

1 State of Arkansas  
2 95th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2025  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 28

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 ARKANSAS ETHICS  
10 COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026;  
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS ETHICS  
15 COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-  
16 2026 FISCAL YEAR.  
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established  
23 for the Arkansas Ethics Commission for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the  
24 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
30	(1) U092U	ETHICS COMMISSION DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
31	(2) D057C	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER	1	GRADE IT05
32	(3) G047C	ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	4	GRADE GS11
33	(4) X068C	ETHICS COMMISSION COMPLIANCE SPEC	3	GRADE GS07
34	(5) C022C	BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS05
35	(6) C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
36	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		11	



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

8 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
9 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
10 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$777,591
11 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	265,733
12 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
13 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	110,910
14 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,000
15 (C) PROF. FEES	0
16 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
17 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
18 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,157,234</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.