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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1200

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
10 AND ENVIRONMENT - DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
11 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026; AND FOR
12 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND
16 ENVIRONMENT - DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL
17 QUALITY APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026
18 FISCAL YEAR.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby
25 established for the Department of Energy and Environment for the 2025-2026
26 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.
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Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
32	(1) SC005	SECRETARY OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT	1	GRADE SE05
33	(2) N218N	E&E CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE SE02
34	(3) N257N	E & E EXECUTIVE CHIEF OF STAFF	1	GRADE SE01
35	(4) D129C	E&E DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECH	1	GRADE IT10
36	(5) G298C	E & E CHIEF COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS15



1	(6)	N230N E&E CHIEF OF STAFF	1	GRADE GS15
2	(7)	N205N E&E DIRECTOR OF COMPLIANCE	1	GRADE GS13
3	(8)	N204N E&E DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL PROJECTS	1	GRADE GS13
4	(9)	G019C GENERAL COUNSEL	3	GRADE GS13
5	(10)	G004C MANAGING ATTORNEY	1	GRADE GS13
6	(11)	G035C ADEQ ADMINISTRATION DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
7	(12)	G025C ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS12
8	(13)	G024C DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE	1	GRADE GS12
9	(14)	P079C E&E CHIEF OF COMMUNICATIONS	1	GRADE GS12
10	(15)	G028C E&E TECHNICAL OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
11	(16)	A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
12	(17)	A031C ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	1	GRADE GS11
13	(18)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	5	GRADE GS11
14	(19)	G076C ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10
15	(20)	A044C AUDIT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS10
16	(21)	B037C CHEMIST SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS09
17	(22)	A038C FISCAL SUPPORT MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
18	(23)	R021C BUDGET ANALYST	1	GRADE GS08
19	(24)	G139C E&E FACILITY SUPPORT SVCS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
20	(25)	G093C OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
21	(26)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	2	GRADE GS07
22	(27)	X054C ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS07
23	(28)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
24	(29)	A075C FINANCIAL ANALYST I	1	GRADE GS07
25	(30)	B051C GEOLOGIST	1	GRADE GS07
26	(31)	G147C GRANTS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
27	(32)	P013C PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS07
28	(33)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
29	(34)	S024C CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE COORD	1	GRADE GS06
30	(35)	X082C E&E INSPECTOR II	1	GRADE GS06
31	(36)	P049C GRAPHIC ARTIST	1	GRADE GS06
32	(37)	R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
33	(38)	G179C LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	5	GRADE GS06
34	(39)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
35	(40)	C050C ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS05
36	(41)	S025C BUILDING AND GROUNDS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS05

1	(42)	A090C PAYROLL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05
2	(43)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	2	GRADE GS04
3	(44)	R036C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
4	(45)	S046C MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	4	GRADE GS04
5	(46)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS03
6		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	64	

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 8 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT. There is
 9 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be
 10 payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 11 the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of
 12 Energy and Environment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 13 following:
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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
17	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$4,273,710
18	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,495,471
19	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
20	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,250,000
21	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	85,000
22	(C) PROF. FEES	450,000
23	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	250,000
24	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
25	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$7,804,181</u>

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 27 SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the
 28 Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality for
 29 the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.
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31			Maximum Annual
32		Maximum	Salary Rate
33	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
34	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
35	(1) U015U DEQ DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE03
36	(2) D007C INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	1	GRADE IT08

