

**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL LANGUAGE SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE
JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Tuesday April 23, 2024

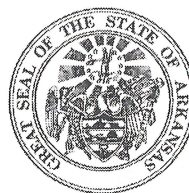
Chairmen:

Your Special Language Subcommittee met on Thursday April 18, 2024 and makes the following recommendations listed below to the Joint Budget Committee.

A. The following bills and amendments are recommended for approval and are RELEASED from the Subcommittee:

1. SB28 - Administrative Office of the Courts - Letter dated February 28, 2024
from Mr. Marty Sullivan (Attachment 1 - JAR093)
2. GL #10 - HB1045 Department of Labor and Licensing - Boards and Commissions
(Attachment 2 - KMW074)
3. GL #23 - HB1077 Department of Human Services - Division of County Operations
(Attachment 3 - LCW062)
4. GL #27 - HB1074 Department of Human Services - Secretary's Office
(Attachment 4 - LCW061)
5. SB19 - Department of Human Services - Division of Medical Services
(Attachment 5 - LCW064)
6. HB1023 - Treasurer of State - State Turnback for Counties and Municipalities
(Attachment 6 - JAR105)
7. HB1086 - Department of Correction - Division of Correction Supplemental Appropriation
(Attachment 7)
8. SB54 - Assessment Coordination (Attachment 8 - JAP058)
9. SB64 - Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer (Attachment 9)

Respectfully submitted by Subcommittee Co-Chairs Senator Ben Gilmore and Representative Frances Cavanaugh



February 28, 2024

Honorable Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Honorable Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
One Capitol Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Dismang and Representative Jean:

Upon Leadership's request, the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) has been asked to detail recommended appropriation to the AOC as part of the Protect Arkansas Act (see A.C.A. § 16-10-143) and special language regarding county juror reimbursements. Therefore, the AOC respectfully requests the following in its 2024-2025 appropriation bill:

1. A new section and fund center to be titled "Specialty Courts." Funding shall derive from the state central services fund with the following appropriation amounts in this section:
 - Professional Fees and Services – \$2,800,000. This appropriation will be used to enter into professional service contracts with qualified attorneys to serve as specialty court members and to represent special court participants.
 - Grants/Aid – \$1,700,000. This appropriation will be used for supportive and restorative services in specialty courts and as supplemental funding for the expansion or establishment of specialty court programs in circuit courts.

2. The following special language regarding county juror reimbursements authorized via Section 21 – County Juror Reimbursement:
 - SECTION SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING AND APPROPRIATION TRANSFER AUTHORITY FOR COUNTY JUROR REIMBURSEMENT. (i) After receiving prior approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee if meeting in a Legislative Session, the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts may direct the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to transfer appropriation to the County Juror Reimbursement appropriation and State Central Services funding in the same amount to the County Juror Reimbursement Fund from any State Central Services Fund appropriation authorized for the Administrative Office of the Courts.
(ii) Determining the maximum amount of appropriation and funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the

Administrative Office of the Courts may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Administrative Office of the Courts authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, if meeting in a Legislative Session, as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

(iii) The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

The AOC also respectfully requests the following changes to its fiscal year 2024-2025 appropriation bill:

1. Eliminate AOC CIP Data Analyst in Section 15. In Section 1, adjust the number of AOC Data Quality Manager employees to two.
2. The following adjustments of appropriation for commitment items in Section 16 – Federal Court Improvement Program to the following amounts. The AOC is also asking for “court technology grants” to be retitled “dependency neglect grants.” **This is a reduction in total appropriation amount:**
 - Salary – \$64,600
 - Matching – \$21,534
 - Operating Expenses – \$350,000
 - Conference and Travel – \$150,000
 - Professional Fees and Services – \$30,000
 - Dependency Neglect Grants – \$140,000
3. A change in appropriation from \$544,627 to \$619,627 in operating expenses in Section 3 – Appropriation – Operations. Rising costs associated with inflation combined with additional responsibilities delegated to the agency in recent years necessitate a change in operating expenses appropriation.
4. Removal of Section 23 (fund center 99X/Stop Domestic Violence). This federally funded grant has expired.
5. A change in appropriation from \$250,000 to \$500,000 in security grants in Section 20 – Appropriation – Court Security Grants. The appropriation amount has not changed in the 15 years since its inception, and this change is necessary to ensure the security of courthouses. The entirety of this appropriation goes directly to counties across the state. Funding is from the state central services fund.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Marty Sullivan
cc: Bureau of Legislative Research

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 28

AN ACT FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025
FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill No. 28

Amend Senate Bill No. 28 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 34, delete "1" and substitute with "2"

AND

Page 2, line 22, delete "46" and substitute with "47"

AND

Page 3, line 9, delete "544,627" and substitute with "619,627"

AND

Page 3, line 16, delete "\$6,136,877" and substitute with "\$6,211,877"

AND

Page 9, delete line 17 in its entirety

AND

Page 9, line 18, delete "(2)" and substitute with "(1)"

AND

Page 9, line 19, delete "2" and substitute with "1"

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Page 9, line 30, delete "\$154,127" and substitute with "\$64,600"

AND

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Page 9, line 31, delete "50,598" and substitute with "21,534"

AND

Page 9, line 34, delete "50,000" and substitute with "150,000"

AND

Page 9, line 35, delete "230,000" and substitute with "30,000"

AND

Page 10, line 2, delete "COURT TECHNOLOGY GRANTS" and substitute with "DEPENDENCY NEGLECT GRANTS"

AND

Page 10, line 2, delete "200,000" and substitute with "140,000"

AND

Page 10, line 3, delete "\$1,034,725" and substitute with "\$756,134"

AND

Page 11, line 28, delete "250,000" and substitute with "500,000"

AND

Page 11, line 29, delete "\$389,908" and substitute with "\$639,908"

AND

Page 12, delete SECTION 23 in its entirety

AND

Page 16, immediately following SECTION 32, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

" SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - SPECIALTY COURTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for operating expenses and grants for specialty courts of the Administrative Office of the Courts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$0

(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	2,800,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(02) GRANTS/AID	<u>1,700,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$4,500,000"</u>

AND

Page 19, immediately following SECTION 36, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

" SECTION 37. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING AND APPROPRIATION TRANSFER AUTHORITY FOR COUNTY JUROR REIMBURSEMENT.

(i) After receiving prior approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee if meeting in a Legislative Session, the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts may direct the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to transfer appropriation to the County Juror Reimbursement appropriation and State Central Services funding in the same amount to the County Juror Reimbursement Fund from any State Central Services Fund appropriation authorized for the Administrative Office of the Courts.

(ii) Determining the maximum amount of appropriation and funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law.

Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Administrative Office of the Courts may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Administrative Office of the Courts authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, if meeting in a Legislative Session, as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget

Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction,
this entire section is void.

(iii) The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,
2024 through June 30, 2025."

AND

Appropriately renumber all SECTIONS of the bill.

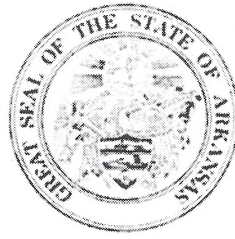
The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Joint Budget Committee

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Secretary



STATE OF ARKANSAS
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April 3, 2024

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendment to the 2024-2025 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Labor and Licensing- Boards and Commissions.

Please insert SECTION XX. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT as follows and renumber accordingly:

SECTION XX. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 19-5-1271(d)(2), concerning the obligation of the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission to fund at the end of each fiscal year the amount necessary to increase the Automotive Technologist Education Grant Fund balance to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (d)(2)(B) of this section, shall at the end of each fiscal year in addition to its contribution under subsection (b) of this section fund the amount necessary to increase the Automotive Technologist Education Grant Fund balance to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000).

(B) Funding provided by the commission under subdivision (d)(2)(A) of this section shall not exceed the amount necessary for the commission to retain three years of its running average operating expenses.

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Current language requires the commission to retain three years of its running average fund balance. This language should, instead, require the commission to retain three years of its running average operating expenses. This will allow the Motor Vehicle Commission to provide additional educational funding for needed automotive technicians.

I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Sanders", written in a cursive style.

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1045

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING - BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1045

Amend House Bill No. 1045 as originally introduced:

Page 25, immediately following SECTION 53, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

" SECTION 54. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 19-5-1271(d)(2), concerning the obligation of the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission to fund at the end of each fiscal year the amount necessary to increase the Automotive Technologist Education Grant Fund balance to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (d)(2)(B) of this section, shall at the end of each fiscal year in addition to its contribution under subsection (b) of this section fund the amount necessary to increase the Automotive Technologist Education Grant Fund balance to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000).

(B) Funding provided by the commission under subdivision (d)(2)(A) of this section shall not exceed the amount necessary for the commission to retain three years of its running average ~~fund balance~~ operating expenses."

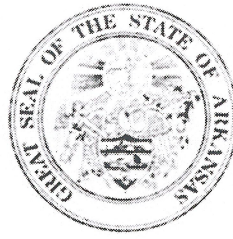
AND

And appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

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The Amendment was read _____
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April 3, 2024

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
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Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to the 2024-2025 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Arkansas Department of Human Services – Division of County Operations.

Please amend SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES – OPERATIONS as follows and renumber accordingly:

Item Class			Maximum	Maximum Annual	
No.	Code	Title	No. of	Salary Rate	Fiscal Year
			Employees		2024-2025
(16)	G099C	DHS PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	3	<u>4</u>	GRADE GS09
(33)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	6	<u>14</u>	GRADE GS06
(34)	R027C	BUDGET SPECIALIST	2	<u>3</u>	GRADE GS06
(40)	X136C	QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEWER	29	<u>28</u>	GRADE GS06
(41)	E046C	TRAINING INSTRUCTOR	14	<u>19</u>	GRADE GS06
(44)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	14	<u>15</u>	GRADE GS04
(47)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	9	<u>11</u>	GRADE GS03
(X)	<u>G286C</u>	<u>DMS DEPUTY DIRECTOR</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS15</u>
(X)	<u>G017N</u>	<u>ACOM DWS ASST DIR - TANF</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS13</u>

