



**STATE OF ARKANSAS  
SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS  
GOVERNOR**

March 14, 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 HB1170, the 2023-2024 Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education – Division of Elementary and Secondary Education – Public School Fund. These changes will reflect an overall decrease of 9 positions for the biennium, as well as a decrease of \$115,977 in the overall appropriation for personnel. This letter also includes the necessary appropriation needed to implement several key components of the LEARNS Act.

Please amend SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION – GRANTS AND AID TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS and renumber accordingly as follows:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR
<del>(58) TEACHER RECRUITMENT</del>	<del>2,100,000</del>
<u>(XX) MATERNITY LEAVE</u>	<u>3,000,000</u>
<u>(XX) MERIT TEACHER INCENTIVE</u>	<u>10,000,000</u>
<u>(XX) MINIMUM TEACHER SALARY AND RAISES</u>	<u>190,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<del>\$3,233,341,080</del> <u>\$3,434,241,080</u>

This request will discontinue the Teacher Recruitment line item and establish the appropriation needed to implement Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act. This includes the Maternity Leave program, the Merit Teacher Incentive program, and the Minimum Teacher Salary and Raises.

Please amend SECTION 2. REGULAR SALARIES – ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPUTER NETWORK and renumber accordingly as follows:

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Item Class	Maximum	Maximum Annual
No. Code Title	No. of	Salary Rate
	Employees	Fiscal Year
		2023-2024
(13) C020C STUDENT APPLICATIONS SPECIALIST	4 <u>2</u>	GRADE GS06
<del>(14) D077C HELP DESK SPECIALIST</del>	<del>2</del>	<del>GRADE GS05</del>
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	<del>49</del> 45	

Please amend SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPUTER NETWORK as follows:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR
		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,856,694	\$2,719,574
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	991,467	932,456
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$29,601,250</u>	<u>\$29,405,119</u>

This request will surrender four (4) vacant positions at the Department of Education – Division of Elementary and Secondary Education – Public School Fund and the associated appropriation.

I respectfully request the following amendments to SB36, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education – Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation.

Please amend SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES – OPERATIONS and renumber accordingly as follows:

Item Class	Maximum	Maximum Annual
No. Code Title	No. of	Salary Rate
	Employees	Fiscal Year
		2023-2024
(XX) G075C ADE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS10
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	<del>31</del> 32	

Please amend SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION – OPERATIONS as follows:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR
		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	<del>\$1,744,141</del>	\$1,800,180
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	613,039	632,758
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><del>\$2,911,141</del></u>	<u>\$2,986,899</u>

This request provides for an additional position and associated appropriation for

the Division of Academic Facilities and Transportation to begin implementation and fulfill reporting requirements of the Transportation Modernization Grant Program as set forth in Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act. Full program implementation will not begin until Fiscal Year 2025.

I respectfully request the following amendments to SB76, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education.

Please amend SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES – SHARED SERVICES and renumber accordingly as follows:

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2023-2024
(XX)	E080C	ADE CHIEF OF STAFF	1	GRADE SE03
(XX)	G331C	ADE CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE SE01
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES			<del>84</del> 86	

Please amend SECTION 3. SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT as follows:

ITEM NO.			FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	<del>\$5,806,570</del>	\$6,086,680
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	<del>1,900,346</del>	1,978,128
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		<del>\$7,896,916</del>	\$8,254,808

Please amend SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES – STATE OPERATIONS and renumber accordingly as follows:

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2023-2024
(49)	A074C	FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	<del>4</del> 3	GRADE GS06
(53)	G178C	POLICY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	<del>4</del> 2	GRADE GS06
<del>(54)</del>	<del>B076C</del>	<del>RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS06</del>
<del>(55)</del>	<del>C022C</del>	<del>BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS05</del>
<del>(58)</del>	<del>D077C</del>	<del>HELP DESK SPECIALIST</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS05</del>
(59)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<del>35</del> 29	GRADE GS04
<del>(60)</del>	<del>R036C</del>	<del>HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS04</del>
(61)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<del>19</del> 17	GRADE GS03
(XX)	E081C	ADE ASSOCIATE DEPUTY	3	GRADE SE02
(XX)	E082C	ADE PROGRAM DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
(XX)	E001N	ADE COORDINATOR OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS	4	GRADE GS13
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES			<del>309</del> 302	

