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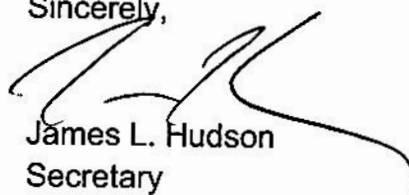
Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair  
Representative Jeffrey Wardlaw, Co-Chair  
Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee  
Arkansas Legislative Council  
State Capitol Building  
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY 25 Various Temporary Appropriation Request(s)

Dear Co-Chairs:

Pursuant to Act 152 of 2024, Section 33, I am forwarding for appropriate action as required by law, the attached Various Temporary Appropriation for State Agencies and Institutions Request(s) for Fiscal Year 2025 that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely,



James L. Hudson  
Secretary

Attachment(s)



Arkansas Securities  
Department



FY 2025  
HUGH McDONALD  
SECRETARY OF COMMERCE  
SUSANNAH MARSHALL  
COMMISSIONER  
ARKANSAS SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

May 8, 2025

Jim Hudson, Secretary  
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Fund: SDH4300  
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RE: FY25 PEER Request – Various Temporary Appropriation

Dear Secretary Hudson:

I respectfully request your approval to transfer appropriation from the FY25 authorized DFA Disbursing Officer Appropriation authorized for Various Temporary Appropriation (VTA) for State Agencies Institutions (Section 33 of Act 152 of 2024) to the Arkansas Securities Department (027/SDH4300/320201). The requested appropriation amount for FY25 is \$115,000.

The 94<sup>th</sup> General Assembly enacted Act 475 of 2023, which transferred the administrative functions of the Arkansas Securities Department (ASD) to the Arkansas State Bank Department (ASBD), amended the law concerning the organization of the Arkansas Securities Department, authorized the Bank Commissioner to also serve as the Securities Commissioner and defined the Arkansas Securities Department as an entity "...within the Arkansas State Bank Department."

By establishing the Securities Department as an entity created within the State Bank Department and assigning the responsibility to oversee all administrative functions and activities of the Securities Department to the Bank Commissioner, Act 475 of 2023 expanded the duties required of the Bank Commissioner and certain administrative support staff that now support both the Bank Department and the Securities Department. In FY25, the Bank Department and Securities Department were combined into one shared appropriation act (Act 56 of 2024), but because the Act still maintains a separate salary section for each department, the salary related expenses for the shared administrative support staff cannot be allocated directly in AASIS. To accommodate this restriction and to ensure the appropriate allocation of these expenses between both the Bank Department Special Revenue Fund and the Securities Department Special Revenue fund, the Bank Department and the Securities Department entered a Memorandum of Understanding that authorizes the Securities Department to reimburse the State Bank Department for the portion of time that Bank Department staff work on ASD activities.

In accordance with guidelines established by the DFA Office of Accounting, the reimbursements are accomplished through a *budget relevant* funds transfer recorded in AASIS, which means that the funds transfers utilize ASD's appropriation authorized for Operating Expenses. When the ASD's FY25 Budget was prepared, it had not yet been determined that these funds transfers would

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utilize appropriation, so no additional appropriation was added at that time to cover this added expenditure. Although the ASD was able to absorb a portion of this total expenditure (approximately \$40,000) in their existing FY25 Budget, the Securities Department does not have sufficient budget to support the remaining portion of \$115,000.

The Department has sufficient special revenue funding to support this request. If you need further information, please let me know.

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Sincerely,



Susannah Marshall

Commissioner

Arkansas Securities Department