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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1021

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 ARKANSAS STATE
11 UNIVERSITY - MID-SOUTH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
12 JUNE 30, 2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
16 - MID-SOUTH APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2026-
17 2027 FISCAL YEAR.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established
24 for the Arkansas State University - Mid-South for the 2026-2027 fiscal year,
25 the following maximum number of regular employees.
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Item		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Title	No. of	Salary Rate
		Employees	Fiscal Year
			2026-2027
	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
	<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>		
(1)	Chancellor, ASUMS	1	\$214,799
(2)	IT Pool	7	
	Network Engineer		\$207,404
	Information Systems Manager		\$133,122



1	Computer Network Coordinator	\$132,901
2	Technical Support Staff	\$126,956
3	Coordinator, Academic Computing	\$125,461
4	Coord., Administrative Computing	\$125,461
5	Coordinator of Information Tech	\$123,806
6	Website Developer/Programmer	\$123,806
7	System Programmer/Web Developer	\$122,387
8	Computer Systems Mgr.	\$112,475
9	Database Administrator	\$110,019
10	Systems Administrator	\$108,925
11	Information Systems Security Spec.	\$106,894
12	Institution Information Tech Coord.	\$104,736
13	Assistant Database Administrator	\$100,790
14	Computer Support Manager	\$100,708
15	Information Systems Coordinator	\$100,708
16	Senior Software Support Specialist	\$100,708
17	Systems Specialist	\$100,708
18	Information Technology Manager	\$99,493
19	Network Support Specialist	\$96,834
20	Senior Software Support Analyst	\$96,834
21	Tech Support/Systems Admin.	\$95,330
22	Tech Support/Applications Support	\$95,330
23	Information Systems Business Mgr.	\$93,110
24	Security Analyst	\$93,110
25	Systems Analyst	\$93,110
26	Information Technology Specialist	\$91,166
27	Computer Support Coordinator	\$89,529
28	Software Support Analyst	\$89,529
29	Systems Applications Supervisor	\$89,529
30	Computer Operations Coordinator	\$86,085
31	Systems Coordination Analyst	\$86,085
32	PC Support Specialist	\$84,480
33	Computer Support Specialist	\$82,775
34	Database Analyst	\$82,775
35	Digital Broadcast Specialist	\$79,590
36	Network Support Analyst	\$79,590

1	Website Developer		\$79,590
2	Information Systems Analyst		\$76,530
3	Info Systems Security Analyst		\$76,530
4	Computer Support Analyst		\$76,530
5	Software Support Specialist		\$73,587
6	Telecommunications Supervisor		\$73,587
7	Media Specialist		\$72,215
8	Computer Support Technician		\$70,756
9	Help Desk Specialist		\$70,756
10	Computer Operator		\$68,035
11	Network Analyst		\$68,035
12	Telecommunications Specialist		\$68,035
13	Multimedia Specialist		\$64,199
14	Information Technology Assistant		\$60,483
15	Computer Lab Technician		\$58,156
16	Multimedia Technician		\$52,766
17	Audiovisual Laboratory Assistant		\$48,785
18	(3) Vice Chancellor for Administration	1	\$191,681
19	(4) Vice Chan. for Academic Affairs	1	\$172,403
20	(5) Vice Chancellor for Finance	1	\$161,671
21	(6) Vice Chan. for Technical Education	1	\$161,671
22	(7) Vice Chan. for Student Services	1	\$161,671
23	(8) Chief Information Officer	1	\$160,055
24	(9) Vice Chancellor for Development	1	\$156,962
25	(10) Dir., Occupational and Tech. Ed.	1	\$140,171
26	(11) Director of Human Resources/Svcs.	1	\$136,981
27	(12) Director of Institutional Research	1	\$136,981
28	(13) Director of Admin. Services	1	\$135,012
29	(14) Dir. of Workforce Development	1	\$133,980
30	(15) Counselor	4	\$131,589
31	(16) Director of Learning Center	1	\$131,589
32	(17) Controller	1	\$130,889
33	(18) Dir. of PR & Marketing	1	\$126,161
34	(19) Registrar	1	\$126,161
35	(20) Director of Financial Aid	1	\$125,910
36	(21) Dean of Students	1	\$125,372

1	(22)	Project/Program Administrator	1	
2		Project/Program Director		\$124,789
3		Project/Program Manager		\$104,496
4		Project/Program Specialist		\$94,333
5	(23)	Dir. of Planning & Assessment	1	\$124,788
6	(24)	Director of Computer Services	1	\$123,806
7	(25)	Business Manager	1	\$120,931
8	(26)	Director of Development	1	\$117,086
9	(27)	Director of Physical Plant	1	\$116,722
10	(28)	Dir. of Sys Prog. & Database Svcs.	1	\$115,338
11	(29)	Director of Enrollment Management	1	\$115,020
12	(30)	Dir. of Pub. & Creative Svcs.	1	\$114,663
13	(31)	Coordinator for Student Recruitment	1	\$111,578
14	(32)	Director of Academic Advising	1	\$111,578
15	(33)	Coord., Information & Comm. Rel.	1	\$110,173
16	(34)	Administrator of Grants & Contracts	1	\$109,103
17	(35)	Dir. Env., Health & Safety Prog.	1	\$108,398
18	(36)	Coordinator of Career Services	1	\$107,799
19	(37)	Assistant Director	2	\$107,774
20	(38)	Director of Student Activities	1	\$106,899
21	(39)	Assistant to the President	1	\$103,703
22	(40)	Workforce Specialist	2	\$96,033
23	(41)	Director of Disability Services	1	\$95,900
24	(42)	Fiscal Support Pool	10	
25		Fiscal Support Manager		\$95,029
26		Fiscal Support Supervisor		\$78,106
27		Accountant II		\$75,103
28		Accountant I		\$72,215
29		Fiscal Support Analyst		\$69,437
30		Fiscal Support Specialist		\$61,729
31		Accounting Technician		\$57,071
32		Fiscal Support Technician		\$52,766
33	(43)	Maintenance Manager	2	\$87,860
34	(44)	Budget Analyst	1	\$81,232
35	(45)	Human Resources Analyst	1	\$75,103
36	(46)	Maintenance Coordinator	1	\$75,103

1	(47)	ASU Payroll Services Manager	1	\$72,215
2	(48)	Administrative Support Pool	10	
3		Administrative Assistant		\$69,437
4		Administrative Analyst		\$69,437
5		Administrative Support Supervisor		\$64,199
6		Administrative Specialist III		\$61,729
7		Administration Support Specialist		\$61,729
8		Administrative Specialist II		\$54,877
9		Administrative Support Specialist		\$54,877
10		Administrative Specialist I		\$48,785
11		Extra Help Assistant		\$40,098
12	(49)	Assistant Registrar	1	\$69,437
13	(50)	Financial Aid Analyst	2	\$69,437
14	(51)	Library Support Pool	1	
15		Library Supervisor		\$69,437
16		Library Specialist		\$59,355
17		Library Technician		\$54,877
18		Library Support Assistant		\$50,737
19	(52)	Purchasing Specialist	1	\$69,437
20	(53)	Financial Aid Specialist	1	\$64,199
21	(54)	Human Resources Specialist	2	\$64,199
22	(55)	Maintenance Technician	1	\$64,199
23	(56)	Maintenance Specialist	3	\$61,729
24	(57)	Equipment Mechanic	2	\$57,071
25	(58)	Landscape Specialist	2	\$57,071
26	(59)	Warehouse Specialist	1	\$57,071
27	(60)	Maintenance Assistant	2	\$52,766
28		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
29		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
30	(61)	Faculty	25	
31		Professor/Master Instructor		\$165,256
32		Assoc. Professor/Senior Instructor		\$142,608
33		Asst. Professor/Advanced Instructor		\$124,524
34		Instructor		\$108,808
35	(62)	Division Chairperson	7	\$150,880
36	(63)	Librarian	1	\$136,981