Please amend SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION – STATE OPERATIONS as follows:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR
		2023-2024
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$13,693,329
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	4,692,935
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$22,250,482</u>

Please amend SECTION 19. REGULAR SALARIES – PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD as follows:

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year
				2023-2024
(4)	X074C	EDUCATION INVESTIGATOR	4 3	GRADE GS08
		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	<del>12</del> 11	

Please amend SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION – PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD as follows:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR
		2023-2024
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$636,951
(02)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	228,513
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,411,294</u>

This request will surrender sixteen (16) vacant positions, add eight (8) new positions, and add the associated appropriation in order to implement and support the LEARNS Act and maintain government efficiencies.

Please amend SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION – REVOLVING LOAN CERTIFICATES PROGRAM as follows:

ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR
		2023-2024
(XX)	LOANS TO OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS	\$10,000,000
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$13,111,142</u>

This request will implement the facilities funding program for open-enrollment public charter schools as set forth in Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act.

Please delete in its entirety SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION – SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM and renumber accordingly.



Immediately following SECTION 24, please add the following:

SECTION XX. APPROPRIATION – EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNTS.  
There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Arkansas Children’s Educational Freedom Account Fund, for Educational Freedom Accounts by the Department of Education – Division of Elementary and Secondary Education – Educational Freedom Accounts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024
<u>(01) EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNTS</u>	<u>\$52,100,000</u>

This request will replace the Succeed Scholarship Program appropriation and establish the Education Freedom Accounts appropriation as set forth in Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



Sarah Huckabee Sanders

# Hall of the House of Representatives

94th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2023

## Amendment Form

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 1170**

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY  
EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

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**Amendment No. \_\_\_ to House Bill No. 1170**

Amend House Bill No. 1170 as originally introduced:

Page 3, delete line 22 in its entirety

AND

Page 3, delete line 28 in its entirety and substitute with the following:

" (64) YOUTH SHELTERS	165,000
(65) MATERNITY LEAVE	3,000,000
(66) MERIT TEACHER INCENTIVE	10,000,000
(67) MINIMUM TEACHER SALARY AND RAISES	<u>190,000,000"</u>

AND

Appropriately renumber all item numbers in SECTION 1

AND

Page 3, line 29, delete "\$3,233,341,080" and substitute "\$3,434,241,080"

AND

Page 4, line 17, delete "4" and substitute "2"

AND

Page 4, delete line 18 in its entirety and substitute the following:

~~"(14) D077C HELP DESK SPECIALIST \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE GS05"~~

AND

Page 4, line 20, delete "49" and substitute "45"

AND

Page 4, line 32. delete "\$2,856,694" and substitute "\$2,719,574"

AND

Page 4, line 33, delete "991,467" and substitute "932,456"

AND

Page 5, delete "\$29,601,259" and substitute "\$29,405,119".

The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_

By: Joint Budget Committee

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1 State of Arkansas  
2 94th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2023

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1170

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

## For An Act To Be Entitled

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8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL  
9 FUND GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -  
10 DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION -  
11 PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE  
12 30, 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -  
17 DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY  
18 EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND  
19 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL  
20 YEAR.

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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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25 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS AND AID TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND  
26 SPECIAL PROGRAMS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of  
27 Education, to be payable from the Division of Elementary and Secondary  
28 Education Public School Fund Account, for grants and aid to local school  
29 districts and special programs of the Department of Education - Division of  
30 Elementary and Secondary Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024,  
31 the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2023-2024
(01) 98% URT ACTUAL COLLECTION ADJUSTMENT	\$34,500,000
(02) ADVANCED PLACEMENT INCENTIVE	1,275,000





Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2023-2024
5	(1) D105C	ADE STATE NETWORK ENGINEER	1	GRADE IT09
6	(2) D022N	IT SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	1	GRADE IT09
7	(3) D104C	ADE STATE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE IT08
8	(4) D007C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGER	1	GRADE IT08
9	(5) D042C	DATA WAREHOUSE SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT06
10	(6) D037C	ADE APSCN APPLICATIONS MANAGER	3	GRADE IT05
11	(7) D063C	COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT05
12	(8) D055C	ADE APSCN FIELD ANALYST	25	GRADE IT04
13	(9) D079C	COMPUTER SUPPORT TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE IT02
14	(10) N047N	ADE APSCN DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS15
15	(11) G012C	ADE ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR	3	GRADE GS12
16	(12) G050C	ADE APSCN DIVISION MANAGER	3	GRADE GS10
17	(13) C020C	STUDENT APPLICATIONS SPECIALIST	4 <sup>2</sup>	GRADE GS06
<del>18</del>	<del>(14) D077C</del>	<del>HELP DESK SPECIALIST</del>	<del>2</del>	<del>GRADE GS05</del>
19	(15) C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
20	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		<del>49</del> 45	

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPUTER NETWORK.

There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education Public School Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education - Arkansas Public School Computer Network for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,719,574 <del>\$2,856,694</del>
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	\$932,456 <del>991,467</del>
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	25,245,839
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	7,250

1	(C) PROF. FEES	0
2	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	200,000
3	(E) DATA PROC.	0
4	(04) DATA ACCESS IMPLEMENTATION	<u>300,000</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<i>\$ 29,405,119</i> <del><u>\$29,601,250</u></del>

7 SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - OFFICE OF EDUCATION RENEWAL ZONES. There  
 8 is hereby established for the Department of Education - Division of  
 9 Elementary and Secondary Education - Office of Education Renewal Zones for  
 10 the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

12		Maximum Annual
13		Salary Rate
14	Item Class	Fiscal Year
15	No. Code Title	2023-2024
16	(1) E020C ADE OERZ TECHNICAL ASSIST SPECIALIST	3 GRADE GS08
17	(2) C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<u>1</u> GRADE GS04
18	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	4

20 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF EDUCATION RENEWAL ZONES. There is  
 21 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 22 Division of Elementary and Secondary Education Public School Fund Account,  
 23 for personal services, operating expenses, and grants by the Department of  
 24 Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education - Office of  
 25 Education Renewal Zones for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the  
 26 following:

28	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
29	NO.	2023-2024
30	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$168,180
31	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	66,099
32	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	25,000
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	3,000
35	(C) PROF. FEES	0
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
94th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2023  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 36**

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

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**Amendment No. \_\_\_ to Senate Bill No. 36**

Amend Senate Bill No. 36 as originally introduced:

Page 1, immediately following line 36, insert a new line to read as follows:  
"(3.1) G075C ADE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE GS10"

AND

Page 2, line 10, delete "31" and substitute "32"

AND

Page 2, line 30, delete "\$1,744,141" and substitute "\$1,800,180"

AND

Page 2, line 32, delete "613,039" and substitute "632,758"

AND

Page 3, line 4, delete "\$2,911,141" and substitute "\$2,986,899".

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

By: Joint Budget Committee  
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1 State of Arkansas  
2 94th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2023  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 36

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 EDUCATION - DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC  
11 FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
12 ENDING JUNE 30, 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -  
16 DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC  
17 FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
18 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL  
19 YEAR.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established  
26 for the Department of Education - Division of Public School Academic  
27 Facilities and Transportation for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following  
28 maximum number of regular employees.  
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Item	Class	Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Code	No. of	Salary Rate
		Employees	Fiscal Year
			2023-2024
34	(1) N015N ADE DIR PUB SCHOOL FACIL & TRANS	1	GRADE SE01
35	(2) N046N ADE ASST DIR ACADEMIC FACILITIES	1	GRADE GS14
36	(3) G051C ADE ACADEMIC FACIL SR PROJECT ADMIN	2	GRADE GS10
→	G075C ADE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS10



1	(4)	E016C PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAM COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS10
2	(5)	G090C ADE AREA PROJECT MANAGER	12	GRADE GS09
3	(6)	G039C SENIOR TRANSPORTATION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
4	(7)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
5	(8)	A074C FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
6	(9)	S028C SCHOOL BUS DRIVER TRAINER	3	GRADE GS05
7	(10)	X116C SCHOOL BUS TRANS INSPECTOR	6	GRADE GS05
8	(11)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS04
9	(12)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS03
10		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	<u>32</u>	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Education - Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: five (5) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation Fund Account, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Education - Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation - Operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,800,180 <del>\$1,744,141</del>
(02) EXTRA HELP	2,500
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	\$632,758 <del>613,039</del>
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	319,311
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	24,650
(C) PROF. FEES	0

