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A Bill

SENATE BILL 49

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 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
10 AFFAIRS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
14 AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024
15 FISCAL YEAR.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY. There is hereby
22 established for the Department of Veterans Affairs for the 2023-2024 fiscal
23 year, the 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 2023-2024 |
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| 29 | (1) | SC015 SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS | <u>1</u> | GRADE SE05 |
| 30 | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 1 | |

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32 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY. There is hereby
33 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable from the
34 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services of the Department
35 of Veterans Affairs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:
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| 1 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
| 2 | <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 3 | (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$221,420 |
| 4 | (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | <u>59,784</u> |
| 5 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u><u>\$281,204</u></u> |

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7 SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established
 8 for the Department of Veterans Affairs for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the
 9 following maximum number of regular employees.

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| 11 | | | Maximum Annual |
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| 12 | | Maximum | Salary Rate |
| 13 | Item Class | No. of | Fiscal Year |
| 14 | <u>No. Code Title</u> | <u>Employees</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 15 | (1) U008U ADVA DIRECTOR | 1 | GRADE SE02 |
| 16 | (2) L018N NURSE PRACTITIONER | 1 | GRADE MP04 |
| 17 | (3) L002C NURSING DIRECTOR | 2 | GRADE MP04 |
| 18 | (4) L019C REGISTERED NURSE COORDINATOR | 1 | GRADE MP02 |
| 19 | (5) L027C REGISTERED NURSE SUPERVISOR | 1 | GRADE MP02 |
| 20 | (6) L032C REGISTERED NURSE - HOSPITAL | 19 | GRADE MP01 |
| 21 | (7) D079C COMPUTER SUPPORT TECHNICIAN | 1 | GRADE IT02 |
| 22 | (8) N197N NURSING HOME DIVISION DIRECTOR | 1 | GRADE GS15 |
| 23 | (9) G039N ADVA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR | 1 | GRADE GS14 |
| 24 | (10) L026N ADVA STATE VETERANS HOME ADMINISTRATOR | 2 | GRADE GS14 |
| 25 | (11) A133C ADVA CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER | 1 | GRADE GS13 |
| 26 | (12) G318C ADVA DIVISION DIRECTOR | 2 | GRADE GS13 |
| 27 | (13) A027C ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS11 |
| 28 | (14) V036C AGENCY PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR | 1 | GRADE GS10 |
| 29 | (15) M009C LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKER | 3 | GRADE GS09 |
| 30 | (16) L021C NURSING HOME ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR | 2 | GRADE GS09 |
| 31 | (17) P004C PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS09 |
| 32 | (18) X038C QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS09 |
| 33 | (19) A082C ACCOUNTANT II | 1 | GRADE GS08 |
| 34 | (20) S003C FOOD & BEVERAGE DIRECTOR | 2 | GRADE GS08 |
| 35 | (21) S004C MAINTENANCE MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS08 |
| 36 | (22) R014C PERSONNEL MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS08 |

