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**STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
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 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
No. Code Title		
<u>(X) A024N OAL INTERNAL AUDITOR</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE SE01</u>
<u>(X) N128N DHS ASST DIR</u>		
<u>QUALITY ASSURANCE</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS13</u>
<u>(X) A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS12</u>

<u>(X) A031C ASSISTANT CONTROLLER</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>GRADE GS11</u>
(5) A044C AUDIT COORIDINATOR	5	<u>6</u>	<u>GRADE GS10</u>
<u>(X) A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR</u>		<u>5</u>	<u>GRADE GS08</u>
<u>(X) A060C SENIOR AUDITOR</u>		<u>5</u>	<u>GRADE GS08</u>
<u>(X) 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

ARKANSAS SENATE
95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025
Amendment Form

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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 _____

By: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

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Secretary

1 State of Arkansas
2 95th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2025

A Bill

SENATE BILL 22

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
12 2026; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR
17 GENERAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026
18 FISCAL YEAR.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby
24 established for the Department of Inspector General for the 2025-2026 fiscal
25 year, the following maximum number of regular employees.
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Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2025-2026
31	(1) SC009	SECRETARY OF INSPECTOR GENERAL	1	GRADE SE05
32	(2) U125U	INSPECTOR GENERAL CHIEF COUNSEL	1	GRADE SE01
33	(3) N199N	DIG DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS14
34	(4) A143C	TAX APPEALS ACCOUNTANT	1	GRADE GS13
35	(5) A115C	DIG CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS12
36	(6) G076C	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER	1	GRADE GS10



(1.1)	A024N OAL INTERNAL AUDITOR	1	GRADE SE01
(3.1)	N128N DHS ASST DIR QUALITY ASSURANCE	1	GRADE GS13
(4.1)	A014C FISCAL DIVISION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS12
(4.2)	A031C ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	1	GRADE GS11
(6)	A066C INTERNAL AUDITOR	5	GRADE GS08
(7)	A060C SENIOR AUDITOR	5	GRADE GS08
(8)	A081C AUDITOR	1	GRADE GS07

2	No.	Code	Title	Employees	2025-2026
3	(1)	N219N	DFA ADMINISTRATOR-INTERNAL AUDIT	1	GRADE SE02
4	(2)	A144C	INTERNAL AUDIT DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
5	(3)	A010C	AGENCY CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE GS13
6	(4)	A021C	AGENCY CONTROLLER I	1	GRADE GS12
7	(5)	A044C	AUDIT COORDINATOR	<u>5</u> 6	GRADE GS10
8			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	<u>9</u> 25	

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT - OPERATIONS.
 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Inspector General, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Inspector General - Office of Internal Audit - Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR	
N O	2025	2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 1,926,800	\$772,222
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	636,180	248,659
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	702,719	318,159
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	44,600	11,000
(C) PROF. FEES	51,500	20,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY		0
(E) DATA PROC.		0
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$ 3,361,799	\$1,370,040

SECTION 16. REGULAR SALARIES - INDEPENDENT TAX APPEALS COMMISSION.
 There is hereby established for the Department of Inspector General - Independent Tax Appeals Commission for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item Class	Maximum No. of	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year
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