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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1078

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 NATURAL
10 RESOURCES COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE
11 30, 2017; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS NATURAL RESOURCES
15 COMMISSION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2016-
16 2017 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. There is hereby established for the
23 Arkansas Natural Resources Commission for the 2016-2017 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 2016-2017
30	(1) U043U	ANRC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	1	\$111,640
31	(2) <i>N198N</i>	ANRC DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE <i>N908</i>
32	(3) <i>G004C</i>	<i>MANAGING ATTORNEY</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>GRADE C129</i>
33	(4) A010C	AGENCY CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE C128
34	(5) B006C	ANRC CONSERVATION DIVISION CHIEF	1	GRADE C128
35	(6) B005C	ANRC WATER DEVELOPMENT DIVISION MGR	1	GRADE C128
36	(7) B004C	ANRC WATER RESOURCES DIVISION MGR	1	GRADE C128



1	(8)	G047C	ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C126
2	(9)	B015C	ENGINEER SUPERVISOR	3	GRADE C126
3	(10)	G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C124
4	(11)	B023C	ENGINEER, P.E.	10	GRADE C124
5	(12)	D040C	GIS ANALYST	1	GRADE C123
6	(13)	B035C	GEOLOGY SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C122
7	(14)	A041C	PROGRAM FISCAL MANAGER	3	GRADE C122
8	(15)	B043C	PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST	3	GRADE C121
9	(16)	B041C	STATE CLIMATOLOGIST	1	GRADE C121
10	(17)	G126C	FINANCE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE C120
11	(18)	B059C	ANRC PROGRAM COORDINATOR	16	GRADE C119
12	(19)	D063C	COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C119
13	(20)	B065C	ECOLOGIST	1	GRADE C119
14	(21)	G147C	GRANTS COORDINATOR	4	GRADE C119
15	(22)	B060C	LAND RESOURCE SPECIALIST SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C119
16	(23)	G145C	RURAL CONST GRANT/FINANCIAL OFFICER	9	GRADE C119
17	(24)	G180C	GRANTS ANALYST	3	GRADE C117
18	(25)	R025C	HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
19	(26)	A089C	ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE C116
20	(27)	X129C	CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR	2	GRADE C116
21	(28)	P027C	PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	2	GRADE C116
22	(29)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE C115
23	(30)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
24	(31)	B093C	LAND RESOURCE SPECIALIST	6	GRADE C115
25	(32)	V015C	PURCHASING SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C115
26	(33)	A093C	STATISTICIAN	1	GRADE C114
27	(34)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	7	GRADE C112
28	(35)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>1</u>	GRADE C109
29			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	93	

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31 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas
 32 Natural Resources Commission for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the following
 33 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra
 34 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: eight (8)
 35 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed
 36 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its

1 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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3 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
4 appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be payable
5 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and
6 operating expenses of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission for the
7 fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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9 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
10 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
11 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,518,212
12 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	480,549
13 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
14 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	400,379
15 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,165
16 (C) PROF. FEES	0
17 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
18 (E) DATA PROC.	0
19 (04) CONSERVATION DISTRICT EXPENSE	1,689,990
20 (05) SURVEYS & INVESTIGATIONS	3,900
21 (06) WATER PLANNING	130,981
22 (07) RESEARCH PROJECT	<u>1,882</u>
23 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$4,236,058</u>

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25 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION - CASH. There
26 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be
27 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by
28 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating
29 expenses of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Cash for the fiscal
30 year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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32 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
34 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,114,300
35 (02) EXTRA HELP	30,800
36 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	386,943

1	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
2	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	533,331
3	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	27,000
4	(C) PROF. FEES	910,002
5	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
6	(E) DATA PROC.	0
7	(05) SOIL & WATER GRANTS & LOANS	6,097,017
8	(06) TRAINING/CONTRACT SERVICES	<u>105,000</u>
9	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$9,304,393</u></u>

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11 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - DAM INVENTORY. There is hereby
 12 appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be payable
 13 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 14 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Natural
 15 Resources Commission - Dam Inventory for the fiscal year ending June 30,
 16 2017, the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
20	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$103,636
21	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	33,419
22	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
23	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	49,216
24	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	17,000
25	(C) PROF. FEES	80,000
26	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	20,000
27	(E) DATA PROC.	0
28	(04) GRANTS & AID - DAM SAFETY PROJECTS	<u>76,997</u>
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$380,268</u></u>