1	(3)	D030C INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	3	GRADE IT07
2	(4)	D039C NETWORK SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT06
3	(5)	D063C COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT05
4	(6)	D052C SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	7	GRADE IT05
5	(7)	D068C INFORMATION SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT04
6	(8)	D065C NETWORK SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE IT04
7	(9)	D064C WEBSITE DEVELOPER	1	GRADE IT04
8	(10)	N195N DEQ ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	3	GRADE GS15
9	(11)	N180N E&E ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR ENERGY	1	GRADE GS14
10	(12)	B146C E&E PROF ENGINEER SENIOR MANAGER	3	GRADE GS13
11	(13)	B012C E&E SENIOR MANAGER	4	GRADE GS13
12	(14)	B151C AIR QUALITY MODELER	1	GRADE GS12
13	(15)	G025C ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS12
14	(16)	G032C E&E ENERGY OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
15	(17)	B142C E&E ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATIONS MANAGER	4	GRADE GS12
16	(18)	B015C ENGINEER SUPERVISOR	11	GRADE GS12
17	(19)	G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
18	(20)	N203N E&E DIRECTOR OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES	1	GRADE GS11
19	(21)	A021N E&E ENERGY FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS11
20	(22)	G013C E&E ENERGY PROGRAM MANAGER	2	GRADE GS11
21	(23)	B023C ENGINEER, P.E.	15	GRADE GS11
22	(24)	G063C E&E BRANCH MANAGER	17	GRADE GS10
23	(25)	L099C EPIDEMIOLOGY SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS10
24	(26)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS09
25	(27)	B037C CHEMIST SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS09
26	(28)	B042C ENGINEER	25	GRADE GS09
27	(29)	L028C EPIDEMIOLOGIST	5	GRADE GS09
28	(30)	B035C GEOLOGY SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE GS09
29	(31)	G109C GRANTS MANAGER	3	GRADE GS09
30	(32)	P004C PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
31	(33)	B055C ECOLOGIST COORDINATOR	3	GRADE GS08
32	(34)	B043C PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST	16	GRADE GS08
33	(35)	E023C TRAINING PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
34	(36)	B081C CHEMIST	8	GRADE GS07
35	(37)	G159C DEPARTMENT BUSINESS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
36	(38)	X059C E&E COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR	5	GRADE GS07

1	(39)	X036C E&E INSPECTOR SUPERVISOR I	14	GRADE GS07
2	(40)	B065C ECOLOGIST	7	GRADE GS07
3	(41)	G248C ENERGY PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS07
4	(42)	X054C ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM COORDINATOR	22	GRADE GS07
5	(43)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
6	(44)	A075C FINANCIAL ANALYST I	2	GRADE GS07
7	(45)	G147C GRANTS COORDINATOR	3	GRADE GS07
8	(46)	P020C PRODUCTION ARTIST	1	GRADE GS07
9	(47)	P013C PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
10	(48)	A072C RESEARCH & STATISTICS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
11	(49)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	19	GRADE GS06
12	(50)	R027C BUDGET SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
13	(51)	X075C E&E COMPLIANCE ANALYST	14	GRADE GS06
14	(52)	X093C E&E INSPECTOR II	74	GRADE GS06
15	(53)	G180C GRANTS ANALYST	6	GRADE GS06
16	(54)	G178C POLICY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS06
17	(55)	P027C PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
18	(56)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	18	GRADE GS04
19	(57)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS03
20		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	348	

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 22 SECTION 4. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Department
 23 of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality for the 2025-
 24 2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary
 25 employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated
 26 herein for such purposes: seventy (70) temporary or part-time employees, when
 27 needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform
 28 Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the
 29 appropriate classification.

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 31 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 32 appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from
 33 the Division of Environmental Quality Fund Account, for personal services and
 34 operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of
 35 Environmental Quality - State Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 36 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,278,483
(02) EXTRA HELP	25,674
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	817,949
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	403,183
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	32,115
(C) PROF. FEES	79,100
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$3,636,504</u>

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, 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 Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Federal Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$5,730,066
(02) EXTRA HELP	148,585
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,197,378
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,364,398
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	372,173
(C) PROF. FEES	1,521,755
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,148,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) DIESEL EMISSION REDUCTION AWARD GRANTS	2,766,000
(06) INDIRECT COSTS	<u>586,157</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$16,834,512</u>

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - WASTE WATER LICENSING PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Wastewater Licensing Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Waste Water Licensing Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$94,758
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	44,448
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	76,721
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$320,927</u></u>

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - LAND RECLAMATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Land Reclamation Fund, for land reclamation contracts of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Land Reclamation Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) RECLAMATION CONTRACTS	<u><u>\$400,000</u></u>

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Hazardous Waste Permit Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Hazardous Waste Permit Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

1	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
2	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
3	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$914,172
4	(02) EXTRA HELP	15,795
5	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	349,544
6	(04) OVERTIME	1,250
7	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	140,544
9	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,700
10	(C) PROF. FEES	10,150
11	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	175,000
12	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
13	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,617,155</u></u>

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15 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - RECLAMATION OF ABANDONED MINES PROGRAM.