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(X) <u>G020C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS12</u>
(X) <u>G288C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS DIVISION MANAGER</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>GRADE GS09</u>
(X) <u>G110C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS PROGRAM MANAGER</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>GRADE GS09</u>
(X) <u>G081C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS DIVISION CHIEF</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS08</u>
(X) <u>G128C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER II</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>GRADE GS08</u>
(X) <u>G127C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS PROGRAM OPERATIONS MANAGER</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>GRADE GS08</u>
(X) <u>G149C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS FIELD MANAGER I</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>GRADE GS07</u>
(X) <u>G181C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS PROGRAM MONITOR</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>GRADE GS07</u>
(X) <u>G209C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS PROGRAM SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>GRADE GS07</u>
(X) <u>G196C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS SATELLITE OFFICE SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS07</u>
(X) <u>A085C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS SR FIELD TAX REPRESENTATIVE</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS07</u>
(X) <u>A092C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS FIELD TAX REP</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS06</u>
(X) <u>G217C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS WORKFORCE SPECIALIST</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>GRADE GS06</u>
(X) <u>G214C</u>	<u>GRANTS SPECIALIST</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS06</u>
(X) <u>B076C</u>	<u>RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>GRADE GS06</u>
(X) <u>A091C</u>	<u>FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>GRADE GS05</u>
(X) <u>C087C</u>	<u>ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>GRADE GS02</u>
	<u>MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES</u>	<u>1,834</u>	<u>2,022</u>

This request will transfer one position out and one position in between the Division of County Operations and the Secretary's Office as needed by the agency. Additionally, two positions will be included that are funded by a SNAP Federal Grant that is expected to continue. This request also transfers 186 positions to the Division as part of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program.

Please amend SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP OPERATIONS as follows:

Page 3, line 15, delete "thirty-seven (37)" and substitute "forty-three (43)".

This request will transfer six extra help positions from the TANF Program into the Division.

Please amend SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS as follows:

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Item No.		Fiscal Year 2024-2025
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$77,887,262
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	32,312,220
(04)	OVERTIME	125,000
(05)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	25,778,976
	(B) PROF. FEES	12,079,291
(06)	DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	18,728,948
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$167,539,634
		\$190,085,710

This request, primarily related to TANF, takes into account position changes and reflects appropriation accordingly. Additional federal appropriation is also included to allow the Division to implement spending on a federal grant as soon as the notice of award is received.

Please amend SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS - FEDERAL as follows:

Item No.		Fiscal Year 2024-2025
(01)	HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANT	\$6,588,566
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$6,861,412
		\$7,569,858

This request will include additional federal appropriation that will allow the Division to implement spending on a federal grant as soon as the notice of award is received.

Please amend SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS as follows:

Item No.		Fiscal Year 2024-2025
(01)	TANF BLOCK GRANT	\$6,893,484
(02)	COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT	10,567,165
(03)	SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP)	1,975,185
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$19,435,834
		\$76,522,993

This request will include additional federal appropriation that will allow the

Division to implement spending on a federal grant as soon as the notice of award is received. Also included in the request is appropriation transferred from the Secretary's Office to support the TANF Program.

SECTION X. APPROPRIATION - EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the federal funds as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grant payments of the Department of Human Services - Division of County Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

Item No.	Fiscal Year
<u>(01) EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE</u>	<u>2024-2025</u> <u>\$2,131,685</u>

This request will include additional federal appropriation that will allow the Division to return Emergency Rental Assistance funding to the Federal Government.

Please insert a new section and renumber accordingly:

SECTION X. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF TANF BLOCK GRANT FUNDS. Each fiscal year, the Department of Human Services shall transfer the sum of seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) from the state's federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant to the Department of Education Division of Elementary and Secondary Education Public School Fund Account to be used solely for the Arkansas Better Chance Program.

If the state match for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families grant or the state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families grant is reduced, the amount to be transferred may be adjusted in proportion to the percentage change in the state match or the state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families grant. The amount to be transferred may also be reduced proportionately if new cost requirements are imposed upon the state as a result of new or revised Temporary Assistance for Needy Families regulations at the federal level.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2023 2024 through June 30, 2024 2025.

This request transfers a Special Language section from the Department of Human

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Services – Secretary’s Office and is associated with TANF.

Please insert a new section and renumber accordingly:

SECTION X. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. RESTRICTIONS ON FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM.

(a)(1) Determining the maximum number of employees, the maximum amount of appropriation, for what purposes an appropriation is authorized, and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly.

(2) The purposes of subsection (a) of this section are typically accomplished by:

(A) Identifying the purpose in the appropriation act;

(B) Delineating such maximums in the appropriation act for a state agency; and

(C) Delineating the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the revenue stabilization law.

(3) It is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly restrict the use of appropriations authorized in this act.

(b)(1) Upon the request of the Governor or the General Assembly, the Department of Human Services shall request a waiver from the federal government to:

(A) Restrict the financial assistance granted to a recipient of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program or its successor program to purchase goods and services that are considered essential and necessary for the welfare of the family, including without limitation:

(i) Food;

(ii) Clothing;

(iii) Housing;

(iv) Utilities;

(v) Child care; and

(vi) Incidentals, including without limitation transportation and medicine or medical supplies or equipment not covered by either the Arkansas Medicaid Program or the health benefit plan of the individual; and

(B) Restrict the cash withdrawal from an electronic benefit transfer card account that receives financial assistance under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program or its successor program by electronic benefit transfer

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system.

(2) If the federal government denies the waiver application, this section shall not be implemented.

(3) If the division does not request a wavier under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the department shall not allocate, budget, expend, or utilize appropriations under this act for the participation of persons in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2023 2024 through June 30, 2024 2025.

