

DHS - DIVISION OF CHILD CARE AND EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (0772)

FISCAL YEAR 2019

As Enacted by Act 236 of 2018

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education was created within the Department of Human Services to accommodate a Transfer of the Early Childhood Commission and the admin. of the Arkansas Better Chance Program from the Department of Ed. The Division also replaced the Child Care Facility Review Board and became the entity responsible for licensure and review of child care facilities in the State. The Division has 6 sections: the administrative section, Compliance Unit, Program Development, Family Support, Special Nutrition, and Child Care Licensing.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

The total appropriations are \$198,694,603 in FY2019, with a decrease of \$588,295.

FUNDING SOURCES

The budget is funded by general revenues, federal funds, and other funding.

II) CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

Operations

The recommendation for this appropriation, funded from general revenues, federal revenues and various other sources, is \$20,969,388 in FY2019, with total decreases of \$588,295 in the following line items for the agency reorganization of Act 913 of 2017:

- Decrease of (\$180,924) for **Regular Salaries** and (\$69,245) for **Personal Services Matching**.
- Decrease of (\$5,890) for **Extra Help**.
- Decrease of (\$150) for **Overtime**.
- Decreases of (\$125,464) for **Operating Expenses**, (\$1,992) for **Conference Fees & Travel**, and (\$204,630) for **Professional Fees**.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS (Total FY2018 Authorized Positions: 182)

Total Positions for FY2019: 176

Total Positions for FY2018: 182

Increase(Decrease): (6) Positions moved to the new Division of Provider Services and Quality Assurance as part of the agency reorganization of Act 913 of 2017. These positions license and review Medicaid-funded, dually licensed childcare programs.

Extra Help Positions FY2019: 13 (Total FY2018 Authorized Extra Help: 13)

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

NONE