

**REPORT  
OF THE  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND EXPENDITURE REVIEW  
(PEER)  
OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**May 19, 2017**

Mr. Chairmen:

Your Subcommittee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) met on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, and after having reviewed the following items, reports that the Subcommittee's review and/or approval is complete unless otherwise noted.

**A. Cash Appropriation Increase Requests**

1. Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System - \$3,000,000
2. Towing and Recovery Board - \$13,300
3. Assessment Coordination Department - \$113,650

**B. Approval Items**

1. Set-Aside Funding Release Requests – FY17
  - a. Department of Correction – Ester Unit in Pine Bluff - \$7,385,829
  - b. Department of Community Correction – Study to Determine Effectiveness of Specialty Drug Courts - \$240,000
  - c. Arkansas Economic Development Commission – US Marshall Museum in Fort Smith - \$1,500,000
  - d. Arkansas Economic Development Commission – Arkansas Unpaved Roads Program - \$300,000
  - e. Department of Education – Arkansas Imagination Library - \$750,000
2. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Requests – FY17
  - Department of Education-Public School Fund – Appropriation transfer in the amount of \$721,095 from School Funding Contingency; \$1,900,000 from Declining Enrollment to Special Needs Isolated in the amount of \$121,095 and to Student Growth in the amount of \$2,500,000
  - Appropriation Transfer from Education Renewal Zones in the amount of \$66,426
  - Operating Expenses and \$12,680 Conference Fees and Travel to Grants and Aids in the amount of \$79,106
  - Appropriation Transfer from State Operations Conference Fees and Travel in the amount of \$119,000; Professional Fees in the amount of \$265,000 and Capital Outlay in the amount of \$98,000 to Operating Expenses in the amount of \$482,000
3. Reallocation of Resources – FY17
  - Department of Human Services – See Attachment 1

**C. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Request**

1. Secretary of State - \$750,000 Appropriation Transfer to Operating Expenses from Regular Salaries-\$650,000; Extra Help-\$25,000; Personal Services Matching-\$60,000; and Overtime-\$15,000
2. Auditor of State - \$70,000 to Capital Outlay from Extra Help-\$60,000 and Operating Expenses-\$10,000
3. Treasurer of State - \$205,000 to Professional Fees and Services from Data Processing Systems/Services – **\*Not Reviewed**

**D. Budget Classification Transfer Requests**

1. Arkansas School for the Deaf-Cash Operations - \$50,000 from Professional Fees to Operating Expenses
2. Office of Medicaid Inspector General-State Operations - \$2,553 to Operating Expenses from Conference and Travel Expense in the amount of \$1,418 and from Professional Fees in the amount of \$1,135
3. Office of Medicaid Inspector General-State Operations - \$7,082 to Operating Expenses from Conference and Travel Expense in the amount of \$6,082 and from Professional Fees in the amount of \$1,000
4. Department of Correction-Work Release - \$1,000,000 from Operating Expenses to Capital Outlay
5. Arkansas State Police-Agency Construction - \$200,000 from Operating Expenses to Professional Fees

**E. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Requests**

1. Administrative Office of the Courts-Drug Court Capacity Building Project - \$7,200
2. Department of Community Correction-Residential Substance Abuse Treatment - \$132,393 – 1 position

**F. Pay Plan Holding Account Transfer Requests**

1. Veteran's Child Welfare Service - \$500
2. Tobacco Control Board - \$16,500
3. Auctioneers Licensing Board - \$2,000
4. Arkansas Economic Development Commission - \$17,000
5. Waterways Commission - \$4,000
6. State Board of Optometry - \$6,500
7. Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board - \$3,400
8. Appraisers Licensing & Certification Board - \$8,000
9. Administrative Office of the Courts - \$182,700
10. Public Defender Commission - \$649,109
11. Auditor of State - \$553,400
12. Office of Prosecutor Coordinator - \$10,000

**The Subcommittee was also presented the:**

1. Certification of Adequate Funds and Appropriation FY2016-17 – Arkansas Institutions of Higher Education
2. Office of the Attorney General Quarterly Report of Cash Account Information for the First Quarter of FY2017
3. Department of Human Services Quarterly Report of Inter-Agency and Inter-Divisional Match Fund Transfers for the Third Quarter of FY2017

**The PEER Subcommittee adopted rules regarding Placement of Items on Subcommittee Agenda**

Respectfully submitted by Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Senator Bruce Maloch and Representative David Meeks.



