

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS
SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

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February 11, 2020

Senator Larry Teague, Co-Chair
Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
One Capitol Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Appropriation, New Positions, and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)

Dear Senator Teague and Representative Jean:

Late in the 92nd session, the General Assembly passed Act 1003 of 2019 adding five new state circuit judgeships. Two of the new judgeships began in Fiscal Year 2020 and the other three begin in Fiscal Year 2021 (January 1, 2021 specifically). This legislation was passed subsequent to passage of the normal appropriation act (716 of 2019) which provides for one Trial Court Administrator and one Court Reporter for *each* circuit judgeship.

In order to staff the five new judgeships properly and in compliance with Act 1003, there should be an additional five (5) court reporters (Class Code Q227C, Grade GS08) for a total of 127 positions and five (5) trial court administrators (Class Code Q226C, Grade GS07) for a total of 127 positions as part of an act for the Administrative Office of the Courts – Court Personnel Appropriation for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year.

We are also requesting an increase from the Administration of Justice Fund in the DFA – Disbursing Bill for Trial Court Administrators and Court Reporters. We would like to increase the Trial Court Administrator allocation from \$7,761,035 to \$8,312,527 and increase the Court Reports allocation from \$5,355,833 to \$6,075,374.

In order to fund these positions, we are requesting an increase in appropriation from the Administration of Justice Fund to:

Trial Court Administrators –
Regular Salaries - \$6,247,843.00
Personal Services Matching - \$2,064,684.00

Court Reporters –
Regular Salaries - \$7,210,472.00
Personal Services Matching - \$2,403,490.00

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

My best,



Marty Sullivan

ARKANSAS SENATE
92nd General Assembly - Fiscal Session, 2020
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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 46

AN ACT FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS - COURT PERSONNEL
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill No. 46

Amend Senate Bill No. 46 as originally introduced:

Page 1, Line 35, delete "122" and substitute "127"

AND

Page 1, Line 36, delete "122" and substitute "127"

AND

Page 2, Line 11, delete "\$5,818,782" and substitute "\$6,247,843"

AND

Page 2, Line 12, delete "1,960,183" and substitute "2,064,684"

AND

Page 2, Line 15, delete "\$8,128,965" and substitute "\$8,662,527"

AND

Page 2, Line 26, delete "122" and substitute "127"

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AND

Page 3, Line 2, delete "\$6,724,774" and substitute "\$7,210,472"

AND

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Page 3, Line 3, delete \$2,169,647" and substitute "\$2,403,490"

AND

Page 3, Line 7, delete "\$10,219,421" and substitute "\$10,938,962".

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Joint Budget Committee

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Secretary

Hall of the House of Representatives

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1082

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1082

Amend House Bill No. 1082 as originally introduced:

Page 6, line 26, delete "\$39,920,595" and insert "\$41,191,628"

AND

Page 6, line 28, delete "\$44,920,595" and insert "\$46,191,628"

AND

Page 23, line 20, delete "5,355,833" and insert "5,355,833 6,075,374"

AND

Page 23, line 24, delete "7,761,035" and insert "7,761,035 8,312,527"

AND

Page 24, line 12, delete "\$39,920,595" and insert "~~\$39,920,595~~ \$41,191,628".

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The Amendment was read _____
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Chief Clerk