16 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to

17 be payable from the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund, for contractual services

18 of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental

19 Quality - Reclamation of Abandoned Mines Program for the fiscal year ending

20 June 30, 2026, the following:

22	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
23	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
24	(01) ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION	
25	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	<u><u>\$5,700,000</u></u>

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27 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - SURFACE COAL MINING PROGRAM. There is

28 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be

29 payable from the Surface Coal Mining Operation Fund, for operating expenses

30 of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental

31 Quality - Surface Coal Mining Program for the fiscal year ending June 30,

32 2026, the following:

34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
36	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

1	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$15,000
2	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
3	(C) PROF. FEES	0
4	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
5	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$15,000</u></u>

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8 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - MINING RECLAMATION PROGRAM. There is

9 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be

10 payable from the Mine Reclamation Trust Fund, for contractual services of the

11 Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality -

12 Mining Reclamation Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the

13 following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
17	(01) MINING RECLAMATION CONTRACTUAL	
18	SERVICES	<u><u>\$1,520,000</u></u>

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20 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - FEE ADMINISTRATION. There is hereby

21 appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from

22 the Division of Environmental Quality Fee Trust Fund, for personal services

23 and operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division

24 of Environmental Quality - Fee Administration for the fiscal year ending June

25 30, 2026, the following:

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27	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
29	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$8,033,237
30	(02) EXTRA HELP	45,000
31	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	3,016,630
32	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,395,641
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	175,516
35	(C) PROF. FEES	600,000
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,050,000

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(05) DIESEL EMISSION REDUCTION AWARDS	
3	GRANTS	<u>1,079,000</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$16,395,024</u>

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6 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - SOLID WASTE PERFORMANCE BONDS PROGRAM.

7 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to

8 be payable from the Solid Waste Performance Bond Fund, for contractual

9 services of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of

10 Environmental Quality - Solid Waste Performance Bonds Program for the fiscal

11 year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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13	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
15	(01) SOLID WASTE PERFORMANCE BONDS	
16	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	<u>\$2,000,000</u>

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18 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAM. There is

19 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be

20 payable from the Hazardous Substance Remedial Action Trust Fund, for personal

21 services and operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment -

22 Division of Environmental Quality - Hazardous Waste Cleanup Program for the

23 fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
27	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$347,555
28	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	123,381
29	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	302,191
31	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	35,960
32	(C) PROF. FEES	215,000
33	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
34	(E) DATA PROC.	0
35	(04) CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	6,194,000
36	(05) DATA PROCESSING PURCHASES	<u>453,937</u>

1 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED \$7,672,024

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3 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM. There is
 4 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be
 5 payable from the Hazardous Substance Remedial Action Trust Fund, for
 6 contractual services of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division
 7 of Environmental Quality - Emergency Response Program for the fiscal year
 8 ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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10 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
11 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
12 (01) CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	<u>\$372,655</u>

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14 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - ASBESTOS CONTROL PROGRAM. There is hereby
 15 appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from
 16 the Asbestos Control Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of
 17 the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality
 18 - Asbestos Control Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 19 following:

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21 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
22 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
23 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$199,684
24 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	76,787
25 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
26 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	54,452
27 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	4,090
28 (C) PROF. FEES	27,100
29 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
30 (E) DATA PROC.	0
31 (04) ASBESTOS CONTROL PROGRAM GRANTS	<u>150,000</u>
32 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$512,113</u>

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34 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING
 35 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and
 36 Environment, to be payable from the Solid Waste Management and Recycling

1 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of
 2 Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Solid Waste
 3 Management and Recycling Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026,
 4 the following:

6 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
7 NO.	2025-2026
8 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$783,661
9 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	294,851
10 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
11 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	172,179
12 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	15,668
13 (C) PROF. FEES	50,000
14 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
15 (E) DATA PROC.	0
16 (04) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>4,650,000</u>
17 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$6,066,359</u>

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 19 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - REGULATED SUBSTANCE STORAGE TANK PROGRAM.
 20 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to
 21 be payable from the Regulated Substance Storage Tank Program Fund, for
 22 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Energy and
 23 Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Regulated Substance Storage
 24 Tank Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

26 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27 NO.	2025-2026
28 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$864,655
29 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	334,112
30 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	121,128
32 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	5,005
33 (C) PROF. FEES	50,000
34 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
36 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,374,900</u>

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SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND PROGRAM.
 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Petroleum Storage Tank Trust Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Petroleum Storage Tank Trust Fund Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$440,556
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	159,076
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	18,999,800
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,005
(C) PROF. FEES	2,500,156
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$22,102,593</u>

SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - REGULATED STORAGE TANK PROGRAM - FEDERAL OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for contractual services of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Regulated Storage Tank Program - Federal Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) REGULATED STORAGE TANK & CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	<u>\$1,500,000</u>

SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - LANDFILL POST-CLOSURE PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Landfill Post-Closure Trust Fund, for personal services and

