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SENATE BILL 48

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 UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS
11 AT PINE BLUFF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
12 2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT
16 PINE BLUFF 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 University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff 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	1	\$300,566
(2)	Chief of Staff	1	\$239,531
(3)	Project/Program Administrator	28	
	Executive Project/Program Director		\$213,928



1	Exec. Project/Program Manager		\$186,892
2	Sr. Project/Program Director		\$172,738
3	Project/Program Director		\$140,094
4	Project/Program Manager		\$126,956
5	Executive Assistant		\$118,680
6	Project/Program Specialist		\$109,536
7	(4) Provost	1	\$207,742
8	(5) IT Pool	20	
9	Network Engineer		\$207,404
10	Information Systems Manager		\$133,122
11	Computer Network Coordinator		\$132,901
12	Technical Support Staff		\$126,956
13	Coordinator, Academic Computing		\$125,461
14	Coord., Administrative Computing		\$125,461
15	Coordinator of Information Tech.		\$123,806
16	Website Developer/Programmer		\$123,806
17	System Programmer/Web Developer		\$122,387
18	Computer Systems Mgr.		\$112,475
19	Database Administrator		\$110,019
20	Systems Administrator		\$108,925
21	Information Systems Security Spec.		\$106,894
22	Institution Information Tech Coord		\$104,736
23	Assistant Database Administrator		\$100,790
24	Computer Support Manager		\$100,708
25	Information Systems Coordinator		\$100,708
26	Senior Software Support Specialist		\$100,708
27	Systems Specialist		\$100,708
28	Information Technology Manager		\$99,493
29	Network Support Specialist		\$96,834
30	Senior Software Support Analyst		\$96,834
31	Tech Support/Systems Admin.		\$95,330
32	Tech Support/Applications Support		\$95,330
33	Information Systems Business Mgr.		\$93,110
34	Security Analyst		\$93,110
35	Systems Analyst		\$93,110
36	Information Technology Specialist		\$91,166

1	Computer Support Coordinator		\$89,529
2	Software Support Analyst		\$89,529
3	Systems Applications Supervisor		\$89,529
4	Computer Operations Coordinator		\$86,085
5	Systems Coordination Analyst		\$86,085
6	PC Support Specialist		\$84,480
7	Computer Support Specialist		\$82,775
8	Database Analyst		\$82,775
9	Digital Broadcast Specialist		\$79,590
10	Network Support Analyst		\$79,590
11	Website Developer		\$79,590
12	Information Systems Analyst		\$76,530
13	Info Systems Security Analyst		\$76,530
14	Computer Support Analyst		\$76,530
15	Software Support Specialist		\$73,587
16	Telecommunications Supervisor		\$73,587
17	Media Specialist		\$72,215
18	Computer Support Technician		\$70,756
19	Help Desk Specialist		\$70,756
20	Computer Operator		\$68,035
21	Network Analyst		\$68,035
22	Telecommunications Specialist		\$68,035
23	Multimedia Specialist		\$64,199
24	Information Technology Assistant		\$60,483
25	Computer Lab Technician		\$58,156
26	Multimedia Technician		\$52,766
27	Audiovisual Laboratory Assistant		\$48,785
28	(6) Vice Chan. for Finance & Admin.	1	\$200,539
29	(7) V-C for Res., Innov. & Econ. Devel.	1	\$194,516
30	(8) Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs	1	\$194,516
31	(9) Vice Chan. for Advancement/Dev.	1	\$194,516
32	(10) Vice Chan. for Enrollment Mgmt	1	\$194,516
33	(11) Dean	7	\$179,480
34	(12) Dean of Graduate Studies	1	\$179,480
35	(13) Dir. of Research & Sponsored Prgms.	1	\$179,017
36	(14) Director of Counseling	1	\$159,757

