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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1042

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 PUBLIC  
10 EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
11 ENDING JUNE 30, 2015; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES  
15 RETIREMENT SYSTEM APPROPRIATION FOR THE  
16 2014-2015 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 Public Employees Retirement System for the 2014-2015 fiscal year,  
24 the following maximum number of regular employees.  
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26				Maximum Annual
27				Salary Rate
28	Item	Class	Maximum	Fiscal Year
29	No.	Code	No. of	2014-2015
	No.	Code	Employees	
30	(1)	U014U	1	\$174,812
31	(2)	U078U	1	\$111,782
32	(3)	A003N	1	GRADE N910
33	(4)	N096N	1	GRADE N906
34	(5)	N159N	1	GRADE N901
35	(6)	D007C	1	GRADE C128
36	(7)	G047C	1	GRADE C126



1	(8)	A027C	ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE C125
2	(9)	G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE C124
3	(10)	D030C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C124
4	(11)	A034C	RETIREMENT SECTION MANAGER	4	GRADE C123
5	(12)	D044C	SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE C122
6	(13)	A052C	ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C121
7	(14)	A066C	INTERNAL AUDITOR	1	GRADE C119
8	(15)	A062C	RETIREMENT COORDINATOR	5	GRADE C119
9	(16)	A082C	ACCOUNTANT II	9	GRADE C117
10	(17)	A079C	INVESTMENT ANALYST	4	GRADE C117
11	(18)	A078C	RETIREMENT COUNSELOR	15	GRADE C117
12	(19)	C022C	BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C116
13	(20)	P027C	PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE C116
14	(21)	A083C	RETIREMENT ANALYST	7	GRADE C116
15	(22)	X115C	SOCIAL SECURITY ANALYST	1	GRADE C116
16	(23)	R033C	BENEFITS ANALYST	2	GRADE C115
17	(24)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	2	GRADE C112
18	(25)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	13	GRADE C112
19	(26)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>5</u>	GRADE C109
20			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	82	

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22 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM. There is  
 23 hereby authorized, for the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System for  
 24 the 2014-2015 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or  
 25 temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 26 appropriated herein for such purposes: six (6) temporary or part-time  
 27 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 28 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 29 for the appropriate classification.

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31 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT OPERATIONS.  
 32 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement  
 33 System, to be payable from the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System  
 34 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Public  
 35 Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the  
 36 following:

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2	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
3	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
4	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,697,010
5	(02) EXTRA HELP	75,000
6	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,216,462
7	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
8	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,607,473
9	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	42,500
10	(C) PROF. FEES	10,583,645
11	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
12	(E) DATA PROC.	0
13	(05) BENEFITS-NON EMPLOYEE	40,000,000
14	(06) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>75,000,000</u>
15	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$132,222,090</u>

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17 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT CASH. There is

18 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to

19 be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the

20 Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, for payment to beneficiaries by

21 check or wired transfer by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

22 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the following:

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24	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
26	(01) BENEFITS	<u>\$450,000,000</u>

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28 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - STATE POLICE RETIREMENT OPERATIONS. There

29 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System,

30 to be payable from the State Police Retirement Fund, for operating expenses

31 of the State Police Retirement System by the Arkansas Public Employees

32 Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the following:

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34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
36	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	

1	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$77,610
2	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
3	(C) PROF. FEES	265,950
4	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
5	(E) DATA PROC.	0
6	(02) BENEFITS-NON EMPLOYEE	10,000,000
7	(03) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>20,000,000</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$30,343,560</u>

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10 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - STATE POLICE RETIREMENT CASH. There is  
 11 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to  
 12 be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the  
 13 Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, for payment to beneficiaries of  
 14 the State Police Retirement System by check or wired transfer by the Arkansas  
 15 Public Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015,  
 16 the following:

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18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
20	(01) BENEFITS	<u>\$30,000,000</u>

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22 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - JUDICIAL RETIREMENT OPERATIONS. There is  
 23 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to  
 24 be payable from the Judges Retirement Fund, for operating expenses of the  
 25 Judicial Retirement System by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System  
 26 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the following:

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28	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
29	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
30	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$40,510
32	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
33	(C) PROF. FEES	122,879
34	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35	(E) DATA PROC.	0
36	(02) BENEFITS-NON EMPLOYEE	4,000,000

1	(03) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>6,000,000</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$10,163,389</u></u>

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 4 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - JUDICIAL RETIREMENT CASH. There is hereby  
 5 appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, to be  
 6 payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Arkansas  
 7 Public Employees Retirement System, for payment to beneficiaries of the  
 8 Judicial Retirement System by check or wired transfer by the Arkansas Public  
 9 Employees Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the  
 10 following:

