

**REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION  
AND EXPENDITURE REVIEW (PEER)  
OF THE  
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**September 16, 2022**

Dear Co- Chairs:

Your Subcommittee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) met on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, and after having considered the following items, reports that the Subcommittee's review and/or approval is complete unless otherwise noted.

Items for Approval

A. Various Temporary Appropriation Requests

1. Game and Fish Commission – \$3,000,000
2. Department of Labor and Licensing – Professional Bail Bondsman Licensing Board – \$30,000
3. Department of Human Services – Division of Medical Services – \$5,000,000 – **HELD**

B. American Rescue Plan Act Appropriation Requests

**Direct Federal Awards**

1. Arkansas Northeastern College – \$259,869
2. Cossatot Community College of UA – \$288,441
3. Ozarka College – \$369,169
4. Southeast Arkansas College – Grant Aid – \$477,561
5. UA – Pulaski Technical College – \$1,603,208
6. Department of Human Services – County Operations – \$0 Reallocation
7. Department of Human Services – Developmental Disabilities – \$232,629

**Arkansas ARPA Steering Committee Awards**

8. Arkansas Tech University – \$3,200,000 – **HELD**
9. University of Arkansas at Monticello – \$6,000,000 – **HELD**
10. University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff – \$3,000,000 – **HELD**
11. Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer – Northwest Technical Institute – \$5,000,000 – **HELD**
12. Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer – Women and Children First – \$9,597,000 – **HELD**
13. Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer – Philander Smith College – \$5,000,000 – **HELD**
14. Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer – Arkansas Rural Health Partnership – \$10,000,000 – **HELD**
15. Black River Technical College – \$4,622,857

16. Southeast Arkansas College – Student Center Building – \$3,000,000 – **HELD**
17. Department of Human Services – Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health – \$5,000,000
18. Department of Human Services – Medical Services – \$60,000,000 – **HELD**
19. Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer – Vaccination Testing Reimbursement – \$25,000
20. Department of Agriculture – \$280,000,000

C. Rainy Day Fund Transfer Request

1. Department of Health – \$350,000
2. Department of Inspector General – \$109,000

D. Restricted Reserve Fund Transfer Request

1. Department of Human Services – Division of Medical Services – \$5,000,000 – **HELD**

Items for Review

E. Cash Appropriation Requests

1. Department of Education – Division of Elementary and Secondary Education – \$2,817,000
2. Department of Finance and Administration – Racing Commission – \$445,000
3. Department of Inspector General – Fair Housing Commission – \$109,000

F. Budget Classification Transfer Requests

1. Claims Commission – \$3,000 to Operating Expenses from Conference and Travel
2. Department of Education – Career and Technical Education – \$56,000 to Conference and Travel Expenses from Operating Expenses

G. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Appropriation Requests

1. Department of Commerce – Rehabilitation Services – \$100,000
2. Department of the Military – \$15,000,000
3. Department of Public Safety – Arkansas Crime Information Center – \$110,687

H. Performance Fund/Pay Plan Appropriation Holding Account Transfer Request

1. Department of Commerce – Securities Department – \$12,000

Item for Final Action

On July 21, 2022, Legislative Council authorized the Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) subcommittee to meet as needed, including outside the regular Legislative Council week, to consider Department of Education requests for American Rescue Plan Act appropriation to make grants to local school districts with funding from the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund. Legislative Council provided PEER with final approval of these appropriation requests.

ALC/PEER Report  
September 16, 2022

The PEER subcommittee met on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, and after having approved the following item, reports that the subcommittee's final action is complete.

- I. Department of Education Request for American Rescue Plan Appropriation for Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund Grants – \$65,602,517

Reports

- J. Annual Report
  1. Agency Carry Forward of Unexpended Balances Report
- K. Monthly Reports
  1. Surplus Income and Distribution Report
  2. Budget Stabilization Trust Fund Report
  3. Tobacco Settlement Report
  4. State Central Services Fund Report
  5. American Rescue Plan Report

Respectfully submitted by Subcommittee Co– Chairs, Senator Jonathan Dismang and Representative Michelle Gray