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| 1 | (23) | A041C PROGRAM FISCAL MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS08 |
| 2 | (24) | X062C QUALITY ASSURANCE COORDINATOR | 1 | GRADE GS08 |
| 3 | (25) | G253C ADVA SERVICE OFFICER | 11 | GRADE GS07 |
| 4 | (26) | G237C ADVA CEMETERY MANAGER | 2 | GRADE GS07 |
| 5 | (27) | R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS07 |
| 6 | (28) | V008C BUYER SUPERVISOR | 1 | GRADE GS07 |
| 7 | (29) | G159C DEPARTMENT BUSINESS COORDINATOR | 2 | GRADE GS07 |
| 8 | (30) | P065C DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST | 1 | GRADE GS07 |
| 9 | (31) | C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR | 1 | GRADE GS07 |
| 10 | (32) | S017C MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR | 2 | GRADE GS07 |
| 11 | (33) | C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST | 2 | GRADE GS06 |
| 12 | (34) | L069C LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE | 40 | GRADE GS06 |
| 13 | (35) | S033C MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR | 2 | GRADE GS06 |
| 14 | (36) | V014C BUYER | 1 | GRADE GS05 |
| 15 | (37) | A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST | 1 | GRADE GS05 |
| 16 | (38) | R032C HUMAN RESOURCES PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE | 4 | GRADE GS05 |
| 17 | (39) | M065C RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY SUPERVISOR | 2 | GRADE GS05 |
| 18 | (40) | V018C WAREHOUSE MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS05 |
| 19 | (41) | C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III | 1 | GRADE GS04 |
| 20 | (42) | A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST | 1 | GRADE GS04 |
| 21 | (43) | S044C FOOD PREPARATION MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS04 |
| 22 | (44) | R036C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST | 1 | GRADE GS04 |
| 23 | (45) | S046C MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN | 9 | GRADE GS04 |
| 24 | (46) | C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II | 4 | GRADE GS03 |
| 25 | (47) | L082C CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT | 146 | GRADE GS03 |
| 26 | (48) | S056C FOOD PREPARATION SUPERVISOR | 3 | GRADE GS03 |
| 27 | (49) | S050C MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST | 2 | GRADE GS03 |
| 28 | (50) | C087C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I | 1 | GRADE GS02 |
| 29 | (51) | S085C FOOD PREPARATION SPECIALIST | 7 | GRADE GS02 |
| 30 | (52) | S060C HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR | 1 | GRADE GS02 |
| 31 | (53) | S084C INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES SUPERVISOR | 1 | GRADE GS02 |
| 32 | (54) | S089C FOOD PREPARATION TECHNICIAN | <u>2</u> | GRADE GS01 |
| 33 | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 303 | |

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35 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 36 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable from the

1 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating
2 expenses of the Department of Veterans Affairs - State Operations for the
3 fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

| 4 | 5 ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
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| 6 | <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 7 | (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$1,138,867 |
| 8 | (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 418,746 |
| 9 | (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| 10 | (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 221,500 |
| 11 | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 20,000 |
| 12 | (C) PROF. FEES | 0 |
| 13 | (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 0 |
| 14 | (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
| 15 | (04) AID TO COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE | |
| 16 | OFFICES | 516,000 |
| 17 | (05) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS | <u>10,000</u> |
| 18 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u><u>\$2,325,113</u></u> |

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20 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS' HOMES. There is hereby authorized,
21 for the Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans' Homes for the 2023-2024
22 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary
23 employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated
24 herein for such purposes: thirty (30) temporary or part-time employees, when
25 needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform
26 Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the
27 appropriate classification.

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29 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOMES - CASH. There is hereby
30 appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable from the
31 cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal
32 Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of the
33 Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans' Homes for the fiscal year ending
34 June 30, 2024, the following:

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| 36 ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
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| 1 | <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
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| 2 | (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$8,000,000 |
| 3 | (02) EXTRA HELP | 45,339 |
| 4 | (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 2,400,000 |
| 5 | (04) OVERTIME | 900,000 |
| 6 | (05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| 7 | (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 15,652,808 |
| 8 | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 16,000 |
| 9 | (C) PROF. FEES | 312,000 |
| 10 | (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 140,000 |
| 11 | (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
| 12 | (06) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS | 10,000 |
| 13 | (07) SPECIAL MAINTENANCE | <u>72,831</u> |
| 14 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u><u>\$27,548,978</u></u> |

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16 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - NW AR STATE VETERANS' HOME - CASH. There is
 17 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable
 18 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
 19 Fiscal Officer of the State, for matching funds for land acquisition,
 20 improvements, construction, renovation, and purchase of equipment for a State
 21 Veterans' Home in Northwest Arkansas for the Department of Veterans Affairs -
 22 NW AR State Veterans' Home for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the
 23 following:

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| 25 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
|----|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 26 | <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 27 | (01) NW AR STATE VETERANS HOME | <u><u>\$15,000,000</u></u> |

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29 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - NW AR STATE VETERANS' HOME - FEDERAL. There
 30 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable
 31 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 32 State, for land acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, and
 33 purchase of equipment for a State Veterans' Home in Northwest Arkansas for
 34 the Department of Veterans Affairs - NW AR State Veterans' Home for the
 35 fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