1 operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of
 2 Environmental Quality - Landfill Post-Closure Program for the fiscal year
 3 ending June 30, 2026, the following:

5 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
6 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
7 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$228,880
8 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	83,574
9 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
10 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	30,923
11 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,000
12 (C) PROF. FEES	0
13 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
14 (E) DATA PROC.	0
15 (04) CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	<u>14,109,373</u>
16 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$14,458,750</u></u>

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 18 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - MARKETING RECYCLABLES PROGRAM OF THE
 19 COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department
 20 of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Marketing Recyclables
 21 Program Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department
 22 of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Marketing
 23 Recyclables Program of the Compliance Advisory Panel for the fiscal year
 24 ending June 30, 2026, the following:

26 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
28 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,500
29 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	115
30 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	13,296
32 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,415
33 (C) PROF. FEES	7,000
34 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
36 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$28,326</u></u>

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SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Environmental Education Fund, for operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Environmental Education Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$111,300
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	8,000
(C) PROF. FEES	26,700
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$146,000</u></u>

SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIP SYSTEM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Performance Partnership Trust Fund, for expenses of designing and establishing a management organization of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Performance Partnership System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
(01) PERFORMANCE INTEGRATED INFORMATION	
SYSTEM EXPENSES	<u><u>\$563,000</u></u>

SECTION 26. APPROPRIATION - ENVIRONMENTAL SETTLEMENT TRUST PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Environmental Settlement Trust Fund, for expenses as authorized through various settlement agreements benefiting the State of Arkansas as administered through the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality - Environmental Settlement Trust Program

1 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

3	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
4	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
5	(01) ENVIRONMENTAL SETTLEMENT TRUST	
6	EXPENSES	<u>\$850,000</u>

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 8 SECTION 27. REGULAR SALARIES - POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY COMMISSION
 9 - ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER. There is hereby established for the
 10 Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality for
 11 the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

13			Maximum Annual
14		Maximum	Salary Rate
15	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
16	<u>No. Code Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
17	(1) G032N PC&E HEARING OFFICER	1	GRADE GS14
18	(2) G179C LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS06
19	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	2	

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 21 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATION - POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY COMMISSION -
 22 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 23 Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Division of
 24 Environmental Quality Fee Trust Fund, for personal services and operating
 25 expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of
 26 Environmental Quality - Pollution Control and Ecology Commission -
 27 Administrative Hearing Officer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the
 28 following:

30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
32	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$189,600
33	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	57,958
34	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	49,217
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,922

1	(C) PROF. FEES	38,000
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
3	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$341,697</u></u>

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6 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATION - NON HAZARDOUS SITE CLEANUP PROGRAM. There
7 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be
8 payable from the Division of Environmental Quality Fee Trust Fund, for the
9 cleanup of non-hazardous sites which pose a threat to the environment by the
10 Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality -
11 Non Hazardous Site Cleanup Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026,
12 the following:

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14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
16	(01) CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	<u><u>\$100,000</u></u>

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18 SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION - WATER PERFORMANCE BOND FUND PROGRAM. There
19 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be
20 payable from the Water Performance Bond Fund, for contractual services of the
21 Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality -
22 Water Performance Bond Fund Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026,
23 the following:

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25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
27	(01) NONMUNICIPAL DOMESTIC SEWAGE	
28	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	<u><u>\$500,000</u></u>

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30 SECTION 31. APPROPRIATION - NONMUNICIPAL DOMESTIC SEWAGE TREATMENT
31 WORKS PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and
32 Environment, to be payable from the Nonmunicipal Domestic Sewage Treatment
33 Works Trust Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the
34 Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality -
35 Nonmunicipal Domestic Sewage Treatment Works Program for the fiscal year
36 ending June 30, 2026, the following:

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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
4	(01) NONMUNICIPAL DOMESTIC SEWAGE TREATMENT	<u>\$55,000</u>

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6 SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION - USED TIRE RECYCLING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

7 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and

8 Environment, to be payable from the Used Tire Recycling Fund, for expenses of

9 the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality

10 - Used Tire Recycling and Accountability Program for the fiscal year ending

11 June 30, 2026, the following:

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13	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
14	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
15	(01) USED TIRE RECYCLING AND	
16	ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAM EXPENSES	<u>\$10,788,000</u>

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18 SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - STATE ENERGY PLAN - FEDERAL OPERATIONS.

