



**STATE OF ARKANSAS
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS
GOVERNOR**

March 2, 2023

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 HB1118, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Arkansas Department of Human Services - Secretary's Office.

Please amend SECTION 3. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS as follows and renumber accordingly:

Item Class		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code	No. of	Salary Rate
	Title	Employees	Fiscal Year
			2023-2024
(1)	L023N	DHS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	4 <u>2</u> GRADE SE03
(2)	N011N	DFA CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER	1 GRADE SE02
(4)	N040N	DHS CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER	4 <u>2</u> GRADE SE02
(44)	D026N	DHS ELIGIBILITY SYSTEM	
		PROGRAM MGR	2 <u>3</u> GRADE GS13
(146)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	17 <u>15</u> GRADE GS04
(X)	<u>N255N</u>	<u>DHS CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR</u>	<u>2</u> <u>GRADE SE04</u>
(X)	<u>D068C</u>	<u>INFORMATION SYSTEMS ANALYST</u>	<u>1</u> <u>GRADE IT04</u>
(X)	<u>N102N</u>	<u>DHS/DCO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR</u>	<u>1</u> <u>GRADE GS14</u>
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	661 <u>662</u>

This request will incorporate position changes that were approved by the Arkansas Legislative Council in the first and second Reallocation of Resource Requests of Fiscal Year 2023. It will also reclassify two positions as DHS Chief Deputy Director to provide the necessary leadership titles within the Department and clearly identify the Chief Information Officer job title.

Please amend SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. TRANSFER AUTHORITY. as follows:

Page 12, line 26, delete "two" and substitute "four".

This request will allow the Department of Human Services to use Reallocation of Resources four times per year to allow flexibility for the agency, maximize budget efficiencies for both the state and Department of Human Services, and reduce administrative burdens.

Please amend SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT. as follows and renumber accordingly:

Remove all references of "Residential Care Assistant", "Residential Care Technician", and "Residential Care Supervisor".

This request will remove each occurrence of job titles that are no longer utilized at Department of Human Services facilities.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah Sanders". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sarah Huckabee Sanders