12	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
13	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
14	(01) BENEFITS	<u><u>\$20,000,000</u></u>

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 16 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - APERS PENSION ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM. There  
 17 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System,  
 18 to be payable from the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund, for  
 19 the operational expenses, capital outlay, and professional fees and services  
 20 relating to the development, acquisition, and implementation of a new APERS  
 21 Pension Administration System of the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement  
 22 System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the following:

24	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
25	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
26	(01) PENSION ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM	<u><u>\$21,000,000</u></u>

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 28 SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 29 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. JUDICIAL  
 30 RETIREMENT FUND TRANSFERS. A sum not to exceed ~~\$54,663~~ \$56,303 in the ~~2013-~~  
 31 ~~2014~~ 2014-2015 fiscal year may be transferred from the Judges Retirement Fund  
 32 to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System Fund for costs incurred by  
 33 the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System in administering the Judicial  
 34 Retirement System. Such transfer request shall be made to the Chief Fiscal  
 35 Officer of the State, and upon his approval, said transfer shall be made on  
 36 his books and those of the Treasurer of the State and the Auditor of the

1 State.

2 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2013~~  
3 2014 through June 30, ~~2014~~ 2015.

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5 SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. STATE  
7 POLICE RETIREMENT FUND TRANSFERS. A sum not to exceed ~~\$101,294~~ \$104,333 in  
8 the ~~2013-2014~~ 2014-2015 fiscal year may be transferred from the State Police  
9 Retirement Fund to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System Fund for  
10 costs incurred by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System in  
11 administering the State Police Retirement System. Such transfer request  
12 shall be made to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and upon his  
13 approval, said transfer shall be made on his books and those of the Treasurer  
14 of the State and the Auditor of the State.

15 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2013~~  
16 2014 through June 30, ~~2014~~ 2015.

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18 SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
19 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EXEMPTION  
20 FROM PRIOR REVIEW. The Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System is hereby  
21 exempted from seeking prior review by the Arkansas Legislative Council with  
22 regard to transfers between the Benefits line item in the Cash Fund  
23 Appropriation and the Benefits-Non-Employee line item in the Operations  
24 Appropriation which are specifically related to transfers necessitated by the  
25 changes in retirees' selection of the method of payment of retirement  
26 benefits. All other provisions of Arkansas Code §19-4-522 shall be  
27 applicable.

28 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2013~~  
29 2014 through June 30, ~~2014~~ 2015.

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31 SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SPECIAL  
33 STATE POLICE RETIREMENT FUND TRANSFERS. A sum not to exceed \$50,000 in each  
34 fiscal year of the 2013-2015 biennium may be transferred from the State  
35 Police Retirement Fund to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement Fund to  
36 share in the costs incurred by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement

1 System in the purchase and implementation of a new pension administration  
2 system, which will be utilized to administer State Police pension  
3 transactions for members and retirees. Said transfer shall sunset at the end  
4 of fiscal year 2017. Such transfer request shall be made to the Chief Fiscal  
5 officer of the State, and upon his approval, said transfer shall be made on  
6 his books and those of the Treasurer of the State and the Auditor of the  
7 State.

8 The provisions of this section shall be in full effect only from July  
9 1, ~~2013~~ 2014 through June 30, ~~2014~~ 2015.

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11 SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
12 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SPECIAL  
13 JUDICIAL RETIREMENT FUND TRANSFERS. A sum not to exceed \$50,000 in each  
14 fiscal year of the 2013-2015 biennium may be transferred from the Judicial  
15 Retirement Fund to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement Fund to share in  
16 the costs incurred by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System in the  
17 purchase and implementation of a new pension administration system, which  
18 will be utilized to administer Judicial pension transactions for members and  
19 retirees. Said transfer shall sunset at the end of fiscal year 2017. Such  
20 transfer request shall be made to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and  
21 upon his approval, said transfer shall be made on his books and those of the  
22 Treasurer of State and the Auditor of the State.

23 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,  
24 ~~2013~~ 2014 through June 30, ~~2014~~ 2015.

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26 SECTION 15. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
27 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
28 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
29 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
30 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
31 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
32 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
33 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
34 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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36 SECTION 16. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General

1 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
2 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
3 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
4 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
5 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
6 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
7 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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9 SECTION 17. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
10 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
11 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
12 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2014 is essential to the operation of  
13 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
14 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
15 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2014 could work irreparable harm  
16 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
17 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
18 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
19 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2014.  
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