This request transfers a Special Language section from the Department of Human Services - Secretary's Office and is associated with TANF.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1077

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF COUNTY OPERATIONS
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1077

Amend House Bill No. 1077 as originally introduced:

On page 2, immediately following line 1, insert the following line:

"(6.1) G286C DMS DEPUTY DIRECTOR 1 GRADE GS15"

AND

On page 2, immediately following line 4, insert the following line:

"(9.1) G017N ACOM DWS ASST DIR - TANF 1 GRADE GS13"

AND

On page 2, immediately following line 7, insert the following line:

"(12.1) G020C ACOM DWS PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE GS12"

AND

On page 2, line 11, delete "3" and substitute "4"

AND

On page 2, immediately following line 12, insert the following:

"(17.1) G288C ACOM DWS DIVISION MANAGER 2 GRADE GS09
(17.2) G110C ACOM DWS PROGRAM MANAGER 2 GRADE GS09"

AND

On page 2, immediately following line 18, insert the following:

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On page 4, line 17, delete "\$6,861,412" and substitute "\$7,569,858"

AND

On page 5, line 1, delete "\$6,893,484" and substitute "\$57,200,764"

AND

On page 5, line 2, delete "10,567,165" and substitute "13,943,475"

AND

On page 5, line 4, delete "1,975,185" and substitute "5,378,754"

AND

On page 5, line 5, delete "\$19,435,834" and substitute "\$76,522,993"

AND

On page 5, immediately following line 36, insert the following:

" SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS.
There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for grant payments of the Department of Human Services - Division of County Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
(01) EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE	<u>\$2,131,685</u>

SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF TANF BLOCK GRANT FUNDS. Each fiscal year, the Department of Human Services shall transfer the sum of seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) from the state's federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant to the Department of Education Division of Elementary and Secondary Education Public School Fund Account to be used solely for the Arkansas Better Chance Program.

If the state match for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families grant

or the state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families grant is reduced, the amount to be transferred may be adjusted in proportion to the percentage change in the state match or the state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families grant. The amount to be transferred may also be reduced proportionately if new cost requirements are imposed upon the state as a result of new or revised Temporary Assistance for Needy Families regulations at the federal level.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2023~~ 2024 through June 30, ~~2024~~ 2025.

SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. RESTRICTIONS ON FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM.

(a)(1) Determining the maximum number of employees, the maximum amount of appropriation, for what purposes an appropriation is authorized, and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly.

(2) The purposes of subsection (a) of this section are typically accomplished by:

(A) Identifying the purpose in the appropriation act;

(B) Delineating such maximums in the appropriation act for a state agency; and

(C) Delineating the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the revenue stabilization law.

(3) It is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly restrict the use of appropriations authorized in this act.

(b)(1) Upon the request of the Governor or the General Assembly, the Department of Human Services shall request a waiver from the federal government to:

(A) Restrict the financial assistance granted to a recipient of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program or its successor program to purchase goods and services that are considered essential and necessary for the welfare of the family, including without limitation:

(i) Food;

(ii) Clothing;

- (iii) Housing;
- (iv) Utilities;
- (v) Child care; and
- (vi) Incidentals, including without limitation

transportation and medicine or medical supplies or equipment not covered by either the Arkansas Medicaid Program or the health benefit plan of the individual; and

(B) Restrict the cash withdrawal from an electronic benefit transfer card account that receives financial assistance under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program or its successor program by electronic benefit transfer system.

(2) If the federal government denies the waiver application, this section shall not be implemented.

(3) If the division does not request a wavier under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the department shall not allocate, budget, expend, or utilize appropriations under this act for the participation of persons in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program.

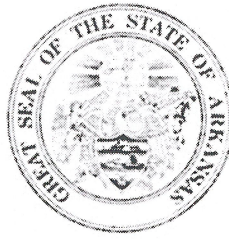
The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2023~~ 2024 through June 30, ~~2024~~ 2025."

AND

Appropriately renumber the SECTIONS of the bill.

The Amendment was read _____
By: Joint Budget Committee
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Chief Clerk



STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

April 3, 2024

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to the 2024-2025 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Arkansas Department of Human Services – Secretary's Office.

Please delete SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES – PLACEMENT AND RESIDENTIAL LICENSING UNIT and SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION – PLACEMENT AND RESIDENTIAL LICENSING UNIT in its entirety and renumber accordingly.

The above request is necessary to transfer the Placement and Residential Licensing Unit to the Division of Children and Family Services.

Please delete the following sections, entirely, and renumber accordingly:
SECTION 5. REGULAR SALARIES – TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)

SECTION 6. EXTRA HELP – TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION – TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES BLOCK GRANT PAYING

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The above request is necessary to transfer the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program to various divisions within the Department of Human Services to meet operational needs.

Please delete SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION – INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT PROGRAM in its entirety and renumber accordingly.

This request is necessary due to funds being expensed in Fiscal Year 2024.

Please amend SECTION 9. REGULAR SALARIES – OPERATIONS as follows and renumber accordingly:

Item Class			Maximum		Maximum Annual
No.	Code	Title	No. of		Salary Rate
			Employees		Fiscal Year
					2024-2025
(3)	N220N	DHS CHIEF ATTORNEY	1		GRADE SE02
(13)	D007C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	8	<u>9</u>	GRADE IT08
(18)	D061C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATION SPEC	8	<u>7</u>	GRADE IT05
(20)	D052C	SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	6	<u>7</u>	GRADE IT05
(27)	D079C	COMPUTER SUPPORT TECHNICIAN	11	<u>10</u>	GRADE IT02
(33)	G286C	DMS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1		GRADE GS15
(43)	N111N	DHS ASST-DEP DIR FOR MGR ACCOUNTING	1		GRADE GS13
(52)	A021C	AGENCY CONTROLLER I	1	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS12
(60)	A014C	FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER	4	<u>5</u>	GRADE GS12
(67)	G008C	RISK MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	1		GRADE GS11
(91)	A060C	SENIOR AUDITOR	20	<u>22</u>	GRADE GS08
(95)	A081C	AUDITOR	1	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS07
(125)	R025C	HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	12	<u>13</u>	GRADE GS06
(131)	X136C	QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEWER	1	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS06
(137)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	17	<u>18</u>	GRADE GS05
(X)	<u>N027N</u>	<u>DHS DEPUTY DIRECTOR ADULT SERVICES</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE SE01</u>