1	(15)	Director of Computer Services	1	\$150,231
2	(16)	Director of Corporate Giving	1	\$148,886
3	(17)	Director of Facilities Planning	1	\$147,464
4	(18)	Director of University Relations	1	\$147,460
5	(19)	Director of Physical Plant	1	\$147,288
6	(20)	Assistant to the Chancellor	1	\$146,541
7	(21)	Associate Vice Chancellor	3	\$146,541
8	(22)	Business Affairs Administrator	1	\$146,541
9	(23)	Director of International Programs	1	\$146,541
10	(24)	Director of Development	2	\$146,540
11	(25)	Controller	1	\$142,738
12	(26)	Director of Affirmative Action	1	\$140,091
13	(27)	Director of Social Work	1	\$140,091
14	(28)	Dir. of Alumni and Gov. Relations	1	\$137,859
15	(29)	Director of Institutional Research	1	\$136,822
16	(30)	Registrar	1	\$133,303
17	(31)	Director of Admissions	1	\$130,264
18	(32)	Director of Student Financial Aid	1	\$130,264
19	(33)	Director of Cooperative Education	1	\$128,007
20	(34)	Development/Advancement Manager	1	\$125,202
21	(35)	Budget Director	1	\$124,818
22	(36)	Director of University Police	1	\$124,694
23	(37)	Dean of Students	2	\$123,712
24	(38)	Director of Administrative Services	1	\$119,995
25	(39)	Assoc. Dean of Students	2	\$117,036
26	(40)	Associate Dean	2	\$117,036
27	(41)	Assistant Dean	1	\$110,156
28	(42)	Dir. of Educational Assessment	1	\$110,156
29	(43)	Director of Health Services	1	\$110,156
30	(44)	Director of Recruitment	1	\$110,156
31	(45)	Student Development Specialist	2	\$103,875
32	(46)	Director of Disability Services	1	\$101,826
33	(47)	Associate for Administration	2	\$96,949
34	(48)	Director of Publications	1	\$96,949
35	(49)	Fiscal Support Pool	17	
36		Fiscal Support Manager		\$95,029

1	Fiscal Support Supervisor		\$78,106
2	Accountant II		\$75,103
3	Accountant I		\$72,215
4	Fiscal Support Analyst		\$69,437
5	Fiscal Support Specialist		\$61,729
6	Accounting Technician		\$57,071
7	Fiscal Support Technician		\$52,766
8	(50) Public Safety Pool	20	
9	HE Public Safety Commander III		\$93,110
10	Director Public Safety I		\$91,374
11	HE Public Safety Commander II		\$89,529
12	HE Public Safety Commander I		\$86,085
13	HE Public Safety Supervisor		\$76,530
14	Public Safety Officer		\$73,587
15	Public Safety Officer II		\$68,035
16	Security Officer Supervisor		\$64,199
17	Public Safety/Security Officer		\$58,156
18	HE Public Safety Dispatcher		\$48,785
19	Parking Control Supv.		\$48,785
20	Security Officer		\$48,785
21	Parking Control Officer		\$46,909
22	Watchman		\$40,098
23	(51) Asst. Dir. of Continuing Educ.	2	\$93,020
24	(52) Asst. Dir. of Coop. Education	2	\$93,020
25	(53) Director of Materials Management	1	\$93,020
26	(54) Grants Manager	1	\$87,860
27	(55) Personnel Manager	1	\$87,860
28	(56) Television Program Manager	1	\$87,860
29	(57) Public Information Coordinator	1	\$84,480
30	(58) Campus Maintenance Supervisor	3	\$81,232
31	(59) Education Counselor	3	\$81,232
32	(60) Payroll Services Coordinator	1	\$81,232
33	(61) Research Technologist	1	\$81,232
34	(62) Admissions Counselor	3	\$79,654
35	(63) Academic Advisor	5	\$79,654
36	(64) Transfer Coordinator	1	\$79,654

1	(65)	Skilled Trades Pool	26	
2		Skilled Trades Foreman		\$76,530
3		Skilled Trades Supervisor		\$73,587
4		Skilled Tradesman		\$70,756
5		Skilled Trades Helper		\$53,769
6		Apprentice Tradesman		\$47,801
7	(66)	Asst. Dir. Financial Aid	1	\$75,103
8	(67)	Budget Specialist	1	\$75,103
9	(68)	Human Resources Analyst	1	\$75,103
10	(69)	Research Project Analyst	4	\$75,103
11	(70)	HEI Program Coordinator	1	\$72,215
12	(71)	Print Shop Manager	1	\$72,215
13	(72)	Administrative Support Pool	58	
14		Administrative Assistant		\$69,437
15		Administrative Analyst		\$69,437
16		Administrative Support Supervisor		\$64,199
17		Administrative Specialist III		\$61,729
18		Administration Support Specialist		\$61,729
19		Administrative Specialist II		\$54,877
20		Administrative Support Specialist		\$54,877
21		Administrative Specialist I		\$48,785
22		Extra Help Assistant		\$40,098
23	(73)	Assistant Registrar	3	\$69,437
24	(74)	Financial Aid Analyst	4	\$69,437
25	(75)	Library Support Pool	11	
26		Library Supervisor		\$69,437
27		Library Specialist		\$59,355
28		Library Technician		\$54,877
29		Library Support Assistant		\$50,737
30	(76)	Payroll Services Specialist	1	\$69,437
31	(77)	Purchasing Specialist	2	\$69,437
32	(78)	Broadcast Production Specialist	1	\$66,767
33	(79)	Institutional Printer	2	\$66,767
34	(80)	Warehouse Manager	1	\$66,767
35	(81)	Financial Aid Specialist	3	\$64,199
36	(82)	Human Resources Specialist	2	\$64,199

1	(83)	Inventory Control Manager	1	\$64,199
2	(84)	Student Recruitment Specialist	2	\$64,199
3	(85)	Maintenance Specialist	1	\$61,729
4	(86)	Research Assistant	2	\$61,729
5	(87)	Athletic Facility Supervisor	1	\$59,355
6	(88)	Coordinator of Housekeeping	2	\$59,355
7	(89)	Storeroom Supervisor	1	\$59,355
8	(90)	Human Resources Assistant	1	\$57,071
9	(91)	Laboratory Technician	3	\$57,071
10	(92)	Institutional Bus Driver	3	\$54,877
11	(93)	Research Technician	2	\$54,877
12	(94)	Inventory Control Technician	1	\$52,766
13	(95)	Maintenance Assistant	14	\$52,766
14	(96)	Registrar's Assistant	1	\$50,737
15	(97)	Shipping & Receiving Clerk	4	\$46,909
16	(98)	Institutional Services Supervisor	4	\$45,105
17	(99)	Institutional Services Assistant	27	\$43,370
18		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
19		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
20	(100)	Department Chairperson	16	\$165,258
21	(101)	Faculty	38	
22		Professor		\$158,071
23		Associate Professor		\$140,094
24		Assistant Professor		\$129,312
25		Instructor		\$107,729
26	(102)	Director of Library Services	1	\$140,094
27	(103)	Research Associate	1	\$137,697
28	(104)	Assoc. Director of Library	1	\$134,145
29	(105)	Associate Librarian	5	\$113,600
30	(106)	Special Instructor	1	\$107,729
31	(107)	Assistant Librarian	2	\$99,839
32	(108)	Graduate Assistant	2	\$35,621
33		<u>NINE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
34		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
35	(109)	Faculty	132	
36		Distinguished Professor		\$167,008

