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STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR

February 14, 2025

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:

Attached you will find my recommendations for supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2025. Each item includes a detailed justification of the request along with a line-item breakdown.

I respectfully request your approval of these requests and their introduction as Joint Budget Committee bills at the proper time during the 95th General Assembly.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS

Fiscal Year 2025

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**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AND FUNDING
 AGENCY REQUESTS AND EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATIONS
 2025 Fiscal Year**

| AGENCY/PROGRAM | Agency Request | | | Executive Recommendation | | |
|--|----------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| | POS. | APPRO. | GEN. REV. FUNDING | POS. | APPRO. | GEN. REV. FUNDING |
| REQUESTS REQUIRING AN EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION: | | | | | | |
| <u>GENERAL REVENUE FUND ACCOUNTS</u> | | | | | | |
| Corrections, Arkansas Department of County Jail Reimbursement | | 6,500,000 | 6,500,000 | | 6,500,000 | 6,500,000 |
| SUBTOTAL | | \$ 6,500,000 | \$6,500,000 | | \$ 6,500,000 | \$6,500,000 |
| REQUESTS REQUIRING AN EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION: | | | | | | |
| <u>NON-GENERAL REVENUE FUND ACCOUNTS</u> | | | | | | |
| Treasurer of State- County Aid Real Property Tax Reduction - Counties | | 25,000,000 | | | 25,000,000 | |
| Corrections, Arkansas Department of Shared Service Paying Account- Medical Contract | | 19,500,000 | 19,500,000 | | 19,500,000 | 19,500,000 |
| SUBTOTAL | | \$ 44,500,000 | \$19,500,000 | | \$ 44,500,000 | \$19,500,000 |
| TOTAL | | \$ 51,000,000 | \$ 26,000,000 | | \$ 51,000,000 | \$ 26,000,000 |

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

Agency: Arkansas Department of Corrections

Program Title: County Jail Reimbursement

Appropriation only: Yes X No

General Revenue Funding Amount Requested: \$ 6,500,000 None:

Other Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Source of Other Funding:

Accounting Information:

Business Area: 9903 Funds Center: E68 Fund: MCJ9903 Functional Area: SFTY

| | Authorized FY25 | Supplemental Request FY25 | Executive Recommendation |
|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Refunds/Reimbursements | 26,853,607 | 6,500,000 | 6,500,000 |
| Total | 26,853,607 | 6,500,000 | 6,500,000 |

IGS Approval (if applicable) Date Items requested for information technology must be in compliance with Technology Plans as submitted to IGS.

Supplemental Personnel Positions Requested:

| Position Title | Class Code | Grade | Line Item Maximum | # of Positions Requested |
|---------------------------|------------|-------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | | | |
| Total Positions Requested | | | | - |

Current Authorization(s):

| Section | Act |
|---------|-----|
| 3 | 49 |
| | |
| | |

Summary of Request and Statement of Need: (If IT related reference the location/number in the agency's IT Plan)

Additional appropriation and funding is need to cover County Jail Reimbursement invoices for the remainder of FY25.

Impact if Not Approved:

If not approved, counties will not be reimbursed for housing Division of Correction and Division of Community Correction inmates.

Alternatives:

If not approved, county jail reimbursement invoices will be held until FY26. Doing this will cause the Department to use FY26 appropriation and funding to cover FY25 invoices which could potentially create another funding/appropriation need. Additionally, appropriation can be requested at PEER and at the approval of the Governor with Legislative approval, one time funding can be granted to the county jail fund.

Executive Recommendation:

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

Agency: Treasurer of State - County Aid

Program Title: Real Property Tax Reduction - Counties

Appropriation only: X Yes No

General Revenue Funding Amount Requested: _____ None: X

Other Funding Amount Requested: _____ None: X

Source of Other Funding: _____

Accounting Information:

Business Area: 0074 Funds Center: 738 Fund: TPR0100 Functional Area: CNST

| | Authorized FY25 | Supplemental Request FY25 | Executive Recommendation |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Regular Salaries | | | |
| Number of Positions | | | |
| Extra Help | | | |
| Number of Positions | | | |
| Personal Services Matching | | | |
| Operating Expenses | | | |
| Conference & Travel Expenses | | | |
| Grants/Aid | | | |
| Professional Fees | | | |
| Capital Outlay | | | |
| Distribution to Counties for Property Tax Relief | 300,000,000 | 25,000,000 | 25,000,000 |
| Total | 300,000,000 | 25,000,000 | 25,000,000 |

IGS Approval (if applicable) _____ Date _____ Items requested for information technology must be in compliance with Technology Plans as submitted to IGS.

