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STATE OF ARKANSAS
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GOVERNOR

February 23, 2021

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:

Please find attached an appropriation bill to the Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer for supplemental appropriation for Miscellaneous Federal Programs. This request will ensure there is sufficient appropriation for any federal grants awarded to the state for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2021.

I respectfully request introduction of this bill as a Joint Budget Committee Bill.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Asa Hutchinson", written over a large, stylized initial "A".

Asa Hutchinson

Attachment

Stricken language will be deleted and underlined language will be added.

1 State of Arkansas
2 93rd General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2021
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A Bill

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MISCELLANEOUS
9 GRANTS AND EXPENSES AND VARIOUS AGENCY TRANSFERS
10 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
11 - DISBURSING OFFICER WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL
12 AND IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY
13 ACT 2 of 2020; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
17 ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER
18 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - MISCELLANEOUS FEDERAL PROGRAMS. There is
25 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration -
26 Disbursing Officer, to be payable from any unanticipated Miscellaneous
27 Federal Program Funds received by the State of Arkansas or any of its
28 agencies which are deposited in the State Treasury, for transfer to state
29 agencies as provided by law which shall be supplemental and in addition to
30 those funds appropriated in Section 5 of Act 2 of 2020, the following:

31 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32 NO.	2020-2021
33 (01) MISCELLANEOUS FEDERAL GRANTS	<u>\$ 500,000,000</u>

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35 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized

1 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
2 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
3 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
4 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
5 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
6 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
7 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
8 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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10 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
11 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
12 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
13 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
14 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
15 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
16 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
17 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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19 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
20 General Assembly, that funds provided by the General Assembly for the
21 operations of the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing
22 Officer are, due to unforeseen circumstances, insufficient for the Department
23 of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer to continue to provide
24 essential governmental services; that the provisions of this act will provide
25 the necessary monies for the Department of Finance and Administration -
26 Disbursing Officer to continue such services; and that a delay in the
27 effective date of this Act could work irreparable harm upon the proper
28 administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore,
29 an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the
30 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in
31 full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

32 If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall
33 become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the
34 Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the
35 veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house
36 overrides the veto.