19 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to

20 be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer

21 of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid

22 of the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental

23 Quality - State Energy Plan - Federal Operations for the fiscal year ending

24 June 30, 2026, the following:

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26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
28	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$226,898
29	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	83,115
30	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	118,273
32	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	36,788
33	(C) PROF. FEES	268,085
34	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35	(E) DATA PROC.	0
36	(04) ENERGY CONSERVATION GRANTS AND AID	<u>551,952</u>

1 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED \$1,285,111

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 3 SECTION 34. APPROPRIATION - ENERGY OFFICE - FEDERAL OPERATIONS. There
 4 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be
 5 payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 6 the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants and aid of
 7 the Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality
 8 - Energy Office - Federal Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 9 2026, the following:

11 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
13 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$629,544
14 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	244,666
15 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
16 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	67,880
17 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	16,750
18 (C) PROF. FEES	13,500
19 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
20 (E) DATA PROC.	0
21 (04) LIHEAP GRANTS	33,108,910
22 (05) DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	25,046
23 (06) WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	<u>7,561,541</u>
24 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$41,667,837</u>

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 26 SECTION 35. APPROPRIATION - ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS PROGRAM.
 27 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to
 28 be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined
 29 by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the
 30 Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality -
 31 Energy Performance Contracts Program for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 32 2026, the following:

34 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
36 (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

1	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$25,000
2	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
3	(C) PROF. FEES	300,000
4	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
5	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$325,000</u></u>

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8 SECTION 36. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EQUIPMENT
 10 PURCHASE RESTRICTIONS. Expenditures from the Hazardous Substance Remedial
 11 Action Trust Fund for the purchase of division laboratory equipment,
 12 including maintenance contracts, data processing equipment and mission-
 13 critical software, including maintenance contracts, as appropriated in the
 14 Capital Outlay and Data Processing Purchases line items of the Hazardous
 15 Waste Cleanup Program appropriation section, may be funded through interest
 16 earnings, investment earnings, and no more than three percent (3%) of the
 17 corpus of the Hazardous Substance Remedial Action Trust Fund and additional
 18 funding from the Hazardous Substance Remedial Action Trust Fund on July 1,
 19 ~~2024~~ 2025. Further, the Division shall report annually to the Arkansas
 20 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee all expenditures for these
 21 purchases.

22 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
 23 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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25 SECTION 37. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 26 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
 27 TRANSFER PROVISION. Upon approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,
 28 the Arkansas Division of Environmental Quality may transfer from various
 29 department funds to the Division of Environmental Quality Fund Account the
 30 sum of \$1,500,000 in fiscal year ~~2024-2025~~ 2025-2026 for the exclusive
 31 purpose of supplementing funding for the appropriation provided in the State
 32 Operations appropriation section. The funds shall be used for personal
 33 services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Division of Environmental
 34 Quality - State Operations. Funds which remain in the Division of
 35 Environmental Quality Fund Account at the close of the fiscal year shall be
 36 carried forward and made available for the same purpose for the following

1 fiscal year. These funds shall be used for the purpose stated above.

2 The amounts transferred shall not be considered as part of any
3 statutory limitation on the use of funds for administration of programs of
4 the Division.

5 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
6 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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8 SECTION 38. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
9 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. LANDFILL
10 POST-CLOSURE CLEAN UP RESTRICTIONS. Any expenditures in excess of \$2,000,000
11 per site from the Landfill Post-Closure Trust Fund, as appropriated in the
12 Contractual Services line item of the Landfill Post-Closure Program
13 appropriation section, for corrective action to remedy environmental impacts
14 of closed disposal sites previously operated as a landfill pursuant to state
15 law, shall be subject to review and approval by the Arkansas Pollution
16 Control and Ecology Commission after addressing corrective actions needed to
17 address environmental impacts from permitted landfills closed properly.

18 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2024~~
19 2025 through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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21 SECTION 39. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SHARED
23 SERVICES. (a)(1) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may create a Shared
24 Services paying accounts on his or her books and on the books of the
25 Treasurer of State and the Auditor of State for the payment of personal
26 services and operating expenses in the Shared Services Paying Account
27 Appropriation by the Department of Energy and Environment.

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

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

36 (4) The provisions of this section shall be in effect from the date of

1 passage through June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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3 SECTION 40. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
4 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
5 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
6 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
7 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
8 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
9 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
10 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
11 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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13 SECTION 41. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
14 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
15 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
16 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
17 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
18 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
19 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
20 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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22 SECTION 42. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
23 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
24 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
25 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2025 is essential to the operation of
26 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
27 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
28 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2025 could work irreparable harm
29 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
30 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
31 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
32 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2025.

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