1	(D) CAP. OUTLAY		0
2	(E) DATA PROC.		0
3	(05) SAFETY TRAINING		<u>207,500</u>
4	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<i>\$ 2,986,899</i>	<del><u>\$2,911,141</u></del>

6 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - PROGRAMS OF THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL  
7 ACADEMIC FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
8 Department of Education, to be payable from the Educational Facilities  
9 Partnership Fund Account, for grants and aid and special programs providing  
10 academic school facility and transportation assistance to the public school  
11 districts of the Department of Education - Division of Public School Academic  
12 Facilities and Transportation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the  
13 following:

15	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
16	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
17	(01) ACADEMIC FACILITIES PARTNERSHIP	\$211,828,951
18	(02) ACADEMIC EQUIPMENT	0
19	(03) ACADEMIC FACILITIES CATASTROPHIC	3,511,538
20	(04) ACADEMIC FACILITIES EXTRAORDINARY	
21	CIRCUMSTANCES PROGRAM	0
22	(05) ACADEMIC FACILITIES HIGH GROWTH	<u>0</u>
23	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$215,340,489</u>

25 SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
26 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
27 AUTHORITY - OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FACILITIES LOAN PROGRAM.  
28 The Department of Education - Division of Public School Academic Facilities  
29 and Transportation is authorized to transfer any funds that are made  
30 available for the Open-Enrollment Public Charter School Facilities Loan  
31 Program, including funds from the Development and Enhancement Fund or its  
32 successor fund or fund accounts, to the Open-Enrollment Public Charter School  
33 Facilities Loan Fund.

34 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2022  
35 2023 through June 30 ~~2023~~ 2024.

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**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
94th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2023  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 76**

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

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**Amendment No. \_\_\_ to Senate Bill No. 76**

Amend Senate Bill No. 76 as originally introduced:

Page 1, immediately following line 30, insert a new line to read as follows:

"(1.1) E080C ADE CHIEF OF STAFF 1 GRADE SE03"

AND

Page 1, immediately following line 31, insert a new line to read as follows:

"(2.1) G331C ADE CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL 1 GRADE SE01"

AND

Page 3, line 20, delete "84" and substitute "86"

AND

Page 4, line 3, delete "\$5,806,570" and substitute "\$6,086,680"

AND

Page 4, line 5, delete "1,900,346" and substitute "1,978,128"

AND

Page 4, line 12, delete "\$7,896,916" and substitute "\$8,254,808"

AND

Page 4, immediately following line 24, insert a new line to read as follows:

"(2.1) E081C ADE ASSOCIATE DEPUTY 3 GRADE SE02"

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AND

PAGE 5, immediately following line 2, insert a new line to read as follows:

" (16.1) E082C ADE PROGRAM DIRECTOR 1 GRADE GS15"

AND

Page 5, line 5, delete "3" and substitute "7"

AND

Page 5, line 35, delete "4" and substitute "3"

AND

Page 6, line 3, delete "4" and substitute "2"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 4 and 5 in their entirety and substitute the following:

~~"(54) B076C RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST 1 GRADE GS06~~  
~~(55) C022C BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST 1 GRADE GS05"~~

AND

Page 6, delete line 8 in its entirety and substitute the following:

~~"(58) D077C HELP DESK SPECIALIST 1 GRADE GS05"~~

AND

Page 6, line 9, delete "35" and substitute "29"

AND

Page 6, line 11, delete "19" and substitute "17"

AND

Page 6, line 12, delete "309" and substitute "302"

AND

Page 6, line 32, delete "\$13,693,329" and substitute "\$13,523,874"

AND

Page 6, line 34, delete "4,692,935" and substitute "4,571,106"

AND

Page 7, line 5, delete "\$22,250,482" and substitute "\$21,959,198"

AND

Page 8, line 23, delete "13,000,000" and substitute " 13,000,000"

AND

Page 8, immediately following line 23, insert a new line to read as follows:

" (05) LOANS TO OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS 10,000,000"

