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Senator Bruce Maloch, Co-Chair Representative Stephen Meeks, Co-Chair Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee Arkansas Legislative Council State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY15 Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Request(s)

Dear Co-Chairs:

I am forwarding for appropriate action as required by law, the attached Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely.

Richard A. Weiss Director

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Attachment(s)



Tony Wood Commissioner

November 5, 2014

State Board of Education

Sam Ledbetter Little Rock Chair

Mr. Richard Weiss, Chief Fiscal Officer Department of Finance and Administration 1509 West 7th Street Room 401

Little Rock, AR 72203

Toyce Newton Crossett Vice Chair

Dear Mr. Weiss:

Dr. Jay Barth Little Rock

> Joe Black Newport

By authority granted in Section 20 of Act 293 of 2014, I am requesting your and the Arkansas Legislative Council's approval of the following appropriation transfers for FY15:

Kim Davis Favetteville

PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND (JAA) APPROPRIATION TRANSFER

Alice Mahony El Dorado

Mireya Reith Fayetteville

Vicki Saviers Little Rock

Diane Zook Melbourne

FROM:

School Funding Contingency (2ZH) (\$24,313,643) Declining Enrollment (4HN) (1,000,000)(\$25,313,643)

TO:

Alternative Learning Environment (311) \$600,000 At-Risk (088) 100,000 State Foundation Funding Aid (2HP) 14,504,485 Student Growth (332) 10.109,158 \$25,313,643

The additional appropriation needed for Alternative Learning Environment is due to funding adjustments that were made based on inclement weather waiver days in school year 2013-14. The allowance for waiver days increased the number of FTEs in Alternative Learning Environments for funding purposes.

The additional appropriation for the At-Risk program is needed so that the ADE can reallocate unused FY14 College and Career Readiness Planning Program (CCRPP) funds for use in FY15.

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The additional amount requested for State Foundation Funding Aid is due to an unanticipated increase in statewide ADM for public school districts and open enrollment charter schools.

The additional amount needed for Student Growth in FY15 is based on the revised projection of funds to be distributed to public school districts and open enrollment charter schools.

EDUCATION RENEWAL ZONES TRANSFER

APPROPRIATION TRANSFER

FROM:

Education Renewal Zones (2HY) (\$86,550)

Professional Fees (10)

TO:

Education Renewal Zones (2HY)

Grants & Aids (04) \$86,550

Additional appropriation is needed for Grants & Aids in the Education Renewal Zones program for grants to universities. The contract for evaluation of the program has been reduced (professional fees), and universities have exhausted fund balances in operating ERZ programs for the past three years.

FEDERAL OPERATIONS APPROPRIATION TRANSFER

FROM:

Federal Elementary and Secondary Education (650)

Professional Fees (10) (\$500,000)

TO:

Federal Grants Administration (435)

Professional Fees (10) \$500,000

Additional appropriation is needed for Professional Fees in the Federal Grants Administration appropriation in order to pay Legislative Audit for federal program audit costs.

I appreciate your consideration and approval of this request. If you have any questions, please call Greg Rogers at 682-4256.

Sincerely,

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Tony Wood Commissioner

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cc: Brandon Sharp, Administrator

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