

1 State of Arkansas  
2 92nd General Assembly  
3 Fiscal Session, 2020  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1025

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 STATE  
10 UNIVERSITY - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE FOR THE  
11 FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY  
16 - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE  
17 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL  
18 YEAR.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE. There is  
25 hereby established for the Arkansas State University - Arkansas Biosciences  
26 Institute for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the following maximum number of  
27 regular employees.  
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29			Maximum Annual	
30		Maximum	Salary Rate	
31	Item	No. of	Fiscal Year	
32	<u>No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
33		<u>ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE</u>		
34		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
35		<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>		
36	(1)	Exec. Dir. of Biosciences Institute	1	\$211,094



1	(2)	Director, Research & Tech Transfer	1	\$197,898
2	(3)	Asst. Director, Biosciences Institute	1	\$111,383
3	(4)	Project/Program Administrator	6	
4		Project/Program Director		\$110,646
5		Project/Program Manager		\$100,271
6		Project/Program Specialist		\$86,513
7	(5)	Research Assistant	3	\$71,777
8		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
9		<u>CLASSIFIED POSITIONS</u>		
10	(6)	Skilled Trades Pool	1	
11		Skilled Trades Foreman		GRADE C117
12		Skilled Trades Supervisor		GRADE C116
13		Skilled Tradesman		GRADE C115
14		Skilled Trades Helper		GRADE C108
15		Apprentice Tradesman		GRADE C105
16	(7)	Administrative Support Pool	1	
17		Administrative Assistant		GRADE C115
18		Administrative Analyst		GRADE C115
19		Administrative Support Supervisor		GRADE C113
20		Administrative Specialist III		GRADE C112
21		Administration Support Specialist		GRADE C112
22		Administrative Specialist II		GRADE C109
23		Administrative Support Specialist		GRADE C109
24		Administrative Specialist I		GRADE C106
25	(8)	Laboratory Coordinator	1	GRADE C111
26	(9)	Institutional Svcs. Assistant	3	GRADE C103
27		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
28		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
29	(10)	Faculty	7	
30		Research Professor		\$193,851
31		Research Associate Professor		\$183,165
32		Research Assistant Professor		\$172,942
33		Research Instructor		\$118,994
34	(11)	Research Associate	3	\$119,892
35	(12)	Research Graduate Assistant	<u>10</u>	\$46,769
36		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	38	

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 2 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE. There is  
 3 hereby authorized, for the Arkansas State University - Arkansas Biosciences  
 4 Institute for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the following maximum number of  
 5 part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from  
 6 funds appropriated herein for such purposes: fifty (50) temporary or part-  
 7 time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in  
 8 the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this  
 9 act for the appropriate classification.

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 11 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE. There is  
 12 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University, to be payable from the  
 13 Arkansas Biosciences Institute Program Account of the Tobacco Settlement  
 14 Program Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas  
 15 State University - Arkansas Biosciences Institute for the fiscal year ending  
 16 June 30, 2021, the following:

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18 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
19 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
20 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,149,024
21 (02) EXTRA HELP	15,914
22 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	551,206
23 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	2,527,694
25 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
26 (C) PROF. FEES	0
27 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	400,000
28 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
29 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$5,643,838</u></u>

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31 SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
 32 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
 33 RESTRICTIONS. The appropriations provided in this act shall not be  
 34 transferred under the provisions of Arkansas Code 19-4-522, but only as  
 35 provided by this act.

36 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2019~~

1 2020 through June 30, ~~2020~~ 2021.

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3 SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
5 PROVISIONS. The state-supported institution of higher education in this act  
6 may transfer appropriations between the various line items within each  
7 appropriation contained in this appropriation act. Such transfers shall be  
8 made only after the approval of the Department of Higher Education and the  
9 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and the approval of the Legislative  
10 Council or Joint Budget Committee.

11 The General Assembly has determined that the institution in this act could  
12 be operated more efficiently if some flexibility is given to that institution  
13 and that flexibility is being accomplished by providing authority to transfer  
14 between items of appropriation made by this act. Since the General Assembly  
15 has granted the institution broad powers under the transfer of  
16 appropriations, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General  
17 Assembly maintain oversight of the utilization of the transfers by requiring  
18 prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee in the  
19 utilization of the transfer authority. Therefore, the requirement of  
20 approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a  
21 severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the  
22 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a  
23 court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

24 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2019~~  
25 2020 through June 30, ~~2020~~ 2021.

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27 SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
28 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
29 POSITIONS. (a) Nothing in this act shall be construed as a commitment of the  
30 State of Arkansas or any of its agencies or institutions to continue funding  
31 any position paid from the proceeds of the Tobacco Settlement in the event  
32 that Tobacco Settlement funds are not sufficient to finance the position.  
33 (b) State funds will not be used to replace Tobacco Settlement funds when  
34 such funds expire, unless appropriated by the General Assembly and authorized  
35 by the Governor.  
36 (c) A disclosure of the language contained in (a) and (b) of this Section

1 shall be made available to all new hire and current positions paid from the  
2 proceeds of the Tobacco Settlement by the Tobacco Settlement Commission.

3 (d) Whenever applicable the information contained in (a) and (b) of this  
4 Section shall be included in the employee handbook and/or Professional  
5 Services Contract paid from the proceeds of the Tobacco Settlement.

6 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2019  
7 2020 through June 30, ~~2020~~ 2021.

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9 SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
10 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
11 COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act  
12 shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made  
13 available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions  
14 of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures  
15 Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors,  
16 and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and  
17 regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as  
18 authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said  
19 funds.

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21 SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
22 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.  
23 LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds  
24 disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act  
25 shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was  
26 adopted, as evidenced by Initiated Act 1 of 2000, the Agency Requests,  
27 Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the  
28 budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration,  
29 letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas  
30 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and  
31 adoption.

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33 SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
34 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
35 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
36 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2020 is essential to the operation of

1 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
2 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
3 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2020 could work irreparable harm  
4 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
5 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
6 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
7 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2020.

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