



STATE OF ARKANSAS
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GOVERNOR

April 13, 2016

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 the following amendment to SB44, the 2016-2017 Operations Appropriation bill for the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board.

Please insert the following and renumber accordingly:

Section 6. APPROPRIATION – MERCHANT EDUCATION AND TRAINING.
There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board, to be payable from the Arkansas Tobacco Revenue Fund, for personal services and operating expenses related to merchant education and training of the Arkansas Tobacco Control Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the following:

| ITEM NO. | FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 |
|---|--------------------------|
| <u>(01) REGULAR SALARIES</u> | <u>\$42,386</u> |
| <u>(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING</u> | <u>15,728</u> |
| <u>(03) OVERTIME</u> | <u>0</u> |
| <u>(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION</u> | |
| <u>(A) OPER. EXPENSE</u> | <u>15,770</u> |
| <u>(B) CONF. & TRAVEL</u> | <u>0</u> |
| <u>(C) PROF. FEES</u> | <u>500</u> |
| <u>(D) CAP. OUTLAY</u> | <u>0</u> |
| <u>(E) DATA PROC.</u> | <u>0</u> |
| <u>TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED</u> | <u>\$74,384</u> |

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This appropriation will allow Arkansas Tobacco Control to use permit and license fees received under §26-57-201 to conduct merchant education and training.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,


Asa Hutchinson

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