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| 1 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
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| 2 | <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 3 | (01) NW AR STATE VETERANS HOME - FEDERAL | <u>\$30,000,000</u> |

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5 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERIES - STATE. There is
6 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable
7 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and
8 operating expenses of the Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans'
9 Cemeteries - State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

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| 11 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
|----|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 12 | <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 13 | (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$737,281 |
| 14 | (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 311,825 |
| 15 | (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| 16 | (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 180,000 |
| 17 | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 0 |
| 18 | (C) PROF. FEES | 0 |
| 19 | (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 0 |
| 20 | (E) DATA PROC. | <u>0</u> |
| 21 | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u>\$1,229,106</u> |

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23 SECTION 10. EXTRA HELP - VETERANS' CEMETERIES - CASH. There is hereby
24 authorized, for the Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans' Cemeteries -
25 Cash for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time
26 or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds
27 appropriated herein for such purposes: five (5) temporary or part-time
28 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the
29 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act
30 for the appropriate classification.

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32 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' CEMETERIES - CASH. There is
33 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable
34 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief
35 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services and operating expenses of
36 the Department of Veterans Affairs - Veterans' Cemeteries - Cash for the

1 fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

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| 3 ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
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| 4 <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 5 (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$62,486 |
| 6 (02) EXTRA HELP | 24,000 |
| 7 (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 24,650 |
| 8 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| 9 (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 856,075 |
| 10 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 15,000 |
| 11 (C) PROF. FEES | 0 |
| 12 (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 267,750 |
| 13 (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
| 14 (05) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS | <u>6,500</u> |
| 15 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u><u>\$1,256,461</u></u> |

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17 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS PROGRAM. There is
 18 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable
 19 from the Military Funeral Honors Fund, for operating expenses of the
 20 Department of Veterans Affairs - Military Funeral Honors Program for the
 21 fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

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| 23 ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
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| 24 <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 25 (01) MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS EXPENSES | <u>\$45,900</u> |

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27 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - NLR CEMETERY EXPANSION 2 - FEDERAL. There
 28 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable
 29 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 30 State, for construction and expansion expenses for the North Little Rock
 31 Veterans' Cemetery of the Department of Veterans Affairs - NLR Cemetery
 32 Expansion - Federal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

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| 34 ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 35 <u>NO.</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 36 (01) CONSTRUCTION AND EXPANSION EXPENSES | <u><u>\$2,000,000</u></u> |

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 2 SECTION 14. REGULAR SALARIES - DISABLED VETERANS' SERVICES OFFICE.
 3 There is hereby established for the Department of Veterans Affairs - Disabled
 4 Veterans' Services Office - Disabled Veterans' Services Office for the 2023-
 5 2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

| Item Class | | Maximum | Maximum Annual |
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| No. | Code Title | No. of | Salary Rate |
| | | Employees | Fiscal Year |
| | | | 2023-2024 |
| (1) | C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II | <u>1</u> | GRADE GS03 |
| | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 1 | |

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 14 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - DISABLED VETERANS' SERVICES
 15 OFFICE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs,
 16 to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal
 17 services and operating expenses of the Department of Veterans Affairs -
 18 Disabled Veterans' Services Office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024,
 19 the following:

| ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| NO. | 2023-2024 |
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$27,614 |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 13,272 |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 3,000 |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 0 |
| (C) PROF. FEES | 0 |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 0 |
| (E) DATA PROC. | <u>0</u> |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u>\$43,866</u> |

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 33 SECTION 16. REGULAR SALARIES - ARKANSAS VETERANS' CHILD WELFARE
 34 SERVICE. There is hereby established for the Department of Veterans Affairs
 35 - Arkansas Veterans' Child Welfare Service for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the
 36 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 2023-2024 |
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| (1) | U009U | ADVA VETERANS CHILD WELFARE DIR | 1 | GRADE GS07 |
| (2) | C022C | BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST | <u>1</u> | GRADE GS05 |
| | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 2 | |

SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - ARKANSAS VETERANS' CHILD WELFARE SERVICE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Veterans Affairs - Arkansas Veterans' Child Welfare Service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

| ITEM NO. | | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 |
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| (01) | REGULAR SALARIES | \$93,210 |
| (02) | PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 35,271 |
| (03) | MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| | (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 4,182 |
| | (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 0 |
| | (C) PROF. FEES | 0 |
| | (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 0 |
| | (E) DATA PROC. | 0 |
| (04) | GRANTS/AID-ASSISTANCE TO MINOR CHILDREN | <u>42,020</u> |
| | TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u>\$174,683</u> |

SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. USE OF ADVA CONTINGENCY POSITION POOL AND CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATION. In the event additional appropriation becomes necessary that is not authorized or contemplated in State Operations, Veterans' Homes and Veterans' Cemeteries appropriations of this Act and growth in the State Veterans' Home at

1 Fayetteville’s or North Little Rock’s resident census and/or growth in the
 2 number of interments at the State Veterans’ Cemetery at North Little Rock
 3 makes it necessary for the Arkansas Department of Veterans’ Affairs to
 4 request additional positions, regular salaries and personal services matching
 5 appropriation in order to carry out the objectives of the Agency, the ADVA
 6 Contingency Position Pool and Contingency Appropriation authorized herein may
 7 be used for regular salaries and personal services matching line items.

8 The Arkansas Department of Veterans’ Affairs Contingency Appropriation
 9 authorized herein shall be funded primarily with cash funds of the State
 10 Veterans’ Home at Fayetteville or North Little Rock and of the State
 11 Veterans’ Cemetery at North Little Rock or Birdeye. Each entity’s cash funds
 12 shall be utilized in support of its own business operations and shall not be
 13 co-mingled. In addition, general revenue funding in support of the ADVA
 14 Contingency Position Pool shall be limited to \$250,000 per year.

15 Use of the ADVA Contingency Position Pool and Contingency Appropriation
 16 authorized in this Act shall be conditioned upon approval by the Chief Fiscal
 17 Officer of the State and upon certification by the Secretary of the Arkansas
 18 Department of Veterans’ Affairs that funds are available to support the
 19 contingency positions requested and upon prior review by the Arkansas
 20 Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

21 The General Assembly has determined that the Arkansas State Veterans’
 22 Home at Fayetteville and the Arkansas State Veterans’ Cemetery at North
 23 Little Rock may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to
 24 the Arkansas Department of Veterans’ Affairs under this Section.

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| | | MAXIMUM | SALARY RATE | |
| ITEM | CLASS | NO. OF | FISCAL YEAR | |
| <u>NO.</u> | <u>CODE TITLE</u> | <u>EMPLOYEES</u> | <u>2022-2023</u> | <u>2023-2024</u> |
| 29 | (1) C087C ADMIN SPECIALIST I | 1 | GRADE GS02 | |
| 30 | (2) S046C MAINT TECHNICIAN | 1 | GRADE GS04 | |
| 31 | (3) S050C MAINT SPECIALIST | 1 | GRADE GS03 | |
| 32 | (4) S065C MAINT ASSISTANT | 3 | GRADE GS01 | |
| 33 | (5) L009C NURSE MANAGER | 1 | GRADE MP03 | |
| 34 | (6) L019C REG NURSE COORD | 1 | GRADE MP02 | |
| 35 | (7) D071C COMP SUPPORT ANALYST | 1 | GRADE IT03 | |
| 36 | (8) L069C LICENSED PRACT NURSE | 1 | GRADE GS06 | |

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| 1 | (9) M065C RECR ACTIVITY LEADER SVR | 1 | GRADE GS05 |
| 2 | (10) L082C CERTIFIED NURSING ASSIST | 9 | GRADE GS03 |
| 3 | (11) S087C INSTITUTIONAL SERV ASST | 3 | GRADE GS01 |

4 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2022~~
5 2023 through June 30, ~~2023~~ 2024.

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7 SECTION 19. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
8 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
9 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
10 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
11 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
12 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
13 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
14 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
15 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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17 SECTION 20. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
18 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
19 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
20 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
21 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
22 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
23 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
24 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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26 SECTION 21. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
27 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
28 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
29 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2023 is essential to the operation of
30 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
31 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
32 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2023 could work irreparable harm
33 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
34 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
35 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
36 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2023.

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