

STATE OF ARKANSAS
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March 9, 2017

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 amendments to HB1393, the 2017-2018 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality.

Please amend SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION- ENVIRONMENTAL SETTLEMENT TRUST as follows:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018	
(01) ENVIRONMENTAL SETTLEMENT TRUST		
EXPENSES	\$750,000	\$5,650,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$750,000	\$5,650,000

This request is to increase appropriation levels to match funding due to a settlement awarded to the State of Arkansas.

Please add a new section and renumber accordingly

SECTION 35. APPROPRIATION- USED TIRE RECYCLING AND ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, to be payable from the Used Tire Recycling Fund, for used tire recycling reimbursements of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality- Used Tire Recycling and Accountability Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

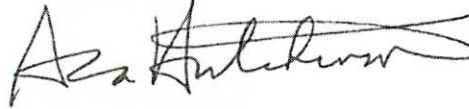
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ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018
(01) USED TIRE RECYCLING & ACCOUNTABILITY REIMBURSEMENTS	\$7,925,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$7,925,000

This request allows the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality appropriation necessary for the anticipated growth of the new Used Tire Recycling and Accountability Program.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



Asa Hutchinson

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