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31 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM. There is hereby
 32 appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be payable
 33 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 34 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Natural
 35 Resources Commission - Flood Insurance Program for the fiscal year ending
 36 June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2016-2017
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$130,909
(02) EXTRA HELP	10,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	45,377
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	281,039
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	32,571
(C) PROF. FEES	1,700,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	30,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) GRANTS & AID - FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION GRANTS	<u>997,075</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,226,971</u></u>

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SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - WATER QUALITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Water Quality Plan Implementation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2016-2017
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$247,237
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	80,878
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	3,200
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	1,000
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) WATER QUALITY MATCH GRANTS	962,000
(05) WATER QUALITY TECHNICIAN	<u>1,195,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$2,489,315</u></u>

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2 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - WATER, WASTE DISPOSAL, AND POLLUTION
3 ABATEMENT PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural
4 Resources Commission, to be payable from the Water, Waste Disposal, Pollution
5 Abatement, Administrative and Research Facilities Construction Fund, for
6 personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Natural Resources
7 Commission - Water, Waste Disposal, and Pollution Abatement Program for the
8 fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

10	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
11	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
12	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$232,539
13	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	77,568
14	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	4,400
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
17	(C) PROF. FEES	0
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19	(E) DATA PROC.	0
20	(04) PROJECT DISBURSEMENTS	<u>90,000,000</u>
21	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$90,314,507</u>

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23 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM.
24 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission,
25 to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal
26 Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the
27 Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Nonpoint Source Pollution Control
28 Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
32	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$389,896
33	(02) EXTRA HELP	25,000
34	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	135,207
35	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	294,334

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	50,000
2	(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000
4	(E) DATA PROC.	0
5	(05) NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION GRANTS	<u>5,642,276</u>
6	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,686,713</u></u>

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8 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE REVOLVING LOAN FUND
 9 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources
 10 Commission, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief
 11 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of
 12 the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Construction Assistance Revolving
 13 Loan Fund Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
17	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$749,336
18	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	244,350
19	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
20	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	182,404
21	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	12,219
22	(C) PROF. FEES	13,500
23	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
24	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
25	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$1,201,809</u></u>

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27 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - BEAVER ERADICATION PROGRAM. There is
 28 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be
 29 payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for grants to the
 30 conservation districts for beaver control programs within the districts of
 31 the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Beaver Eradication Program for
 32 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
36	(01) GRANTS FOR BEAVER CONTROL PROGRAMS	<u><u>\$300,000</u></u>

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SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS & ATTORNEY SERVICES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Grants and Attorney Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) WATER QUALITY AND GROUND WATER GRANTS	\$42,820
(02) LEGAL COUNSEL	5,871
(03) COMMITTEE/COMMISSION EXPENSES	10,000
(04) CONSERVATION PROJECTS	753,500
(05) ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT	17,800
(06) RED RIVER COMPACT	<u>11,720</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$841,711</u></u>

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - RURAL FIRE PROTECTION PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for operating expenses of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Rural Fire Protection Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
(01) RURAL FIRE PROTECTION PROGRAM	<u><u>\$1,000,000</u></u>

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - CONSERVATION DISTRICT PROGRAM GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for grants to conservation districts of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Conservation District Program Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>

1 (01) GRANTS TO CONSERVATION DISTRICTS \$250,000

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3 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - WATER RESEARCH. There is hereby
4 appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be payable
5 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for operating expenses of the
6 Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Water Research for the fiscal year
7 ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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9 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
10 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
11 (01) WATER RESEARCH/CONTRACT	<u>\$42,800</u>

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13 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - CONSERVATION DISTRICT EMPLOYEES INSURANCE.
14 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission,
15 to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal
16 services matching of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission - Conservation
17 District Employees Insurance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the
18 following:

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20 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
21 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
22 (01) MEDICAL INSURANCE MATCHING	<u>\$403,200</u>

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24 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - WATER, SEWER, AND SOLID WASTE - REVOLVING.
25 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission,
26 to be payable from the Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Revolving Fund, for
27 water, sewer, and solid waste grants of the Arkansas Natural Resources
28 Commission - Water, Sewer, and Solid Waste - Revolving for the fiscal year
29 ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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31 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
33 (01) WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE GRANTS & 34 AID	<u>\$6,000,000</u>

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36 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - WATER, SEWER, AND SOLID WASTE - STATE.