AND

Page 8, line 24, delete "\$13,111,142" and substitute "\$23,111,142"

AND

Page 13, line 14, delete "4" and substitute "3"

AND

Page 13, line 18, delete "12" and substitute "11"

AND

Page 13, line 30, delete "\$636,951" and substitute "\$591,941"

AND

Page 13, line 31, delete "228,513" and substitute "211,311"

AND

Page 14, line 3, delete "\$1,411,294" and substitute "\$1,349,082"

AND

Page 14, delete SECTION 22 in its entirety

AND

Page 15, immediately following SECTION 24, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

" SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Arkansas Children's Educational Freedom Account Fund, for Educational Freedom Accounts by the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and

Secondary Education - Educational Freedom Accounts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024
(01) EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNTS	<u>\$52,100,000"</u>

AND

Appropriately renumber all SECTION numbers of the bill.

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

By: Joint Budget Committee

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Secretary

1 State of Arkansas  
2 94th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2023

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 76

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024;  
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
16 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL  
17 YEAR.  
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - SHARED SERVICES. There is hereby  
23 established for the Department of Education for the 2023-2024 fiscal year,  
24 the following maximum number of regular employees.

25					1	SE03
26					1	Maximum Annual
27					Maximum	Salary Rate
28	Item	Class			No. of	Fiscal Year
29	No.	Code	Title		Employees	2023-2024
30	(1)	SC004	SECRETARY OF EDUCATION		1	GRADE SE05
31	(2)	U089U	DHE DEPUTY DIRECTOR		1	GRADE SE02
32	(3)	D011N	ADE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS		1	GRADE SE01
33	(4)	N009N	ASST COMMISSIONER FISCAL & ADMIN SVCS		1	GRADE SE01
34	(5)	D006N	STATE SYSTEMS ARCHITECT		1	GRADE IT10
35	(6)	E007N	ADE DIRECTOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE		1	GRADE IT09
36	(7)	D022N	IT SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER		1	GRADE IT09



1	(44)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE GS07
2	(45)	R024C ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS07
3	(46)	S008C CAMPUS MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	2	GRADE GS07
4	(47)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
5	(48)	A075C FINANCIAL ANALYST I	1	GRADE GS07
6	(49)	G147C GRANTS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS07
7	(50)	P020C PRODUCTION ARTIST	1	GRADE GS07
8	(51)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
9	(52)	R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
10	(53)	S033C MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS06
11	(54)	A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE GS05
12	(55)	A090C PAYROLL SERVICES SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS05
13	(56)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	2	GRADE GS04
14	(57)	A098C FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GS04
15	(58)	R036C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
16	(59)	V020C INVENTORY CONTROL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS04
17	(60)	C046C LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
18	(61)	S046C MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE GS04
19	(62)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS03
20		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	<del>84</del> 86	

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22 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT. There is  
 23 hereby authorized, for the Department of Education - Shared Services Paying  
 24 Account for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-  
 25 time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds  
 26 appropriated herein for such purposes: six (6) temporary or part-time  
 27 employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the  
 28 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act  
 29 for the appropriate classification.

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31 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT. There is  
 32 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the  
 33 paying account as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for  
 34 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Education -  
 35 Shared Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

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ITEM NO.		FISCAL YEAR
		2023-2024
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$6,086,680 <del>\$5,806,570</del>
(02)	EXTRA HELP	80,000
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	\$1,978,128 <del>1,900,346</del>
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A)	OPER. EXPENSE	100,000
(B)	CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
(C)	PROF. FEES	0
(D)	CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E)	DATA PROC.	0
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$8,254,808 <u><del>\$7,896,916</del></u>

SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

*E081C ADE ASSOCIATE DEPUTY 3 SE02*

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2023-2024
(1)	U033U	COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION	1	GRADE SE05
(2)	U027U	DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION	1	GRADE SE03
(3)	N005N	ADE ASST COMMISSIONER LEARNING SERVICES	1	GRADE SE01
(4)	N006N	ADE ASST COMMISSIONER PUB SCH ACCOUNT	1	GRADE SE01
(5)	N008N	ASST COMMISSIONER RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY	1	GRADE SE01
(6)	N010N	ASST COMMRE EDUC EFFECTIVENESS	1	GRADE SE01
(7)	L027C	REGISTERED NURSE SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE MP02
(8)	D104C	ADE STATE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR	4	GRADE IT08
(9)	D030C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR	1	GRADE IT07
(10)	D054C	COMPUTER SUPPORT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE IT05
(11)	D047C	INFORMATION SYSTEMS BUSINESS ANALYST	2	GRADE IT05
(12)	D052C	SOFTWARE SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
(13)	D044C	SYSTEMS ANALYST	1	GRADE IT05
(14)	D064C	WEBSITE DEVELOPER	1	GRADE IT04

*E082C ADE PROGRAM DIRECTOR*

*GS15*

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1	(15)	D079C COMPUTER SUPPORT TECHNICIAN	1	GRADE IT02
2	(16)	E072C DIRECTOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND STEM	1	GRADE GS15
3	(17)	N069N ADE SPECIAL ADVISOR	6	GRADE GS14
4	(18)	E003N ADE COORD SCH. IMP / STANDARDS ASSUR	1	GRADE GS13
5	(19)	E001N ADE COORDINATOR SPECIAL PROGRAMS	<del>3</del> 7	GRADE GS13
6	(20)	A010C AGENCY CONTROLLER II	1	GRADE GS13
7	(21)	G012C ADE ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR	6	GRADE GS12
8	(22)	G006C ADE SPECIAL EDUCATION DIVISION MGR	1	GRADE GS12
9	(23)	A021C AGENCY CONTROLLER I	1	GRADE GS12
10	(24)	E006N ADE COORD COMPUTER SCIENCE	1	GRADE GS11
11	(25)	E069C ADE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAID IN SCHOOLS	1	GRADE GS11
12	(26)	E006C PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAM MANAGER	13	GRADE GS11
13	(27)	E007C ADE OERZ DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS10
14	(28)	G075C ADE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	3	GRADE GS10
15	(29)	E016C PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAM COORDINATOR	19	GRADE GS10
16	(30)	A052C ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR	5	GRADE GS09
17	(31)	A032C ADE FINANCE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS09
18	(32)	A050C AGENCY FISCAL MANAGER	1	GRADE GS09
19	(33)	A038C FISCAL SUPPORT MANAGER	4	GRADE GS09
20	(34)	G109C GRANTS MANAGER	2	GRADE GS09
21	(35)	P004C PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER	3	GRADE GS09
22	(36)	E019C PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAM ADVISOR	102	GRADE GS09
23	(37)	E066C DCCECE EDUCATION MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
24	(38)	E026C EDUCATION & INSTRUCTION COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS08
25	(39)	L043C HEALTH PROGRAM SPECIALIST III	1	GRADE GS08
26	(40)	L035C NUTRITIONIST CONSULTANT	9	GRADE GS08
27	(41)	G093C OPERATIONS MANAGER	1	GRADE GS08
28	(42)	A041C PROGRAM FISCAL MANAGER	5	GRADE GS08
29	(43)	A089C ACCOUNTANT I	1	GRADE GS07
30	(44)	G267C DHS PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY ANALYST	1	GRADE GS07
31	(45)	C010C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS07
32	(46)	A063C RESEARCH & STATISTICS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS07
33	(47)	C037C ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	12	GRADE GS06
34	(48)	M053C CHILD CARE SERVICE SPECIALIST	5	GRADE GS06
35	(49)	A074C FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	<del>4</del> 3	GRADE GS06
36	(50)	G180C GRANTS ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06

1	(51)	R025C HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE GS06
2	(52)	G179C LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
3	(53)	G178C POLICY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR	<del>4</del> 2	GRADE GS06
4	<del>(54)</del>	<del>B076C RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS06</del>
5	<del>(55)</del>	<del>G022C BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS05</del>
6	(56)	V014C BUYER	1	GRADE GS05
7	(57)	A091C FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	3	GRADE GS05
8	<del>(58)</del>	<del>D077C HELP DESK SPECIALIST</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>GRADE GS05</del>
9	(59)	C056C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<del>35</del> 29	GRADE GS04
10	(60)	R036C HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS04
11	(61)	C073C ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	<del>19</del> 17	GRADE GS03
12		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	<del>309</del> 302	