(X)	<u>L009N</u>	<u>DHS BEHAV HLTH GENERAL PHYSICIAN</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE MP06</u>
(X)	<u>D123C</u>	<u>DB ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE IT08</u>
(X)	<u>N080N</u>	<u>DHS/DMS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR - FISCAL</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS14</u>
(X)	<u>G181C</u>	<u>ACOM DWS PROGRAM MONITOR</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>GRADE GS07</u>
(X)	<u>G138C</u>	<u>AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OFFICER</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>GRADE GS07</u>
(X)	<u>A084C</u>	<u>PROGRAM/FIELD AUDIT SPECIALIST</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>GRADE GS06</u>
(X)	<u>V014C</u>	<u>BUYER</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS05</u>
(X)	<u>V015C</u>	<u>PURCHASING SPECIALIST</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS05</u>
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	652	669

This request will incorporate position transfers that were approved by the Arkansas Legislative Council in the first, second, and third Reallocation of Resource Requests of Fiscal Year 2024. The request also transfers positions related to TANF to better serve the administrative functions of the program. Lastly, the request is inclusive of one pool position approved by the Arkansas Legislative Council in March 2024.

Please amend SECTION 10. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS as follows:

Page 10, line 19, delete "twenty-seven (27)" and substitute "twenty-eight (28)".

This request provides for an additional Extra Help position.

Please amend SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS as follows:

Item No.		Fiscal Year 2024-2025
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$36,537,461
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	13,693,910
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$67,848,126</u>
		<u>\$37,494,684</u>
		<u>14,067,346</u>
		<u>\$69,178,785</u>

This request takes into account position changes and reflects appropriation accordingly.

* Please delete SECTION 19. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED

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INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL,
LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER OF TANF BLOCK GRANT
FUNDS in its entirety and renumber accordingly.

The above request is necessary to transfer special language associated with the
TANF Program to the Division of County Operations.

* Please delete SECTION 20. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED
INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND
TEMPORARY LAW. RESTRICTIONS ON FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER
THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM in its
entirety and renumber accordingly.

The above request is necessary to transfer special language associated with the
TANF Program to the Division of County Operations.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1074

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - SECRETARY'S OFFICE APPROPRIATION
FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1074

Amend House Bill No. 1074 as originally introduced:

On pages 2 through 5, delete SECTIONS 3 through 8 in their entirety

AND

On page 5, delete line 35 in its entirety and substitute the following line:

~~"(3) N220N DHS CHIEF ATTORNEY 1 GRADE SE02"~~

AND

On page 6, immediately following line 4, insert the following:

"(8.1) N027N DHS DEPUTY DIRECTOR ADULT SERVICES 1 GRADE SE01
(8.2) L009N DHS BEHAV HLTH GENERAL PHYSICIAN 1 GRADE MP06"

AND

ON page 6, line 9, delete "8" and substitute "9"

AND

On page 6, immediately following line 9, insert the following line:

"(13.1) D123C DB ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE IT08"

AND

On page 6, line 14, delete "8" and substitute "7"

AND

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On page 6, line 16, delete "6" and substitute "7"

AND

On page 6, line 23, delete "11" and substitute "10"

AND

On page 6, delete line 29 in its entirety and substitute the following line:

~~"(33) G286C DMS DEPUTY DIRECTOR 1 GRADE GS15"~~

AND

On page 6, immediately following line 36, insert the following line:

"(40.1) N080N DHS/DMS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR - FISCAL 1 GRADE GS14"

AND

On page 7, delete line 3 in its entirety and substitute the following line:

~~"(43) N111N DHS ASST DEP DIR FOR MGR ACCOUNTING 1 GRADE GS13"~~

AND

On page 7, line 12, delete "1" and substitute "2"

AND

On page 7, line 20, delete "4" and substitute "5"

AND

On page 7, delete line 27 in its entirety and substitute the following line:

~~"(67) G008C RISK MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT DIRECTOR 1 GRADE GS11"~~

AND

On page 8, line 15, delete "20" and substitute "22"

AND

On page 8, line 19, delete "1" and substitute "2"

AND

On page 8, immediately following line 35, insert the following:

"(111.1) G181C ACOM DWS PROGRAM MONITOR 2 GRADE GS07"

(111.2) G138C AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OFFICER 2 GRADE GS07"

AND

On page 9, line 13, delete "12" and substitute "13"

AND

On page 9, line 19, delete "1" and substitute "2"

AND

On page 9, immediately following line 21, insert the following line:

"(133.1) A084C PROGRAM/FIELD AUDIT SPECIALIST 3 GRADE GS06"

AND

On page 9, line 25, delete "17" and substitute "18"

AND

On page 9, immediately following line 32, insert the following:

"(144.1) V014C BUYER 1 GRADE GS05

(144.2) V015C PURCHASING SPECIALIST 1 GRADE GS05"

AND

On page 10, line 13, delete "652" and substitute "669"

AND

On page 10, line 19, delete "twenty-seven (27)" and substitute "twenty-eight (28)"

AND

On page 10, line 32, delete "\$36,537,461" and substitute "\$37,494,684"

AND

On page 10, line 34, delete "13,693,910" and substitute "14,067,346"

AND

On page 11, line 7, delete "\$67,848,126" and substitute "\$69,178,785"

AND

On pages 18 through 20, delete SECTIONS 19 and 20 in their entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber the SECTIONS of the bill.

