

**REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE  
EVALUATION AND EXPENDITURE REVIEW (PEER)  
OF THE  
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**February 20, 2026**

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Dear Co-Chairs:

Your Subcommittee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) met on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, and after having considered the following items, reports that the Subcommittee's review and/or approval is complete unless otherwise noted.

Items for Approval

- A. Various Temporary Appropriation Request
  - 1. Department of Labor and Licensing – Enterprise Licensing Platform – \$273,880
- B. Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Appropriation Requests
  - 1. Department of Transportation – Quarterly Funding – \$280,000,000
  - 2. Department of Commerce – State Broadband Office – BEAD Program – \$195,656,423 – 1 Extra Help Position
- C. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Requests
  - 1. Department of Corrections – Division of Correction – Tucker Unit Water Treatment Plant – \$458,297 from Female Work Release to Tucker Unit Water Treatment Plant
  - 2. Department of Education – Division of Elementary and Secondary Education – \$25,216,092 from School Funding Contingency and National Board of Professional Teaching Standards to School Recognition, Arkansas Easter Seals, Declining Enrollment, and Merit Teacher Incentive
  - 3. Department of Shared Administrative Services – Project Management Office – \$229,034 from Innovation and Project Development Fund to Office of State Technology

Item for Favorable Advice to Governor

- D. Budget Stabilization Trust Fund Loan Request
  - 1. Department of Shared Administrative Services – Office of State Technology – Major Improvements – \$4,700,000

Items for Review

- E. Cash Fund Appropriation Requests
  - 1. Department of Labor and Licensing – Division of Labor Wage and Hour – Claimants Payments – \$200,000
  - 2. Auditor of State – Unclaimed Property Claims – \$15,000,000
  - 3. Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism – Division of Heritage – Delta Cultural Center Afterschool and Summer Program – \$8,079

F. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Appropriation Request

1. Department of Education – AR Career Coach Program – \$1,125,268

G. Pay Plan Appropriation and Performance Fund Requests

**Pay Plan Requests**

1. Department of Labor and Licensing – Towing and Recovery Board – \$30,000
2. Department of Labor and Licensing – Manufactured Home Commission – \$22,000
3. Department of Labor and Licensing – HVAC Licensing Board – \$80,000
4. Department of Finance and Administration – Budget and Management Services – \$35,000
5. Department of Finance and Administration – Regulatory Division – \$50,000
6. Department of Labor and Licensing – Fire Protection Licensing Board – \$14,000
7. Department of Labor and Licensing – Barber Examiners Board – \$8,500
8. Department of Labor and Licensing – Contractor’s Licensing Board – \$74,116
9. Department of Labor and Licensing – Shared Services – \$23,000
10. Department of Labor and Licensing – Real Estate Commission – \$41,200
11. Department of Labor and Licensing – Labor – \$100,000
12. Department of Public Safety – State Police – \$804,500
13. Department of Public Safety – Emergency Management – \$152,000
14. Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism – Parks – \$2,400,000

**Performance Fund Requests**

15. Department of Corrections – Correction – \$20,483,805
16. Department of Public Safety – State Police – \$5,206,133
17. Department of Agriculture – Agriculture – \$2,283,615
18. Department of Agriculture – Natural Resources – \$83,856

H. Department of Finance and Administration Proposed Budget Manual Guidelines

Reports

I. Biannual Report

1. American Rescue Plan Act Report with Hospital Distributions

J. Quarterly Reports

1. Department of Human Services Interagency Match Fund Transfer Report
2. Office of Attorney General Cash Settlement Fund Report
3. Division of State Police – Asset Forfeiture Expenditures Report
4. Department of Finance and Administration Federal Grants Report

K. Monthly Reports

1. Surplus Income and Distribution Report
2. Budget Stabilization Trust Fund Report
3. Tobacco Settlement Report
4. State Central Services Fund Report
5. Educational Adequacy Fund Report
6. Medicaid Trust Fund Report
7. Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Report

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Jonathan Dismang and Representative Jeff Wardlaw