

1 State of Arkansas  
2 89th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2013  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1133

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 COMMISSIONER OF STATE  
10 LANDS AND FOR DISTRIBUTING PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OR  
11 REDEMPTION OF TAX DELINQUENT LAND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
12 ENDING JUNE 30, 2014; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE  
16 LANDS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2013-2014  
17 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 Commissioner of State Lands for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, the  
25 following maximum number of regular employees.  
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| Item |                                 | Maximum   | Maximum Annual |
|------|---------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| No.  | Title                           | No. of    | Salary Rate    |
|      |                                 | Employees | Fiscal Year    |
|      |                                 |           | 2013-2014      |
| 31   | (1) LAND COMMISSION ATTORNEY    | 1         | \$104,570      |
| 32   | (2) CHIEF DEPUTY                | 1         | \$103,536      |
| 33   | (3) LAND COMMISSION ATTORNEY II | 1         | \$86,533       |
| 34   | (4) SYSTEMS MANAGER             | 1         | \$81,221       |
| 35   | (5) MINERALS LEASING OFFICER    | 1         | \$81,059       |
| 36   | (6) FISCAL UNIT MANAGER         | 1         | \$76,425       |



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|----|------|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1  | (7)  | EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT               | 1        | \$73,679 |
| 2  | (8)  | ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT          | 2        | \$73,679 |
| 3  | (9)  | DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL PROJECTS      | 1        | \$68,225 |
| 4  | (10) | FORFEITED LAND SALES MANAGER      | 1        | \$65,928 |
| 5  | (11) | APPRAISER                         | 10       | \$61,949 |
| 6  | (12) | DIRECTOR OF URBAN & GOVT. AFFAIRS | 1        | \$61,385 |
| 7  | (13) | ABTRACTOR                         | 1        | \$61,385 |
| 8  | (14) | FISCAL ADMINISTRATOR              | 1        | \$58,567 |
| 9  | (15) | DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING            | 1        | \$55,267 |
| 10 | (16) | EXECUTIVE SECRETARY               | 1        | \$53,274 |
| 11 | (17) | FORFEITED LAND SALES TECH         | 6        | \$51,921 |
| 12 | (18) | DEED WRITER/CASHIER               | 1        | \$51,921 |
| 13 | (19) | DATA PROCESSING MANAGER           | 1        | \$49,085 |
| 14 | (20) | ACCOUNTANT                        | 1        | \$46,819 |
| 15 | (21) | RESEARCH ANALYST                  | 8        | \$44,879 |
| 16 | (22) | SECRETARY II                      | <u>2</u> | \$36,667 |
| 17 |      | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES             | 45       |          |

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19 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for  
 20 the Commissioner of State Lands for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, the following  
 21 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra  
 22 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: five (5)  
 23 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed  
 24 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its  
 25 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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27 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 28 to the Commissioner of State Lands, to be payable from the State Central  
 29 Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 30 Commissioner of State Lands for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, the  
 31 following:

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| 33 | ITEM                  | FISCAL YEAR      |
|----|-----------------------|------------------|
| 34 | <u>NO.</u>            | <u>2013-2014</u> |
| 35 | (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$2,689,619      |
| 36 | (02) EXTRA HELP       | 40,000           |

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|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 865,899                   |
| 2 | (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION    |                           |
| 3 | (A) OPER. EXPENSE               | 66,000                    |
| 4 | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL              | 10,000                    |
| 5 | (C) PROF. FEES                  | 0                         |
| 6 | (D) CAP. OUTLAY                 | 0                         |
| 7 | (E) DATA PROC.                  | <u>0</u>                  |
| 8 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED       | <u><u>\$3,671,518</u></u> |

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10 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - DELINQUENT TAX. There is hereby  
 11 appropriated, to the Commissioner of State Lands, to be payable from the cash  
 12 funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Commissioner of State  
 13 Lands, for operating expenses and for distributing proceeds from the sale or  
 14 redemption of tax delinquent land as prescribed by Chapter 37 of Title 26 of  
 15 the Arkansas Code by the Commissioner of State Lands for the fiscal year  
 16 ending June 30, 2014, the following:

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| 18 | ITEM                                      | FISCAL YEAR                |
|----|---|----------------------------|
| 19 | <u>NO.</u>                                | <u>2013-2014</u>           |
| 20 | (01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION              |                            |
| 21 | (A) OPER. EXPENSE                         | \$1,113,049                |
| 22 | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL                        | 0                          |
| 23 | (C) PROF. FEES                            | 780,000                    |
| 24 | (D) CAP. OUTLAY                           | 0                          |
| 25 | (E) DATA PROC.                            | 0                          |
| 26 | (02) REFUND/RECORDING FEE REIMBURSEMENTS  | 350,000                    |
| 27 | (03) DELINQUENT TAX REMITTAL/SALE REFUNDS | <u>25,500,000</u>          |
| 28 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED                 | <u><u>\$27,743,049</u></u> |

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30 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL OUTLAY/OPERATING EXPENSES. There is  
 31 hereby appropriated, to the Commissioner of State Lands, to be payable from  
 32 cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the Commissioner of State  
 33 Lands, from proceeds of fees collected by the Commissioner of State Lands,  
 34 for operating expenses and capital outlay of the Commissioner of State Lands  
 35 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, the following:

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|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | ITEM                              | FISCAL YEAR      |
| 2 | <u>NO.</u>                        | <u>2013-2014</u> |
| 3 | (01) CAPITAL OUTLAY/OPERATING EXP | <u>\$267,800</u> |

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SECTION 6. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2013 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2013 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2013.