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ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE

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STATE LETTER

October 24, 2024

Honorable Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair  
Honorable Lane Jean, Co-Chair  
Joint Budget Committee  
Arkansas General Assembly  
One Capitol Mall  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Dismang and Representative Jean:

The Secretary of State Office (SOS) respectfully requests the following appropriation changes:

The Arkansas Secretary of State's office respectfully requests to eliminate the \$1,182,195 of one-time money for the Arkansas Capitol Police from our 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 budgets.

The Arkansas Secretary of State's office respectfully requests to add the Arkansas Capitol Police positions appropriation salaries of \$1,368,577 into the Secretary of State Regular Salaries Section Fund Center 003 Commitment Item 5010000.

The Arkansas Secretary of State's office respectfully requests to add the Arkansas Capitol Police positions appropriation Personal Services matching of \$547,431 into the Secretary of State Regular Salaries Section Fund Center 003 Commitment Item 5010003.

Upon completion of this request, all future Arkansas Capitol Police salaries and personal service matching will remain in the Secretary of State Regular Salaries Section Fund Center 003 Commitment Item 5010000 and Commitment Item 5010003 .

We appreciate your consideration and service to our state. Should you have questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of John Thurston in black ink.

John Thurston  
Secretary of State