



**STATE OF ARKANSAS**

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April 3, 2019

Senator Larry Teague, 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 HB1109, as engrossed on 03/29/2019, the 2019-2020 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer:

Please add the following section:

SECTION XX. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS AGRICULTURAL MARKETING GRANTS PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the Arkansas Agricultural Marketing Grants Fund, for grants to wineries as provided by Arkansas Code § 3-5-901 et seq., for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR
(01) ARKANSAS AGRICULTURAL MARKETING GRANTS	2019-2020 <u>\$1,000,000</u>

In the event HB1817 is enacted, this request provides appropriation for the Arkansas Agricultural Marketing Grants Program from the Arkansas Agricultural Marketing Grants Fund. This would replace the Arkansas Wine Grants Program in Section 33 of the current bill.

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I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



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