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Senator Bruce Maloch, Co-Chair
Representative David Meeks, Co-Chair
Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review Subcommittee
Arkansas Legislative Council
One Capitol Mall, 5th Floor
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Sirs:

In Section 20 of ACT 941 of 2017, the Department of Workforce Services shall provide a report of all transfers made to the DHS-Division of County Operations to the Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review Committee of the Arkansas Legislative Council and Joint Budget Committee.

Please find the attached report of all transfers with justification made to the DHS-Division of County Operations from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Carl Davis at (501) 683-4704.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Daryl E. Bassett', is written over a white background.

Daryl Bassett

Attachments

Department of Workforce Services
SGR Transfers to the Department of Human Services –Division of County Operations
Section 20 of Act 941 of 2017
State Fiscal Year 2018
July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

Completed Transfers

Transportation Bonus	\$213,600.00
TANF Systems & Administration	<u>\$2,468,192.42</u>
Total Completed Transfers	\$2,681,792.42

Justification

Under Section 20 of Act 941 of 2017, State General Revenue appropriated to the Dept. Of Workforce Services may be transferred to the Dept. of Human Services in support of Arkansas' Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Programs or any related separate state programs. These transfers supported the Transitional Employment Assistance program.

SECTION 20. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. INTER-AGENCY TRANSFER OF STATE GENERAL REVENUE FOR THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) PROGRAMS. Upon the request of the Director of the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Director of the Department of Workforce Services (DWS), the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may approve up to three million six hundred forty thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$3,640,650) each fiscal year in State General Revenue appropriated to DWS for the TANF program to be transferred to the DHS - Division of County Operations in support of Arkansas' TANF Programs or any related separate state programs.

The Director of the Department of Workforce Services shall provide a report of all transfers made to the DHS - Division of County Operations to the Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review Committee of the Arkansas Legislative Council and Joint Budget Committee. The report must include the justification for and the amount of the completed transfers.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Descriptions of SGR transfers to DHS

Transportation Bonuses

If a TEA case closes due to employment (by agency determination or at participant request) or has reached the time limit and the participant is employed, the participant is automatically eligible to receive one month of Extended Support Transportation bonus. The payment will assist the participant in meeting transportation expenses.

TANF Systems & Administration

Funding is provided to DHS to support the IT systems and administrative costs affiliated with the TANF Program, which include but are not limited to: Client Eligibility, Investigation and Fraud Prevention, Case Management, and other TANF administration and information systems needs.