1 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission,
 2 to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for water, sewer,
 3 and solid waste grants or loans that will be repaid to Water, Sewer, and
 4 Solid Waste - Revolving appropriation of the Arkansas Natural Resources
 5 Commission - Water, Sewer, and Solid Waste - State for the fiscal year ending
 6 June 30, 2017, the following:

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8 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
9 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
10 (01) WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE GRANTS	<u>\$750,000</u>

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12 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - OUACHITA RIVER WATERWAYS PROJECTS. There
 13 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, to be
 14 payable from the Ouachita River Waterways Project Trust Fund, for project
 15 expenses of the Ouachita River Waterways Project of the Arkansas Natural
 16 Resources Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

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18 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
20 (01) OUACHITA RIVER WATERWAYS PROJECTS	<u>\$57,675</u>

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22 SECTION 20. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 23 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER
 24 PROVISION. At the end of each fiscal year, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 25 State shall authorize the transfer of obligated water, sewer, and solid waste
 26 funds, as provided in the appropriation act for the Natural Resources
 27 Commission in the appropriation entitled "Water, Sewer and Solid Waste -
 28 State", from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, to the Water, Sewer and
 29 Solid Waste Revolving Fund.

30 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~
 31 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

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33 SECTION 21. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 34 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY
 35 FORWARD. At the end of each fiscal year, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 36 State shall authorize the carry forward of funds to support the amount of

1 obligated grants that are certified by the Natural Resources Commission for
2 Matching Grants in the appropriation entitled "Water Quality Plan
3 Implementation".

4 Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may
5 be carried forward under the following conditions:

6 (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017 the Agency shall by written statement set
7 forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the
8 Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;

9 (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall
10 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the
11 September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting
12 which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or
13 Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward from the first
14 fiscal year to the second fiscal year, the program name or line item, the
15 funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set
16 forth in (1) above;

17 (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written
18 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
19 containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written
20 statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for
21 which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30)
22 days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents
23 its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget
24 Committee; and

25 (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include
26 all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a
27 statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

28 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~
29 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

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31 SECTION 22. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. CARRY
33 FORWARD. At the end of the fiscal year, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
34 State shall authorize the carry forward of funds to support the amount of
35 obligated grants that are certified by the Natural Resources Commission for
36 Water Quality Technicians in the appropriation entitled "Water Quality Plan

1 Implementation".

2 Any carry forward of unexpended balance of funding as authorized herein, may
3 be carried forward under the following conditions:

4 (1) Prior to June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017 the Agency shall by written statement set
5 forth its reason(s) for the need to carry forward said funding to the
6 Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget;

7 (2) The Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget shall
8 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council all amounts carried forward by the
9 September Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee meeting
10 which report shall include the name of the Agency, Board, Commission or
11 Institution and the amount of the funding carried forward from the first
12 fiscal year to the second fiscal year, the program name or line item, the
13 funding source of that appropriation and a copy of the written request set
14 forth in (1) above;

15 (3) Each Agency, Board, Commission or Institution shall provide a written
16 report to the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee
17 containing all information set forth in item (2) above, along with a written
18 statement as to the current status of the project, contract, purpose etc. for
19 which the carry forward was originally requested no later than thirty (30)
20 days prior to the time the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution presents
21 its budget request to the Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget
22 Committee; and

23 (4) Thereupon, the Department of Finance and Administration shall include
24 all information obtained in item (3) above in the budget manuals and/or a
25 statement of non-compliance by the Agency, Board, Commission or Institution.

26 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2015~~
27 2016 through June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017.

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29 SECTION 23. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
30 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
31 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
32 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
33 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
34 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
35 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
36 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be

1 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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12 SECTION 25. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
13 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
14 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
15 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2016 is essential to the operation of
16 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
17 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
18 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2016 could work irreparable harm
19 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
20 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
21 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
22 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2016.

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24 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*
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