The Amendment was read _____
By: Joint Budget Committee
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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 19

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill No. 19

Amend Senate Bill No. 19 as originally introduced:

On page 10, immediately following SECTION 12, insert the following SECTION:

" SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE – CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-77-153. Redetermination and transition of coverage for postpartum mothers.

(a) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall redetermine eligibility for postpartum mothers receiving coverage under a Medicaid eligibility category within eight (8) weeks of giving birth and ensure the enrollment and transition of the postpartum mother into any available Medicaid eligibility category before the end of coverage under the existing Medicaid eligibility category.

(b) The program shall ensure that the postpartum mother maintains coverage in her existing Medicaid eligibility category only until the transition of coverage is completed and verified by the Department of Human Services.

(c) The department shall:
(1) Apply for any federal waiver, Medicaid state plan amendment, or other authorization necessary to implement this section; and
(2) Develop and implement any procedure, rule, or policy necessary to implement this section.

(d) The department shall report quarterly to the Legislative Council on the number of transitions implemented under this section and any other data or statistics related to the implementation of this section."

AND

Appropriately renumber the SECTIONS of the bill.

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Joint Budget Committee

By: Representative Pilkington

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1023

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE TURNBACK FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES BY THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1023

Amend House Bill No. 1023 as originally introduced:

Page 6, immediately following SECTION 11, insert the following new SECTIONS:
" SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL, AND TEMPORARY LAW. Uncodified Acts 1999, No. 1044, § 9, is repealed.

~~RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNDING. Beginning on January 1, 2000, each county of the State shall be responsible for a portion of the cost of regular salaries and personal services matching for deputy prosecuting attorneys who are to become state employees as of January 1, 2000. During the monthly distribution of general revenues to the counties, the Treasurer of State shall retain from each county, one twelfth (1/12th) of 80% of the amount appropriated by each of the counties for salaries and associated fringe benefit costs as of January 1, 1999. The amount retained by the Treasurer of State shall be credited to the State Central Services Fund for the partial support of the regular salaries and personal services matching costs for deputy prosecuting attorneys. The amount which each county appropriated for salaries and associated fringe benefit costs as of January 1, 1999, shall be determined by the Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee and shall be certified to the Treasurer of State on or before December 1, 1999.~~

SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL, AND TEMPORARY

LAW. RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNDING. Beginning on January 1, 2000, each county of the State shall be responsible for a portion of the cost of regular salaries and personal services matching for deputy prosecuting attorneys who are to become state employees as of January 1, 2000. During the monthly distribution of general revenues to the counties, the Treasurer of State shall retain from each county, one-twelfth (1/12th) of 80% of the amount appropriated by each of the counties for salaries and associated fringe benefit costs as of January 1, 1999. The amount retained by the Treasurer of State shall be credited to the State Central Services Fund for the partial support of the regular salaries and personal services matching costs for deputy prosecuting attorneys. The amount which each county appropriated for salaries and associated fringe benefit costs as of January 1, 1999, shall be determined by the Division of Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee and shall be certified to the Treasurer of State on or before December 1, 1999.

Effective July 1, 2024, each county shall be responsible for paying twenty-five percent (25%) of the prior year's amount retained by the Treasurer of State for that county under this section.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025."

AND

Appropriately renumber all subsequent SECTIONS of the bill.

The Amendment was read _____

By: Representative Cavanaugh
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Stricken language will be deleted and underlined language will be added.

1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2024

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1086

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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
10 CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION WHICH SHALL BE
11 SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS
12 APPROPRIATED BY ACT 890 OF 2023; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
16 - DIVISION OF CORRECTION SUPPLEMENTAL
17 APPROPRIATION.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT. There is hereby
24 appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the County
25 Jail Reimbursement Fund, for reimbursement to counties housing state inmates
26 of the Department of Corrections - County Jail Reimbursement which shall be
27 supplemental and in addition to those funds appropriated in Section 3 of Act
28 890 of 2023, the following:
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30 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
32 (01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENT	<u>\$4,200,000</u>

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34 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - INMATE CARE & CUSTODY. There is hereby
35 appropriated, to the Department of Corrections, to be payable from the
36 Division of Correction Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account, for personal



1 services of the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction which
 2 shall be supplemental and in addition to those funds appropriated in Section
 3 10 of Act 890 of 2023, the following:

5 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
6 <u>NO.</u>	2023-2024
7 (01) OVERTIME	<u>\$3,000,000</u>

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 9 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 10 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
 11 TRANSFER. Immediately upon the effective date of this act, the Chief Fiscal
 12 Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of the
 13 State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State the sum of four million two
 14 hundred thousand dollars (\$4,200,000) from the General Revenue Allotment
 15 Reserve Fund to the County Jail Reimbursement Fund to provide funds for
 16 reimbursement to counties housing state inmates of the Department of
 17 Corrections.