1		Professor		\$154,477
2		Associate Professor		\$136,493
3		Assistant Professor		\$125,710
4		Instructor		\$104,137
5	(110)	Special Instructor	2	\$104,137
6	(111)	Lecturer	2	\$77,681
7	(112)	Part-Time Faculty	53	\$57,840
8	(113)	Laboratory Assistant	6	\$41,449
9		<u>TWELVE MONTH AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES</u>		
10		<u>POSITIONS</u>		
11	(114)	Head Coach	7	\$202,060
12	(115)	Director of Athletics	1	\$164,962
13	(116)	Director of Auxiliary Enterprises	1	\$129,567
14	(117)	Assistant Director of Athletics	2	\$126,169
15	(118)	Senior Women's Sports Administrator	1	\$126,169
16	(119)	Coach	13	\$126,152
17	(120)	Athletic Compliance Coordinator	1	\$122,671
18	(121)	Assistant Coach	8	\$118,481
19	(122)	Head Athletic Trainer	1	\$118,480
20	(123)	Business Manager	1	\$102,992
21	(124)	Sports Information Director	1	\$102,991
22	(125)	Athletic Facility Manager	1	\$99,669
23	(126)	Eligibility Specialist	1	\$99,669
24	(127)	Registered Nurse	1	\$84,480
25	(128)	Education Counselor	3	\$81,232
26	(129)	Director of Student Union	1	\$78,106
27	(130)	UAPB Director of Housing	1	\$78,106
28	(131)	Athletic Ticket Sales Coord.	1	\$72,215
29	(132)	HEI Program Coordinator	2	\$72,215
30	(133)	Administrative Support Pool	2	
31		Administrative Assistant		\$69,437
32		Administrative Analyst		\$69,437
33		Administrative Support Supervisor		\$64,199
34		Administrative Specialist III		\$61,729
35		Administration Support Specialist		\$61,729
36		Administrative Specialist II		\$54,877

1		Administrative Support Specialist		\$54,877
2		Administrative Specialist I		\$48,785
3		Extra Help Assistant		\$40,098
4	(134)	Asst. Director Student Union	1	\$69,437
5	(135)	Food Service Pool	1	
6		Food Preparation Manager		\$66,767
7		Food Preparation Supervisor		\$59,355
8		Food Preparation Coordinator		\$52,766
9		Food Preparation Specialist		\$45,105
10		Food Preparation Technician		\$41,702
11	(136)	Licensed Practical Nurse	1	\$64,199
12	(137)	Recreation Coordinator	1	\$61,729
13	(138)	Resident Hall Specialist	12	\$59,355
14	(139)	Athletic Trainer	2	\$57,071
15	(140)	Inventory Control Technician	1	\$52,766
16	(141)	Mail Services Coordinator	1	\$50,737
17	(142)	Mail Services Assistant	2	\$46,909
18	(143)	Institutional Services Assistant	5	\$43,370
19		<u>AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION</u>		
20		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
21		<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>		
22	(144)	Dir. of UAPB Agri. Exp. Stat.	1	\$179,480
23	(145)	Resident Director	1	\$109,001
24	(146)	Administrative Support Pool	6	
25		Administrative Assistant		\$69,437
26		Administrative Analyst		\$69,437
27		Administrative Support Supervisor		\$64,199
28		Administrative Specialist III		\$61,729
29		Administration Support Specialist		\$61,729
30		Administrative Specialist II		\$54,877
31		Administrative Support Specialist		\$54,877
32		Administrative Specialist I		\$48,785
33		Extra Help Assistant		\$40,098
34	(147)	Research Assistant	3	\$61,729
35	(148)	Landscape Specialist	1	\$57,071
36		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		

