



STATE OF ARKANSAS
ASA HUTCHINSON
GOVERNOR

March 10, 2016

Senator Larry Teague, 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 2016-2017 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Health:

Please amend SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES- OPERATIONS as follows:

Item	Class	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2016-2017
(162)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	17 16	GRADE C115
(168)	S031C	SKILLED TRADESMAN	3 2	GRADE C115
(177)	L069C	LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE	192 148	GRADE C113
(185)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	16 15	GRADE C112
(189)	B111C	LABORATORY TECHNICIAN	20 18	GRADE C110
(192)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	77 72	GRADE C109
(194)	C066C	PATIENT ACCOUNT SPECIALIST	15 10	GRADE C109
(195)	A102C	FISCAL SUPPORT TECHNICIAN	+	GRADE C108
(196)	L083C	HEALTH SERVICES SPECIALIST I	43 33	GRADE C108
(197)	S065C	MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	2 1	GRADE C108
(198)	C087C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST I	24 10	GRADE C106
(199)	V028C	WAREHOUSE WORKER	8 6	GRADE C106
(200)	L088C	NURSING AIDE/NURSING ASST I	33 15	GRADE C105
(201)	V030C	SHIPPING & RECEIVING CLERK	+	GRADE C105
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES			3,099 2,993	

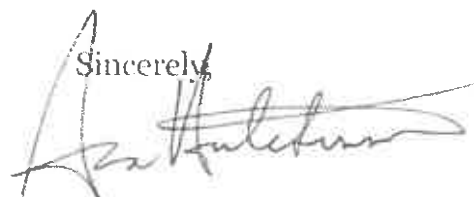
Senator Larry Teague, Co-Chair
Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Page 2

Please amend SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION- OPERATIONS as follows:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$125,567,154 <u>\$123,148,038</u>
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	\$44,531,942 <u>\$43,444,934</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$320,386,150 <u>\$316,880,026</u>

These changes will allow the agency to meet our statewide goals of finding savings and efficiencies in operations, eliminating duplicate programs, reducing the number of budgeted positions, streamlining processes, and improving the delivery of services.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Asa Hutchinson

AH:db:lr