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Senator Gary Stubblefield, Co-Chair
Representative Monte Hodges, Co-Chair
Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee
Joint Budget Committee
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Various Temporary Appropriation Request(s)

Dear Co-Chairs:

The attached requests were originally submitted to be considered as Supplemental Appropriation bill requests, but due to the condensed timeline of the Fiscal Session, are now being submitted as Various Temporary Appropriation for State Agencies and Institutions Request(s).

Pursuant to Act 1006 of 2019, Section 74, I am forwarding for appropriate action as required by law, the attached Various Temporary Appropriation for State Agencies and Institutions Request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Larry W. Walther'.

Larry W. Walther
Secretary

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Various Temporary Appropriation Request Summary

Arkansas Department of Education

Division of Elementary and Secondary Education

(Item 1)	Early Intervention Day Treatment (EIDT) Special Education Services	\$3,000,000
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Arkansas Department of Veterans' Affairs

(Item 2)	State Operations	\$5,000
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(Item 3)	Veterans' Cemeteries	\$108,200
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Department of Commerce

State Insurance Department

(Item 4)	AACET Member Restitution	\$500,000
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Arkansas Rehabilitation Services

(Item 5)	Statewide Disability Telecomm Equipment Program	\$84,407
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(Item 6)	People with Disabilities Program	\$23,675
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SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

Agency: Arkansas Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education

Program Title: Early Intervention Day Treatment (EIDT) Special Education Services

Appropriation only: X Yes No

General Revenue Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Other Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Source of Other Funding:

Accounting Information:

Business Area: 0500 Funds Center: X56 Fund: JAA1002 Functional Area: EDUC

	Authorized FY20	Supplemental Request FY20	Executive Recommendation
Regular Salaries			
Number of Positions			
Extra Help			
Number of Positions			
Personal Services Matching			
Operating Expenses			
Conference & Travel Expenses			
Professional Fees			
Capital Outlay			
Grants/Aid	1,000,000	3,000,000	
Total	1,000,000	3,000,000	-

IGS Approval (if applicable) Date Items requested for information technology must be in compliance with Technology Plans as submitted to IGS.

Supplemental Personnel Positions Requested:

Position Title	Class Code	Grade	Line Item Maximum	# of Positions Requested
Total Positions Requested				-

Current Authorization(s):

Section	Act
1	877 of 2019

Summary of Request and Statement of Need: (If IT related reference the location/number in the agency's IT Plan)

Substantial student growth at school districts and education cooperatives occurred in FY20. These entities are responsible for providing early childhood special education services for students previously in Early Intervention Day Treatment (EIDT) centers. Additional appropriation is requested to provide adequate services to these students.

Impact if Not Approved:

Without this appropriation the division will be unable to provide the support needed for the special educational services to districts and educational cooperatives who have seen growth this fiscal year.

Alternatives:

Executive Recommendation:

Revised 2/19/2020

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

Agency: Arkansas Department of Veterans' Affairs

Program Title: State Operations

Appropriation only: X Yes No

General Revenue Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Other Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Source of Other Funding:

Accounting Information: Business Area: 0385 Funds Center: 224 Fund: HUA2201 Functional Area: HHS

	Authorized FY20	Supplemental Request FY20	Executive Recommendation
Regular Salaries	1,208,852		
Number of Positions	15		
Extra Help	-		
Number of Positions	0		
Personal Services Matching	394,198		
Operating Expenses	220,500	5,000	
Conference & Travel Expenses	33,000		
Professional Fees	-		
Capital Outlay	53,000		
Grants/Aid	283,500		
Total	2,193,050	5,000	-

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Supplemental Personnel Positions Requested:

Position Title	Class Code	Grade	Line Item Maximum	# of Positions Requested
Total Positions Requested				-

Current Authorization(s):

Section	Act
3	718 of 2019

Summary of Request and Statement of Need: (If IT related reference the location/number in the agency's IT Plan)

The Department of Veterans' Affairs requests permission to utilize excess funding to purchase computer needs of administrative staff and veteran service officers to adhere to technology standards established by the Department of Transformation and Share Services- Division of Information System.

Impact if Not Approved:

The Department of Veterans' Affairs run the risk of a technology security breach due to outdated and unsupported computers.

Alternatives:

In order to implement alternative migating internal control to prevent security breaches, the Agency will reduce operational expenses in the area of mileage reimbursment for Administrative Services to purchase computers and Reduce the Training budget for County and State Veteran Service Officers to purchase computers and provide training via alternative methods such as Tele-conferencing, email correspondences, and electronic media. With these reductions of cost, the agency will buy necessary security software.

Executive Recommendation:

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

Agency: Arkansas Department of Veterans' Affairs

Program Title: Veterans' Cemeteries

Appropriation only: X Yes No

General Revenue Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Other Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Source of Other Funding:

Accounting Information:

Business Area: 0385 Funds Center: 490 Fund: HUA2203 Functional Area: HHS

	Authorized FY20	Supplemental Request FY20	Executive Recommendation
Regular Salaries	170,327		
Number of Positions	4		
Extra Help	-		
Number of Positions	0		
Personal Services Matching	64,066		
Operating Expenses	88,950	16,200	
Conference & Travel Expenses	-		
Professional Fees	-		
Capital Outlay		92,000	
Grants/Aid	-		
Total	323,343	108,200	-

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Supplemental Personnel Positions Requested:

Position Title	Class Code	Grade	Line Item Maximum	# of Positions Requested
Total Positions Requested				-

Current Authorization(s):

Section	Act
5	718 of 2019

Summary of Request and Statement of Need: (If IT related reference the location/number in the agency's IT Plan)

The Department of Veterans' Affairs requests permission to utilize excess funding to purchase computer needs of Cemetery Staff at both North Little Rock and Birdeye Veterans' Cemeteries to adhere to technology standards established by the Department of Transformation and Shared Services- Division of Information System. In addition, a portion will be used to purchase pieces of equipment required to perform burials within the guidelines established by the federal Veterans' Administration. This request is for appropriation only.