1		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
2	(149)	Faculty	37	
3		Distinguished Professor		\$167,008
4		Professor		\$158,073
5		Associate Professor		\$140,094
6		Assistant Professor		\$129,312
7		Instructor		\$107,729
8	(150)	Research Associate	12	\$137,697
9	(151)	Research Specialist	7	\$109,527
10	(152)	Senior Research Assistant	14	\$104,137
11	(153)	Graduate Assistant	33	\$59,215
12		<u>UAPB 1890 EXTENSION PROGRAM</u>		
13		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
14		<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>		
15	(154)	Project/Program Administrator	2	
16		Executive Project/Program Director		\$213,928
17		Exec. Project/Program Manager		\$186,892
18		Sr. Project/Program Director		\$172,738
19		Project/Program Director		\$140,094
20		Project/Program Manager		\$126,956
21		Executive Assistant		\$118,680
22		Project/Program Specialist		\$109,536
23	(155)	UAPB 1890 Extension Administrator	1	\$179,480
24	(156)	Administrative Support Pool	3	
25		Administrative Assistant		\$69,437
26		Administrative Analyst		\$69,437
27		Administrative Support Supervisor		\$64,199
28		Administrative Specialist III		\$61,729
29		Administration Support Specialist		\$61,729
30		Administrative Specialist II		\$54,877
31		Administrative Support Specialist		\$54,877
32		Administrative Specialist I		\$48,785
33		Extra Help Assistant		\$40,098
34		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
35		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
36	(157)	Extension Faculty	35	

1	Extension Specialist V		\$250,126
2	Extension Specialist IV		\$231,053
3	Extension Specialist III		\$197,146
4	Extension Specialist II		\$186,547
5	Extension Specialist I		\$132,901
6	Extension Asst. Specialist		\$117,084
7	(158) Extension Associate	9	\$104,144
8	(159) Multi-County Ext. Agent	5	\$61,007
9	(160) Extension Program Aide	<u>7</u>	\$58,047
10	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	880	

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 12 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for
 13 the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the
 14 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as
 15 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: nine
 16 hundred twenty-four (924) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at
 17 rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 18 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 19 classification.

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 21 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 22 appropriated, to the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, to be payable from
 23 the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff Fund, for personal services and
 24 operating expenses of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff for the fiscal
 25 year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

27	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
29	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$18,886,087
30	(02) EXTRA HELP	317,860
31	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	4,882,693
32	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	10,000
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
35	(C) PROF. FEES	575,000
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(05) CONTINGENCY	<u>1,000,000</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$25,671,640</u>

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5 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS - 1890 EXTENSION PROGRAM.

6 There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, to
7 be payable from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff Fund, for personal
8 services and operating expenses of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
9 1890 Extension Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the
10 following:

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12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
14	(01) EXTENSION PROGRAM PERSONAL SERVICES	
15	AND OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$5,997,200</u>

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17 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CASH FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated,
18 to the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, to be payable from cash funds as
19 defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and operating
20 expenses of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff for the fiscal year
21 ending June 30, 2027, the following:

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23	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
24	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
25	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$16,122,263
26	(02) EXTRA HELP	1,815,986
27	(03) OVERTIME	500,000
28	(04) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	5,235,857
29	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
30	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	21,273,367
31	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	776,093
32	(C) PROF. FEES	4,440,232
33	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	4,000,000
34	(E) DATA PROC.	0
35	(06) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	36,000,000
36	(07) DEBT SERVICE	2,602,223

1	(08) FUND TRANSFERS, REFUNDS AND	
2	INVESTMENTS	20,000
3	(09) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>113,499</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$92,899,520</u></u>

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6 SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS

7 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. JENKINS

8 CENTER. Of the funds appropriated in the State Operations appropriation

9 section, the sum of \$252,558 for the fiscal year shall be used to provide

10 support to the Jenkins Center in Pine Bluff. Provided, however, such funds

11 shall be used to conduct and maintain a University training program in

12 cooperation with the Jenkins Center. Provided, further, any reductions in

13 funding for appropriation provided in the State Operations appropriation

14 section shall be proportionately applied to the funds set out herein for

15 support.

16 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2025~~

17 2026 through June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

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19 SECTION 7. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds

20 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency

21 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and

22 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and

23 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary

24 Procedures and Restrictions Act, the Higher Education Expenditure Restriction

25 Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where

26 applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and

27 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in

28 disbursement of said funds.

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30 SECTION 8. 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 9. 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, 2026 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, 2026 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, 2026.