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 19 SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 20 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 21 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 22 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 23 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 24 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 25 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 26 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 27 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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 29 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
 30 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
 31 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
 32 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 33 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
 34 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
 35 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
 36 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that funds provided by the General Assembly for the operations of the Department of Corrections are, due to unforeseen circumstances, insufficient for the Department of Corrections to continue to provide essential governmental services; that the provisions of this act will provide the necessary monies for the Department of Corrections to continue such services; and that a delay in the effective date of this Act 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 the date of its passage and approval.

If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto.

Stricken language will be deleted and underlined language will be added.

1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2024

A Bill

SENATE BILL 54

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
10 AND ADMINISTRATION - ASSESSMENT COORDINATION DIVISION
11 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR
12 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
17 ADMINISTRATION - ASSESSMENT COORDINATION
18 DIVISION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025
19 FISCAL YEAR.

22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

24 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
25 established for the Department of Finance and Administration - Assessment
26 Coordination Division for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum
27 number of regular employees.

Item	Class	Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code	No. of	Salary Rate
		Employees	Fiscal Year
			2024-2025
33	(1) U085U ACD DIRECTOR	1	GRADE SE01
34	(2) D068C INFORMATION SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT04
35	(3) G047C ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11
36	(4) G061C ACD DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS10



1	(5)	X046C ACD DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR	4	GRADE GS08
2	(6)	E031C EDUCATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
3	(7)	X049C PROPERTY ASSESSMENT COORD MANAGER	5	GRADE GS07
4	(8)	A063C RESEARCH & STATISTICS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS07
5	(9)	X079C PROPERTY ASSESSMENT AUDITOR SUPERVISOR	11	GRADE GS06
6	(10)	X117C PROPERTY ASSESSMENT AUDITOR	<u>7</u>	GRADE GS05
7		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	33	

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9 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized,
 10 for the Department of Finance and Administration - Assessment Coordination
 11 Division for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-
 12 time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds
 13 appropriated herein for such purposes: three (3) temporary or part-time
 14 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the
 15 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act
 16 for the appropriate classification.

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18 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby
 19 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration, to be payable
 20 from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, for personal services and
 21 operating expenses of the Department of Finance and Administration -
 22 Assessment Coordination Division - State Operations for the fiscal year
 23 ending June 30, 2025, the following:

25	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
26	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
27	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,687,840
28	(02) EXTRA HELP	2,500
29	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	644,444
30	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	872,240
32	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	49,869
33	(C) PROF. FEES	10,000
34	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35	(E) DATA PROC.	0
36	(05) ASSESSOR'S SCHOOL	325,000

1	(06)	ASSESSMENT EDUC INCENTIVE	<u>150,000</u>
2		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$3,741,893</u></u>

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4 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - CASH. There is hereby appropriated, to the
 5 Department of Finance and Administration, to be payable from the cash fund
 6 deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of
 7 the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Finance and
 8 Administration - Assessment Coordination Division - Cash for the fiscal year
 9 ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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11	ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
12	NO.		<u>2024-2025</u>
13	(01)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
14	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	\$33,000
15	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	5,000
16	(C)	PROF. FEES	17,000
17	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	0
18	(E)	DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
19		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$55,000</u></u>

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21 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - COUNTY ASSESSORS' CONTINUING EDUCATION FUND.
 22 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and
 23 Administration, to be payable from the County Assessors' Continuing Education
 24 Trust Fund, for maintaining and operating a continuing education program for
 25 County Assessors by the Department of Finance and Administration - Assessment
 26 Coordination Division - County Assessors' Continuing Education Fund for the
 27 fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

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29	ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
30	NO.		<u>2024-2025</u>
31	(01)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
32	(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	\$51,600
33	(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	0
34	(C)	PROF. FEES	8,400
35	(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	0
36	(E)	DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>

1 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED \$60,000

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3 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - REAL PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL. There is hereby
 4 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration, to be payable
 5 from the Arkansas Real Property Reappraisal Fund, for paying counties and
 6 professional reappraisal companies for the cost of reappraisal of real
 7 property by the Department of Finance and Administration - Assessment
 8 Coordination Division - Real Property Reappraisal for the fiscal year ending
 9 June 30, 2025, the following:

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11 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
13 (01) REAL PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL	<u>\$15,750,000</u>

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15 SECTION 7. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 16 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
 17 FUND TRANSFER. To provide funding for the appropriations authorized herein,
 18 the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration - Assessment
 19 Coordination Division of the State of Arkansas shall certify monthly to the
 20 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the amount of funding needed each month to
 21 pay counties and professional reappraisal companies for the reappraisal of
 22 real property as required by law. Upon receipt of such certification the
 23 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and
 24 those of the State Treasurer 76% of the amounts certified from the Department
 25 of Education Public School Fund Account, 16% of the amount certified from the
 26 County Aid Fund, and 8% of the amount certified from the Municipal Aid Fund
 27 to the Arkansas Real Property Reappraisal Fund. In no event shall the total
 28 amount of funds transferred as authorized herein exceed fourteen million two
 29 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$14,250,000) in a single fiscal year.

30 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2023
 31 2024 through June 30, 2024 2025.

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33 SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 34 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
 35 FUND TRANSFERS. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
 36 State, the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration -

1 Assessment Coordination Division is authorized to transfer funds during the
2 ~~2023-2024~~ 2024-2025 fiscal year from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account
3 designated for support of the Department of Finance and Administration -
4 Assessment Coordination Division to the Real Property Reappraisal Fund. The
5 total of all transfers shall not exceed \$1,500,000.

6 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2023~~
7 2024 through June 30, ~~2024~~ 2025.