1	(64)	Director of Allied Health	1	\$132,703
2	(65)	Director of Adult Education	1	\$131,590
3	(66)	Instructor - Nursing/Resp. Therapy	3	\$124,154
4	(67)	University Center Media Specialist	1	\$91,507
5	(68)	Special Instructor/Trainer	7	\$87,019
6		<u>NINE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
7		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
8	(69)	Faculty	52	
9		Professor/Master Instructor		\$123,316
10		Assoc. Professor/Senior Instructor		\$116,264
11		Asst. Professor/Advanced Instructor		\$102,874
12		Instructor		\$89,629
13	(70)	Part-Time Faculty	100	\$57,839
14		<u>TWELVE MONTH AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES</u>		
15		<u>POSITIONS</u>		
16	(71)	Director of Food Services	1	\$109,027
17	(72)	Athletic Admin. & Support Pool	3	
18		Coach		\$108,248
19		Asst. Coach		\$57,839
20		Athletic Trainer		\$43,298
21	(73)	Food Service Pool	1	
22		Food Preparation Manager		\$66,767
23		Food Preparation Supervisor		\$59,355
24		Food Preparation Coordinator		\$52,766
25		Food Preparation Specialist		\$45,105
26		Food Preparation Technician		\$41,702
27		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	300	

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29 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for

30 the Arkansas State University - Mid-South for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the

31 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as

32 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two

33 hundred (200) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay

34 not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation

35 Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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1 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 2 appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Mid-South, to be payable
 3 from the Arkansas State University Mid-South Fund, for personal services and
 4 operating expenses of the Arkansas State University - Mid-South for the
 5 fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

7 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
8 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
9 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,800,000
10 (02) EXTRA HELP	350,000
11 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,150,000
12 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
13 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	906,969
14 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
15 (C) PROF. FEES	0
16 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
17 (E) DATA PROC.	0
18 (05) CONTINGENCY	<u>310,348</u>
19 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,517,317</u></u>

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 21 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - CASH FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated,
 22 to the Arkansas State University - Mid-South, to be payable from cash funds
 23 as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and operating
 24 expenses of the Arkansas State University - Mid-South for the fiscal year
 25 ending June 30, 2027, the following:

27 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
29 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$7,000,000
30 (02) EXTRA HELP	600,000
31 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,500,000
32 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	5,500,000
34 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	300,000
35 (C) PROF. FEES	1,500,000
36 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	1,000,000

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(05) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	5,000,000
3	(06) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	100,000
4	(07) SUBAWARDEE GRANTS AND AID	<u>1,500,000</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$25,000,000</u>

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7 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - ADTEC/UNIVERSITY CENTER PARTNERS. There is

8 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Mid-South, to be

9 payable from the Arkansas State University Mid-South Fund, for personal

10 services, operating expenses, equipment and grants to Arkansas Delta Training

11 and Education Consortium (ADTEC) Partners and University Center Partners for

12 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
16	(01) ADTEC/UNIVERSITY CENTER PARTNERS	<u>\$1,578,918</u>

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18 SECTION 6. ALLOCATIONS - ADTEC/UNIVERSITY CENTER PARTNERS. There is

19 hereby allocated to the Arkansas Delta Training and Education Consortium

20 (ADTEC) Partners and University Center Partners the following amounts of the

21 funds appropriated in the ADTEC/University Center Partners Appropriation of

22 this Act, there to be used as provided by in this Act, for the period ending

23 June 30, 2027, the following:

25		MAXIMUM ALLOCATION
26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
28	(1) ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE	\$165,346
29	(2) ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - NEWPORT	165,346
30	(3) UNIV. OF ARK. EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	216,390
31	(4) ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MID-SOUTH	422,179
32	(5) PHILLIPS COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UA	191,270
33	(6) ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - JONESBORO	324,032
34	(7) UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FORT SMTIH	<u>94,355</u>
35	TOTAL AMOUNT ALLOCATED	<u>\$1,578,918</u>

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1 SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
2 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
3 ADTEC/UNIVERSITY CENTER PARTNERS - TRAINING CONSORTIUM ADVICE. The Arkansas
4 State University Mid-South upon counsel with and advice from the Arkansas
5 Delta Training and Education Consortium (ADTEC) shall disburse funds from the
6 ADTEC/UNIVERSITY CENTER PARTNERS appropriation authorized in this Act to
7 selected University Center Partners and also the participating ADTEC
8 Partners.

9 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~
10 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

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12 SECTION 8. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
13 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
14 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
15 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
16 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
17 Procedures and Restrictions Act, the Higher Education Expenditure Restriction
18 Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where
19 applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
20 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
21 disbursement of said funds.

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

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32 SECTION 10. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
33 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
34 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
35 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2026 is essential to the operation of
36 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in

1 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
2 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2026 could work irreparable harm
3 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
4 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
5 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
6 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2026.

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