Supplemental Personnel Positions Requested:

| Position Title | Class Code | Grade | Line Item Maximum | # of Positions Requested |
|---------------------------|------------|-------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | | |
| Total Positions Requested | | | | - |

Current Authorization(s):

| Section | Act |
|---------|-----|
| 7 | 140 |
| | |
| | |

Summary of Request and Statement of Need: (If IT related reference the location/number in the agency's IT Plan)

Approval of this request is needed to allow for distribution of special revenues to counties based upon a property tax reduction.

Impact if Not Approved:

Ark. Code Ann. § 26-26-310 requires the disbursement of funds.

Alternatives:

Executive Recommendation:

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.



GL #4

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GOVERNOR

February 17, 2025

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 SB75, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education – Arkansas School for the Blind and Arkansas School for the Deaf.

Immediately following SECTION 11, please insert the following and renumber accordingly:

SECTION XX. APPROPRIATION – STUDENT NEEDS AND CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for student needs and campus enhancements of the Department of Education – Arkansas School for the Deaf – Student Needs and Campus Enhancements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

| Item No. | Fiscal Year 2025-2026 |
|---|--------------------------|
| <u>(01) STUDENT NEEDS AND CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS</u> | <u>\$250,000</u> |

This request will establish an appropriation to allow the school to collect activity fees and donations to provide for student needs and campus enhancements.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

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95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025
Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill 75

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE
BLIND AND ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026
FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill 75

Amend Senate Bill 75 as originally introduced:

Page 8, immediately following SECTION 11, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

" SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - STUDENT NEEDS AND CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS - ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for student needs and campus enhancements of the Department of Education - Arkansas School for the Deaf - Student Needs and Campus Enhancements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

| ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
|--|-------------------|
| <u>NO.</u> | <u>2025-2026</u> |
| (01) STUDENT NEEDS AND CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS | <u>\$250,000"</u> |

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

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By: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
KMW/KMW - 02-18-2025 09:53:36
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Secretary



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February 17, 2025

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 HB1091, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Health.

Please amend SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS as follows and renumber accordingly:

| Item No. | Class Code | Title | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026 |
|----------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| (77) | A031C | ASSISTANT CONTROLLER | 2 <u>1</u> | GRADE GS11 |
| (125) | A060C | SENIOR AUDITOR | 2 | GRADE GS08 |
| | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 2,221 <u>2,218</u> | |

The above request is necessary to transfer positions to the Arkansas Department of Inspector General to provide optimal organizational placement of internal auditors.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Subtitle of House Bill 1091

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026
FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill 1091

Amend House Bill 1091 as originally introduced:

Page 5, line 1 delete "2" and substitute "1"

and

Page 6, delete line 13 in its entirety and substitute

"(125) A060C SENIOR AUDITOR ————— 2 ————— GRADE CS08"

and

Page 8, line 27 delete "2,221" and substitute "2,218".

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By: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE
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Chief Clerk

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STATE OF ARKANSAS
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February 17, 2025

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

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to HB1105, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Arkansas Department of Human Services - Secretary's Office.

Please amend SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS as follows:

| Item No. | Class Code | Title | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026 |
|----------|------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| (44) | N128N | DHS ASST DIR QUALITY ASSURANCE | 2 <u>1</u> | GRADE GS13 |
| (115) | R027C | BUDGET SPECIALIST | 15 <u>14</u> | GRADE GS06 |
| | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 652 <u>650</u> | |

This request is necessary to transfer a position to the Arkansas Department of Inspector General to provide optimal organizational placement of internal auditors. It also incorporates a position transfer that was approved by the Arkansas Legislative Council in the first Reallocation of Resource Request of Fiscal Year 2025.