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9 SECTION 9. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
10 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
11 TRANSFER PROVISION. After receiving approval from the Chief Fiscal Officer
12 of the State, the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration -
13 Assessment Coordination Division is authorized to transfer appropriation from
14 the Operating Expenses line item in the State Operations Program to the
15 Assessor's School special line item to assure sufficient resources are
16 available to provide required training for assessment personnel.

17 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2023~~
18 2024 through June 30, ~~2024~~ 2025.

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20 SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
21 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
22 ASSESSMENT OF VEHICLES. (a) For purposes of assessing the value of a used
23 vehicle:

24 (1) If a used vehicle was assessed in calendar year 2020 and is
25 assessed in calendar year 2022, the value of the used vehicle as assessed in
26 calendar year 2022 shall not be higher than its published assessed value in
27 calendar year 2020; and

28 (2) If under subdivision (a)(1), a used vehicle's 2022 assessed
29 value is decreased, then a county assessor is not required to notify the
30 taxpayer of the decrease in the assessed value.

31 (b) Subsection (a) of this section shall be in effect only from the
32 effective date of this section through December 31, 2023.

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34 SECTION 11. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
35 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
36 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and

1 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
2 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
3 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
4 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
5 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
6 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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8 SECTION 12. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
9 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
10 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
11 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
12 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
13 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
14 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
15 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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17 SECTION 13. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
18 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
19 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
20 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of
21 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
22 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
23 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 could work irreparable harm
24 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
25 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
26 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
27 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2024.

ARKANSAS SENATE
94th General Assembly - Fiscal Session, 2024
Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 54

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - ASSESSMENT
COORDINATION DIVISION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill No. 54

Amend Senate Bill No. 54 as originally introduced:

Page 5, delete SECTION 10 in its entirety

AND

Appropriately renumber all subsequent Sections of the bill.

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The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Joint Budget Committee

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Stricken language will be deleted and underlined language will be added.

1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2024

A Bill

SENATE BILL 64

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5 By: Senator J. Payton
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO REDUCE MATERNAL
9 AND INFANT MORTALITY BY MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR
10 PREGNANCY HELP ORGANIZATION GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT
11 OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER
12 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR
13 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
17 ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER
18 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL
19 YEAR.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - PREGNANCY HELP ORGANIZATION GRANTS. There
26 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration -
27 Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund
28 Account, for grants for the Pregnancy Help Organizations for the fiscal year
29 ending June 30, 2025, the following:
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31 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
33 (01) PREGNANCY HELP ORGANIZATION GRANTS	<u>\$2,000,000</u>

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35 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
36 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING



1 TRANSFER. (i) Immediately upon the effective date of this Section, the Chief
 2 Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of
 3 the State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State the sum of two million
 4 dollars (\$2,000,000) from the General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund to the
 5 Pregnancy Help Organization Grant Sub-Fund in the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund
 6 Account to provide funding exclusively for the Pregnancy Help Organization
 7 Grants Appropriation in Section 1 in this Act to be distributed as set out in
 8 Pregnancy Help Organization Grants Special Language Section of this Act.

9 (ii) Any funds not expended in the Pregnancy Help Organization Grant
 10 Sub-Fund in the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account as established in
 11 subsection (i) herein after June 30, 2025 shall be transferred to the General
 12 Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund.

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 14 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 15 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

16 PREGNANCY HELP ORGANIZATION GRANTS.

17 (a)(1) As used in this section, "pregnancy help organization" means a
 18 nonprofit corporation or an organization exempt from federal income tax,
 19 existing as of January 1, 2024, that:

20 (A) Seeks to provide a range of services to individuals facing an
 21 unintended pregnancy with the intention of encouraging pregnant women to give
 22 birth to their unborn children;

23 (B) Promotes infant and maternal wellness and/or reduces infant and
 24 maternal mortality, by:

25 i)Providing nutritional information and/or nutritional counseling;

26 ii)Providing prenatal vitamins;

27 iii)Providing a list of prenatal medical care options;

28 iv)Providing social, emotional, and/or material support; or

29 v)Providing referrals for WIC and community-based nutritional services,
 30 including but not limited to food banks, food pantries, and food distribution
 31 centers; and

32 (C) Does not perform, prescribe, provide referrals for, or encourage
 33 abortion or affiliate with any organization that performs, rescribes,
 34 provides referrals for, or encourages abortion.

35 (2) As used in this section, a "pregnancy help organization" includes
 36 without limitation:

1 (A) Organizations traditionally known as "crisis pregnancy organizations";

2 (B) Maternity homes;

3 (C) Adoption agencies; and

4 (D) Social services agencies that provide material support and other
5 assistance to individuals facing an unintended pregnancy to help those
6 individuals give birth to their unborn children.

7 (b)(1) The Department of Finance and Administration shall create a grant
8 program to provide funding to pregnancy help organizations.

9 (2) Grant funds shall be disbursed directly to the pregnancy help
10 organizations from the Department of Finance and Administration.

11 (c)(1) The department shall promulgate rules to implement the disbursement of
12 the grant moneys from the Pregnancy Help Organization Grant Sub-Fund in the
13 Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account.

14 (2) The rules shall include:

15 (A) A requirement that the entity requesting the grant monies submit a plan
16 describing how the entity will spend the grant moneys; and

17 (B) A statement that the funds shall not be disbursed all
18 at once, but in increments in accordance with the plan described in
19 subdivision (c)(2)(A) of this section.

20 (d) The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2024,
21 through June 30, 2025.

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23 SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
24 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
25 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
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27 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
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