Impact if Not Approved:

The Department of Veterans' Affairs continues to run the risk of a technology security breach due to outdated and unsupported computers. The Agency will continue to use existing equipment until repair parts are no longer available, repairs can not be made, borrow equipment between cemeteries, or rent necessary equipment to continue burials within the guidelines established by the federal Veterans' Administration.

Alternatives:

In order to implement alternative migrating internal control to prevent security breaches, the Agency will reduce operational expenses for the cemeteries to purchase necessary security software. The Agency will continue to use the existing equipment until repairs are no longer possible. Other funding options will have to be considered to replace needed equipment.

Executive Recommendation:

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

Agency: Department of Commerce - State Insurance Department

Program Title: AACET Member Restitution

Appropriation only: X Yes No

General Revenue Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Other Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Source of Other Funding: State Insurance Department Trust Fund

Accounting Information:

Business Area: 0425 Funds Center: 2SW Fund: TSI4500 Functional Area: COMM

	Authorized FY20	Supplemental Request FY20	Executive Recommendation
Regular Salaries	7,496,872		
Number of Positions	189		
Extra Help	140,000		
Number of Positions	19		
Personal Services Matching	2,447,369		
Operating Expenses	2,200,674		
Conference & Travel Expenses	188,000		
Professional Fees	161,600		
Capital Outlay	102,000		
Grants/Aid			
Other: AACET Member Restitution	-	500,000	
Total	12,736,515	500,000	-

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Supplemental Personnel Positions Requested:

Position Title	Class Code	Grade	Line Item Maximum	# of Positions Requested
Total Positions Requested				-

Current Authorization(s):

Section	Act
3	722 of 19

Summary of Request and Statement of Need: (If IT related reference the location/number in the agency's IT Plan)

The Department is requesting this new line item to return funds to AACET members that were illegally obtained.

Impact if Not Approved:

If not approved, AACET members will have forfeited the funds illegally taken by AACET.

Alternatives:

Executive Recommendation:

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

Agency: Department of Commerce - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services

Program Title: Statewide Disability Telecommunication Equipment Program

Appropriation only: X Yes No

General Revenue Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Other Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Source of Other Funding:

Accounting Information:

Business Area: 0520 Funds Center: 374 Fund: STC0100 Functional Area: EDUC

	Authorized FY20	Supplemental Request FY20	Executive Recommendation
Regular Salaries	121,211		
Number of Positions	3		
Extra Help	-		
Number of Positions	0		
Personal Services Matching	42,272		
Operating Expenses	50,402	9,598	
Conference & Travel Expenses	3,165		
Professional Fees	5,000		
Capital Outlay	-		
Grants/Aid	175,191	74,809	
Total	397,241	84,407	-

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Supplemental Personnel Positions Requested:

Position Title	Class Code	Grade	Line Item Maximum	# of Positions Requested
Total Positions Requested				-

Current Authorization(s):

Section	Act
5	121 of 19

Summary of Request and Statement of Need: (If IT related reference the location/number in the agency's IT Plan)

The Division is requesting additional appropriation in the following areas:

1) Operating Expenses due to increased cost of supplies and exhibit fees for outreach; and

2) Grants/Aid due increased prices of new technology (smartphones/tablets) for the under-served population in recent years.

Impact if Not Approved:

If not approved, the division will be unable to reach as many people that need their service and to serve all Arkansans needing specialized telecommunication equipment.

Alternatives:

The Division will limit the number of individuals served.

Executive Recommendation:

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST FORM

Agency: Department of Commerce - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services

Program Title: People with Disabilities Program

Appropriation only: X Yes No

General Revenue Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Other Funding Amount Requested: None: X

Source of Other Funding:

Accounting Information:

Business Area: 0520 Funds Center: 743 Fund: SPD0100 Functional Area: EDUC

	Authorized FY20	Supplemental Request FY20	Executive Recommendation
Regular Salaries	-		
Number of Positions	-		
Extra Help	-		
Number of Positions	-		
Personal Services Matching	-		
Operating Expenses	6,325	23,675	
Conference & Travel Expenses	-		
Professional Fees	-		
Capital Outlay	-		
Grants/Aid	-		
Total	6,325	23,675	-

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Total Positions Requested				-

Current Authorization(s):

Section	Act
6	121 of 19

Summary of Request and Statement of Need: (If IT related reference the location/number in the agency's IT Plan)

Act 799 of 2017 established 50% of fines (previously set at 30%) collected in district court for violation of van accessible parking are to be used by the Governor's Commission for the purpose of scholarship awards to persons with disabilities at 30% and educating the public about accessible parking at 20%. The Commission is anticipating providing more scholarships this fiscal year than they provided last year and increasing their amount of public awareness campaigns.

Impact if Not Approved:

The Commission would have to greatly reduce the number of scholarship awards to Arkansans with disabilities who are seeking higher education and /or vocational training. The Commission would also have a reduction in providing public information to educate citizens, law enforcement personnel, and community service organizations regarding van accessibility and disability rights.

Alternatives:

The Commission would award less scholarships or reduce the amount of the scholarship to be awarded. They will also reduce the volume of educational outreach to the public regarding disability awareness.

Executive Recommendation: