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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1088

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 FINANCE
11 AND ADMINISTRATION - CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FOR
12 THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
17 ADMINISTRATION - CHILD SUPPORT
18 ENFORCEMENT APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-
19 2026 FISCAL 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. There is hereby established for the
26 Department of Finance and Administration - Child Support Enforcement for the
27 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.
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| Item No. | Class Code | Title | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual |
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| | | | | Salary Rate Fiscal Year |
| | | | | 2025-2026 |
| 33 | (1) N034N | DFA OCSE ADMINISTRATOR | 1 | GRADE SE02 |
| 34 | (2) D005N | DFA IT TECHNICAL SPECIALIST | 2 | GRADE IT11 |
| 35 | (3) D002C | DFA OIS ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR | 1 | GRADE IT10 |
| 36 | (4) A003C | DFA REVENUE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR | 1 | GRADE GS14 |



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| 1 | (5) | A010C AGENCY CONTROLLER II | 1 | GRADE GS13 |
| 2 | (6) | G225C DFA OCSE FIELD OPERATIONS MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS13 |
| 3 | (7) | G025C ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR | 5 | GRADE GS12 |
| 4 | (8) | G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST | 46 | GRADE GS11 |
| 5 | (9) | G223C DFA OCSE DIVISION MANAGER | 2 | GRADE GS10 |
| 6 | (10) | G226C DFA OCSE PROGRAM MANAGER | 2 | GRADE GS10 |
| 7 | (11) | A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR | 2 | GRADE GS09 |
| 8 | (12) | G224C DFA OCSE FIELD MANAGER | 6 | GRADE GS09 |
| 9 | (13) | G227C DFA OCSE PROGRAM SUPERVISOR | 17 | GRADE GS08 |
| 10 | (14) | E026C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION COORDINATOR | 1 | GRADE GS08 |
| 11 | (15) | A060C SENIOR AUDITOR | 1 | GRADE GS08 |
| 12 | (16) | A081C AUDITOR | 2 | GRADE GS07 |
| 13 | (17) | M029C CHILD SUPPORT SUPERVISOR II | 18 | GRADE GS07 |
| 14 | (18) | E048C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION SPECIALIST | 1 | GRADE GS07 |
| 15 | (19) | C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST | 1 | GRADE GS06 |
| 16 | (20) | M052C CHILD SUPPORT SUPERVISOR I | 54 | GRADE GS06 |
| 17 | (21) | A074C FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR | 4 | GRADE GS06 |
| 18 | (22) | R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST | 1 | GRADE GS06 |
| 19 | (23) | P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST | 1 | GRADE GS06 |
| 20 | (24) | E046C TRAINING INSTRUCTOR | 3 | GRADE GS06 |
| 21 | (25) | M067C CHILD SUPPORT COORDINATOR | 12 | GRADE GS05 |
| 22 | (26) | M068C CHILD SUPPORT SPECIALIST | 279 | GRADE GS05 |
| 23 | (27) | A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST | 11 | GRADE GS05 |
| 24 | (28) | C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III | 1 | GRADE GS04 |
| 25 | (29) | A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST | 2 | GRADE GS04 |
| 26 | (30) | C046C LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST | 63 | GRADE GS04 |
| 27 | (31) | C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II | 3 | GRADE GS03 |
| 28 | (32) | C059C DFA SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE | <u>230</u> | GRADE GS03 |
| 29 | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 775 | |

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31 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department
 32 of Finance and Administration - Child Support Enforcement for the 2025-2026
 33 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary
 34 employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated
 35 herein for such purposes: fifteen (15) temporary or part-time employees, when
 36 needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform

1 Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the
 2 appropriate classification.

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 4 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 5 to the Department of Finance and Administration, to be payable from the Child
 6 Support Enforcement Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 7 Department of Finance and Administration - Child Support Enforcement for the
 8 fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

| 10 ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
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| 11 <u>NO.</u> | <u>2025-2026</u> |
| 12 (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$34,887,633 |
| 13 (02) EXTRA HELP | 100,000 |
| 14 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 14,159,618 |
| 15 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| 16 (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 14,535,654 |
| 17 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 25,000 |
| 18 (C) PROF. FEES | 250,000 |
| 19 (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 100,000 |
| 20 (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
| 21 (05) DATA PROCESSING AND EQUIPMENT EXPENSE | <u>13,848,483</u> |
| 22 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u><u>\$77,906,388</u></u> |

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 24 SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 25 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXTRA
 26 HELP EXEMPTION. Extra Help positions authorized herein are specifically
 27 exempt from limitation of hours, either by act or regulation. Provided,
 28 however, when a temporary or part-time employee is employed by the Department
 29 of Finance and Administration - Office of Child Support Enforcement for a
 30 period of time exceeding seven (7) months, a report of such shall be filed
 31 with the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

32 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
 33 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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 35 SECTION 5. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 36 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency

1 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 2 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 3 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 4 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 5 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 6 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 7 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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 9 SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
 10 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
 11 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
 12 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 13 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
 14 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
 15 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
 16 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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