Please amend SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION – OPERATIONS as follows:

| Item No. | | Fiscal Year 2025-2026 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$38,489,414 | <u>\$38,443,782</u> |
| (03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 14,118,330 | <u>14,099,810</u> |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u>\$69,824,499</u> | <u>\$69,760,347</u> |

This request provides for the reallocated position change and reflects appropriation accordingly.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

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95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025

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Subtitle of House Bill 1105

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - SECRETARY'S OFFICE
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill 1105

Amend House Bill 1105 as originally introduced:

On page 3, line 27, delete "2" and substitute "1"

AND

On page 5, line 26, delete "15" and substitute "14"

AND

On page 7, line 4, delete "652" and substitute "650"

AND

On page 7, line 23, delete "\$38,489,414" and substitute "\$38,443,782"

AND

On page 7, line 25, delete "14,118,330" and substitute "14,099,810"

AND

On page 7, line 34, delete "\$69,824,499" and substitute "\$69,760,347".

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The Amendment was read

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Chief Clerk



GL #7

STATE OF ARKANSAS
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GOVERNOR

February 17, 2025

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 HB1107, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Arkansas Department of Human Services – Division of County Operations.

Immediately following Section 8, please insert the following and renumber accordingly:

SECTION X. APPROPRIATION – SUMMER EBT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for expenses associated with the Summer EBT of the Department of Human Services – Division of County Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

| Item No. | Fiscal Year |
|------------------------|---|
| (01) <u>SUMMER EBT</u> | <u>2025-2026</u> <u>\$50,555,398</u> |

This request will implement the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) Program that provides grocery buying benefits to low-income families with school-aged children when schools are closed for the Summer.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Subtitle of House Bill 1107

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF COUNTY
OPERATIONS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill 1107

Amend House Bill 1107 as originally introduced:

On page 6, immediately following SECTION 8, insert the following Section:

" SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - SUMMER EBT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for expenses associated with the Summer EBT of the Department of Human Services - Division of County Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

| ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| <u>NO.</u> | <u>2025-2026</u> |
| (01) SUMMER EBT | <u>\$50,555,398"</u> |

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent section numbers of the bill.

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Chief Clerk

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February 17, 2025

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair
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State Capitol Building
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Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendment to SB39, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Commerce – Division of Workforce Services.

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

| Item No. | Class Code | Title | Maximum | | Maximum Annual |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | No. of Employees | | Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026 |
| (37) | A044C | AUDIT COORDINATOR | 1 | | GRADE GS10 |
| (51) | A066C | INTERNAL AUDITOR | 4 | | GRADE GS08 |
| (55) | A060C | SENIOR AUDITOR | 5 | <u>2</u> | GRADE GS08 |
| MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | | | 627 | <u>619</u> | |

The above request is necessary to transfer positions to the Arkansas Department of Inspector General to provide optimal organizational placement of internal auditors.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Governor of Arkansas

ARKANSAS SENATE
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Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill 39

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - DIVISION OF WORKFORCE
SERVICES APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill 39

Amend Senate Bill 39 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 32 in its entirety and substitute

"~~(37) A044C AUDIT COORDINATOR~~ _____ ~~1~~ _____ ~~GRADE CS10~~"

and

Page 3, delete line 10 in its entirety and substitute

"~~(51) A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR~~ _____ ~~4~~ _____ ~~GRADE CS08~~"

and

Page 3, line 14, delete "5" and substitute "2"

and

Page 4, line 22, delete "627" and substitute "619".

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By: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

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Secretary

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GL #9

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February 17, 2025

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
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Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendment to HB1174, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Corrections - Division of Correction.

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

| Item No. | Class Code | Title | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Fiscal Year 2025-2026 |
| (46) | A066C | INTERNAL AUDITOR | 1 | GRADE GS08 |
| (52) | A081C | AUDITOR | 1 | GRADE GS07 |
| | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 216 <u>214</u> | |

The above request is necessary to transfer positions to the Arkansas Department of Inspector General to provide optimal organizational placement of internal auditors.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Subtitle of House Bill 1174

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - DIVISION OF CORRECTION
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill 1174

Amend House Bill 1174 as originally introduced:

Page 3, delete line 4 and substitute the following:

~~"(46) A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR _____ 1 _____ GRADE GS08"~~

AND

Page 3, delete line 10 and substitute the following:

~~"(52) A081C AUDITOR _____ 1 _____ GRADE GS07"~~

AND

Page 4, line 10, delete "216 and substitute "214".

