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March 19, 2019

Senator Larry Teague, 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 amendment to SB136, the 2019-2020 Public School Fund Appropriation bill for the Arkansas Department of Education:

Please insert the following item and renumber accordingly:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION – GRANTS AND AID TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS.

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR	
	2019-2020	
<u>(XX) EIDT SPECIAL ED SERVICES</u>		<u>1,000,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$2,944,287,396</u>	<u>\$2,945,287,396</u>

This will allow the Department of Education to provide additional early childhood special education services to students who previously received educational services at an Early Identification Day Treatment (EIDT) program.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Asa Hutchinson

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