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September 4, 2026

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: FY27 Various Temporary Appropriation Request(s)

Dear Co-Chairs:

Pursuant to Act 168 of 2026, Section 31, 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 2027 that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JL Hudson', is written over a horizontal line.

James L. Hudson
Secretary

Attachment(s)



Sarah Huckabee Sanders
GOVERNOR

Renee Mallory, RN, BSN
SECRETARY OF HEALTH

Jennifer Dillaha, MD
DIRECTOR

BA: 0645
Func. Area: AN62000.0645
Fund: SDI0000000
Fund Balance as of 8/13/2026 is \$207,179
CI: BM02
CRB

August 11, 2026

Jim Hudson, Secretary
Department of Finance & Administration
1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Various Temporary Appropriation Letter Increase – Interpreters for Deaf and Hearing
Impaired Board

Dear Secretary Hudson:

The Arkansas Department of Health (ADH). On behalf of the Interpreters for Deaf and Hearing Impaired Board, request an FY27 appropriation increase in the amount of \$155,000. The details of the request are as follows:

Business Area: 0645	Fund: SDI0000000
Functional Area: HHS	Fund Center: AN62000.0645
Commitment Item: BM02	Amount: \$155,000

The request will allow the Board to expand education regarding the important work interpreters provide to communities statewide, assist in updating the current testing, and allow the board to have staff to provide administrative assistance. Responsibilities of this staff will include duties such as processing necessary documents for licensure renewals, issuances of licensure cards, payment processing fees, Board meeting facilitation, and communication dissemination among the Board members and licenses.

The amount of funding requested annually is based on the funding available through the receipt of fees and the use of the fund balance.

If you would like additional information, I can be reached at Geray.pickle@arkansas.gov or by phone at 501-661-2748.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Geray Pickle".

Geray Pickle
Chief Fiscal Officer, Arkansas Department of Health

Arkansas Department of Health
4815 West Markham St. • Little Rock, AR 72205

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CC: Renee Mallory, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Health
Don Adams, Chief of Staff and Deputy Director of Administration, ADH
Matt Gilmore, Boards and Commissions Coordinator, ADH



Division of Elementary and Secondary Education

Transforming Arkansas to lead the nation in student-focused education

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Jacob Oliva
Secretary

August 17, 2026

Stacy Smith
Deputy
Commissioner

Secretary Jim Hudson
Department of Finance and Administration
1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401
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Courtney Salas-Ford
Chief of Staff

State Board of
Education

Various Temporary Appropriation for State Agencies

Secretary Hudson,

Randy Henderson
Blytheville
Chair

The Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) respectfully requests a transfer of \$70,000,000 in appropriation from Various Temporary Appropriation for State Agencies and Institutions pursuant to Section 31 of Act 168 of 2026.

Dr. Gary Arnold
Little Rock
Vice Chair

Every Arkansas family deserves access to the best possible school options for their children. The Arkansas Children's Educational Freedom Account Program empowers parents to choose a school based on students' individual needs. This appropriation will allow the division to spend the requested restricted reserve funding during the 2026-2027 school year.

Lisa Hunter
White Hall

This appropriation is requested in the following line items:

Jeff Wood
Little Rock

Functional Area: ABF9000.0500
Fund: MEF0100000
Commitment Item: BX46

Ken Bragg
Sheridan

Please contact me at 501-682-4256 if you require additional information.

Leigh Keener
Little Rock

Sincerely,

Dr. Aaron Abbott
Springdale


Greg Rogers
Chief Fiscal Officer, Department of Education

GR:kh



**DHS Secretary Janet Mann
Office of the Secretary**

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August 28, 2026

Jim Hudson, Secretary
Department of Finance and Administration
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BA: 0710
FA: HHS
FC: ABZ5000.0710
Fund: PWPBHDC000
CI: BC05
Fund Balance as of 8/28/26: \$0
KW

Dear Secretary Hudson,

On behalf of the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services (DDS), I respectfully request Various Temporary Appropriation in the amount of \$231,890.55 from the Various Temporary Appropriation for State Agencies and Institutions pursuant to Section 31 of Act 168 of 2026. The appropriation is needed because the estimated cost of the Booneville Human Development Center's (HDC) wastewater treatment plant came in substantially higher than originally projected. This is an appropriation request only as funds will be transferred from a combination of Royalties, Timber Proceeds, Respite Payments, and Capitol Improvement Fund. Arkansas Code Annotated § 20-48-511 authorizes DDS to spend timber sales proceeds. Arkansas Code Annotated § 20-48-411 in conjunction with § 20-48-501 and § 20-48-502 gives the DDS Board statutory authority to use available HDC funds to acquire and construct anything necessary to operate and carry out purposes of the HDC's.

Business Area: 0710
Fund Center: BZ5
Fund: PWPBHDC
Functional Area: HHS
Commitment Item: BC05 - \$231,890.55

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Janet Mann, Secretary
Arkansas Department of Human Services

JM:sri

cc: DFA – Office of Budget