20,958,514 for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

16 (1) Program Description. The Disability Determination Program is defined

17 as the adjudicative process to make disability decisions in accordance to

18 precise federal regulations. The Federal Government has responsibility for

19 establishing criteria, approving the agency budget, issuing national

20 instructions and developing policies and procedures. Applications for

21 Disability Benefits are filed with Social Security district offices. These

22 offices assist in completing the claimant's application and then forward the

23 application to the State Disability Agency for Determination.

24 (2) Appropriation payable from:

	FISCAL YEARS	
	<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>2006-2007</u>
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26 (A) Federal Funds as designated by		
27 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the		
28 State	\$ 20,621,153	\$ 20,958,514

29 (3) Performance Targets:

30 (A) Adjudication Accuracy Rate	95%	95%
31 (B) Application processing time.	85 days	85 days
32 (C) Average number of cases disposed of		
33 by each full time equivalent		
34 employee per year	240	250
35 (D) Percentage of cases reviewed		
36 for the purpose of continuing or		

1 ceasing disability benefits 16% of workload 16% of workload

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 3 SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXTRA
 5 HELP RESTRICTION. No extra help employee of Disability Determination for
 6 Social Security Administration shall be employed for a period of time to
 7 exceed eighteen hundred (1800) hours in any single fiscal year.

8 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2005
 9 through June 30, 2007.

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 11 SECTION 6. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
 12 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
 13 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
 14 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 15 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 16 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 17 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 18 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 19 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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 21 SECTION 7. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
 22 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
 23 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
 24 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
 25 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
 26 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
 27 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
 28 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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 30 SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
 31 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
 32 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
 33 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2005 is essential to the operation of
 34 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
 35 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
 36 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2005 could work irreparable harm upon the

1 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
2 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
3 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
4 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2005.

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