

Department of Transformation and Shared Services Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders Secretary Leslie Fisken

April 15, 2024

The Honorable Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair The Honorable Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly One Capitol Mall Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Dismang and Representative Jean:

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) submits a list of positions that have been vacant for 2 years or more in accordance with Act 796 of 2021. The current listing was produced on February 28, 2024, and was distributed to each department and agency for their review. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 215-226 (b)(4), the listing (ATTACHMENT A) includes each additional two-year vacant position that has been subsequently identified since the previous listing from June 15, 2023, and includes the department's response for each position.

OPM plans to eliminate approximately 639 positions that have been identified as '796 Hold' when department's budgets and positions are reviewed during the 2025 biennial session. Approximately 400 of the 639 positions are budgeted positions.

Your consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kay Barnhill

State Personnel Director

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