June 5, 2020

Senator Bruce Maloch, Co-Chair
Representative DeAnn Vaught, Co-Chair
Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee
Arkansas Legislative Council
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY 21 C.A.R.E.S. Appropriation Request(s)

Dear Co-Chairs:

Pursuant to Act 2 of 2020, Section 36, I am forwarding for appropriate action as required by law, the attached C.A.R.E.S. Appropriation Request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely,

Larry W. Walther
Cabinet Secretary

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Attachment(s)
May 22, 2020

Larry Walther, Secretary
Department of Finance and Administration
1509 W. 7th ST, Room 401
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Arkansas Department of Health
Request for CARES Act Appropriation for FY 2021

Dear Secretary Walther,

The Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) respectfully requests approval for appropriation to expend funding awarded by the Arkansas CARES Act Steering Committee under Section 38 of Act of 2020. The total amount awarded by the Committee is $58,018,704.00.

ADH serves as one of the lead agencies for Arkansas's coordinated actions to address the COVID-19 pandemic, certain additional infrastructure, supply, and equipment needs have become evident. The approved funding will be used for costs related to laboratory testing equipment and supplies, contact tracing, IT equipment, a quarantine facility and other needed services and resources.

This request is for a continuation of the appropriation requested initially in FY20. The amount needed is $58,018,704.00 in appropriation in the miscellaneous commitment category for State Fiscal Year 2021.

Your consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Jo Thompson, Chief Financial Officer
Arkansas Department of Health

CC: Dr. Nathaniel Smith, Secretary of Health
Stephanie Williams, ADH Chief of Staff
Don Adams, ADH Deputy Director, Administration
Renee Mallory, ADH Deputy Director, Public Health Programs
June 1, 2020

Secretary Larry W. Walther  
Department of Finance and Administration  
1509 West Seventh Street, Suite 401  
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Carry Forward Balances of C.A.R.E.S. Appropriation under Act 2 of 2020, Sec. 36

Dear Secretary Walther,

The Department of Human Services – Secretary’s Office/DHS Administration respectfully request your approval to carry forward into SFY 2021, the as yet, unused balance of appropriation which was originally provided within the C.A.R.E.S. appropriation as authorized under Act 2 of 2020. The following is based on expenditures as of May 27, 2020.

This appropriation will be necessary in order to continue to expend funds allocated by the C.A.R.E.S. Act Steering Committee in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The requested carryforward will continue to support the (3) following items:
• COVID-19 Care Continuity Emergency Response Reimbursement Payments: $23,302,041
• Fund payments to Nursing Facilities Due to COVID-19 Emergency: $45,000,000
• Fund Continuity of Care Payments for Hospital & Health Care Facility Workers: $63,737,131

Total carryforward appropriation requested:
  ▶ Grants and Aid (501:00:04)
  **Total $132,039,172**

Note: The original allocation was for $148,425,000

Thank you for your continuing assistance in this matter. Please contact me if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Cindy Gillespie  
Secretary
June 1, 2020

Secretary Larry W. Walther  
Department of Finance and Administration  
1509 West Seventh Street, Suite 401  
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: C.A.R.E.S. Appropriation under Act 2 of 2020, Sec. 36

Dear Secretary Walther,

I respectfully request your approval for additional SFY 2021 appropriation to be added to Fund FWF5000 within the Department of Human Services – Secretary’s Office/DHS Administration utilizing the C.A.R.E.S. appropriation as authorized under Act 2 of 2020.

This appropriation will be necessary to expend funds allocated by the C.A.R.E.S. Act Steering Committee to help respond to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The requested appropriation will support the (2) following items:

- Protect the Public, Treat Patients, and Invent the Future Delivery System
  - Formula-Based Payments $99,600,000
  - COVID-19 Cluster Payments $10,000,000

Total appropriation requested: 
  Grants and Aid (501:00:04)  
  Total $109,600,000

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Cindy Gillespie  
Secretary

Enclosed
June 3, 2020

Secretary Larry W. Walther
Department of Finance and Administration
Office of Budget
1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401
Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

Dear Secretary Walther:

The Department of Finance and Administration Disbursing Officer is requesting a transfer from the CARES Act Holding appropriation under Section 36 of Act 2 of 2020 for SFY 2021 in the amount of $4,500,000 – Business Area 0620, Fund NDPCV19, Fund Center Z61, Commitment Item 590:00:46. This transfer is needed to allow for DFA Disbursing Officer to continue to procure personal protective equipment in relation to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

From:
Business Area 0620, Fund MXX0111, Fund Center Z67, Commitment Item 590:00:46.

To:
Business Area 0620, Fund NDPCV19, Fund Center Z71, Commitment Item 590:00:46.

Please contact Melanie Hazeslip (501) 682-5229 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Alan McVey
Chief of Staff

cc: Melanie Hazeslip
Secretary Larry W. Walther  
Department of Finance and Administration  
Office of Budget  
1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401  
Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

Dear Secretary Walther:

The Department of Finance and Administration Disbursing Officer is requesting a transfer from the CARES Act Holding appropriation in the amount of up to $5,000,000. This transfer is necessary to move appropriation from the holding fund (MXX0111) to the CARES Act Treasury fund (FCOVDEX). This authority is needed to process reimbursements related to CARES Act funding that have been approved by the Steering Committee and the Governor where funds are held outside of the State Treasury. The Department will request additional appropriation if needed based on utilization of reimbursements and the recommendations of the Steering Committee.

From:  
Business Area 0620, Fund MXX0111, Fund Center Z67, Commitment Item 590:00:46.

To:  
Business Area 0620, Fund FCOVDEX, Fund Center Z72, Commitment Item 590:00:46.

This request was previously approved for Fiscal Year 2020 and is needed in Fiscal Year 2021 due to the Coronavirus Relief Funds continuing until the end of calendar year 2020.

Please contact Melanie Hazeslip (501) 682-5229 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Alan McVey  
Chief of Staff

cc: Melanie Hazeslip