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14 SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized,  
 15 for the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary  
 16 Education - State Operations for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following  
 17 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra  
 18 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: eight (8)  
 19 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed  
 20 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its  
 21 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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23 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby  
 24 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Division  
 25 of Elementary and Secondary Education Fund Account, for personal services and  
 26 operating expenses of the Department of Education - Division of Elementary  
 27 and Secondary Education - State Operations for the fiscal year ending June  
 28 30, 2024, the following:

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30	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
31	NO.	2023-2024
32	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	<del>\$13,523,874</del> \$13,693,329
33	(02) EXTRA HELP	160,000
34	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	<del>4,692,935</del> \$4,571,106
35	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
36	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	3,411,057

1	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	93,161
2	(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
3	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	100,000
4	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
5	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<i>\$ 21,959,198</i> <del><u>\$22,250,482</u></del>

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7 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL GRANTS ADMINISTRATION. There is

8 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the

9 federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for

10 personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Education -

11 Division of Elementary and Secondary Education - Federal Grants

12 Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

14	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
15	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
16	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$254,677
17	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	85,837
18	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
19	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	49,970
20	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	19,672
21	(C) PROF. FEES	260,000
22	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
23	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
24	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$670,156</u>

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26 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - BUILDING MAINTENANCE. There is hereby

27 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the

28 Educational Buildings Maintenance Fund, for operating expenses of the

29 Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education -

30 Building Maintenance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

32	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
33	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
34	(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
35	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$500,000
36	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0

1 SECTION 19. REGULAR SALARIES - PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD.  
2 There is hereby established for the Department of Education - Division of  
3 Elementary and Secondary Education - Professional Licensure Standards Board  
4 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular  
5 employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2023-2024
11	(1) G004C	MANAGING ATTORNEY	1	GRADE GS13
12	(2) X012C	ADE PLSB CHIEF INVESTIGATOR	1	GRADE GS09
13	(3) X202C	ADE PLSB SENIOR INVESTIGATOR	2	GRADE GS08
14	(4) X037C	EDUCATION INVESTIGATOR	<del>4</del> 3	GRADE GS08
15	(5) C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	2	GRADE GS06
16	(6) G179C	LEGAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS06
17	(7) C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS04
18	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		<del>12</del> 11	

20 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD.  
21 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable  
22 from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by the Chief  
23 Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and  
24 grants by the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary  
25 Education - Professional Licensure Standards Board for the fiscal year ending  
26 June 30, 2024, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024
30 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	<del>\$636,951</del> \$591,941
31 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	<del>228,513</del> \$211,311
32 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	376,325
34 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	10,000
35 (C) PROF. FEES	9,505
36 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	50,000

1	(E) DATA PROC.		0
2	(04) EDTPA PROGRAM GRANTS		<u>100,000</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<i>\$1,349,082</i>	<del><u>\$1,411,294</u></del>

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5 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - OPEN ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

6 CLOSURE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be

7 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by

8 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for outstanding obligations incurred

9 by closed charter schools of the Department of Education - Division of

10 Elementary and Secondary Education - Open Enrollment Public Charter School

11 Closure for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

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13	ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
14	<u>NO.</u>		<u>2023-2024</u>
15	(01) CHARTER SCHOOL CLOSURE		<u>\$300,000</u>

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17 ~~SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. There is~~

18 ~~hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the~~

19 ~~Division of Elementary and Secondary Education Fund Account, for expenses of~~

20 ~~the Succeed Scholarship Program of the Department of Education - Division of~~

21 ~~Elementary and Secondary Education - Succeed Scholarship Program for the~~

22 ~~fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:~~

23			
24	ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
25	<u>NO.</u>		<u>2023-2024</u>
26	(01) SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM		<u>\$3,300,000</u>

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28 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - SAVE THE CHILDREN GRANT. There is hereby

29 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Division

30 of Elementary and Secondary Education Fund Account, for a grant for statewide

31 in-school, summer, and after school literacy, nutrition, home visiting, and

32 early childhood programs to be administered by Save the Children for low

33 income, at-risk children by the Department of Education - Division of

34 Elementary and Secondary Education - Save the Children Grant for the fiscal

35 year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

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