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GL #10

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February 17, 2025

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
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Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendment to SB93, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education.

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

| Item No. | Class Code | Title | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026 |
|----------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| (25) | A014C | FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS12 |
| | | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 89 | <u>88</u> |

This request is necessary to transfer a position to the Arkansas Department of Inspector General to provide optimal organizational placement of internal auditors.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Governor of Arkansas

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Subtitle of Senate Bill 93

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026
FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill 93

Amend Senate Bill 93 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 19 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"~~(25) A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER _____ 1 GRADE GS12~~"

AND

Page 3, line 22, delete "89" and substitute "88".

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By: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

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Secretary

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GL #11

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February 17, 2025

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

I respectfully request the following amendments to SB22, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Inspector General.

Please amend SECTION 14. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT as follows and renumber accordingly:

| Item Class | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026 |
|---|--------------------------|--|
| (X) <u>A024N OAL INTERNAL AUDITOR</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>GRADE SE01</u> |
| (X) <u>N128N DHS ASST DIR</u> <u>QUALITY ASSURANCE</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>GRADE GS13</u> |
| (X) <u>A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>GRADE GS12</u> |

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----------|-------------------|
| (X) <u>A031C ASSISTANT CONTROLLER</u> | | <u>1</u> | <u>GRADE GS11</u> |
| (5) <u>A044C AUDIT COORIDINATOR</u> | 5 | <u>6</u> | <u>GRADE GS10</u> |
| (X) <u>A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR</u> | | <u>5</u> | <u>GRADE GS08</u> |
| (X) <u>A060C SENIOR AUDITOR</u> | | <u>5</u> | <u>GRADE GS08</u> |
| (X) <u>A081C AUDITOR</u> | | <u>1</u> | <u>GRADE GS07</u> |
| MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 9 | <u>25</u> | |

This request moves Internal Audit positions from several state departments to the Department of Inspector General to provide optimal organizational placement of internal auditors.

Please amend Section 15. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT-OPERATIONS as follows:

| Item No. | | FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES | <u>\$772,222</u> | <u>\$1,926,800</u> |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | <u>248,659</u> | <u>636,180</u> |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | | |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE | <u>318,159</u> | <u>702,719</u> |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | <u>11,000</u> | <u>44,600</u> |
| (C) PROF. FEES | <u>20,000</u> | <u>51,500</u> |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u>\$1,370,040</u> | <u>\$3,361,799</u> |

This request will provide sufficient appropriation for the transfer of Internal Audit positions from several state departments to the Department of Inspector General.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor of Arkansas

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95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025
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Subtitle of Senate Bill 22

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE
2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill 22

Amend Senate Bill 22 as originally introduced:

On page 8, immediately following line 3, insert the following item:

"(1.1) A024N OAL INTERNAL AUDITOR 1 GRADE SE01"

AND

On page 8, immediately following line 5, insert the following:

"(3.1) N128N DHS ASST DIR QUALITY ASSURANCE 1 GRADE GS13"

AND

On page 8, immediately following line 6, insert the following:

"(4.1) A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER 1 GRADE GS12
(4.2) A031C ASSISTANT CONTROLLER 1 GRADE GS11"

AND

On page 8, line 7, delete "__5" and insert "6"

AND

On page 8, immediately following line 7, insert the following:

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| "(6) | A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR | 5 | GRADE GS08 |
| (7) | A060C SENIOR AUDITOR | 5 | GRADE GS08 |
| (8) | A081C AUDITOR | <u>1</u> | GRADE GS07" |

AND

On page 8, line 8, delete "9" and substitute "25"

AND

On page 8, line 19, delete "\$772,222" and substitute "\$1,926,800"

AND

On page 8, line 20, delete "248,659" and substitute "636,180"

AND

On page 8, line 22, delete "318,159" and substitute "702,719"

AND

On page 8, line 23, delete "11,000" and substitute "44,600"

AND

On page 8, line 24, delete "20,000" and substitute "51,500"

AND

On page 8, line 27, delete "\$1,370,040" and substitute "\$3,361,799".

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

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