



Arkansas Department of Higher Education

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Asa Hutchinson
Governor

Dr. Brett Powell
Director

August 1, 2015

The Honorable Chris Richey, Chair
The Honorable Jimmy Hickey, Chair
Arkansas Lottery Legislative Oversight Committee
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Hickey and Representative Richey:

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated 6-85-219, and A.C.A. 23-115-801, I am submitting for your review the enclosed report on the expenditures, deposits and balances of Higher Education Grants fund and the Net Proceeds Trust fund that supported financial aid programs for fiscal Year 2015. The Arkansas Department of Higher Education evaluation is that net proceeds from the state lottery did not supplant non-lottery state educational resources in fiscal 2015.

Please feel free to contact me if you require additional information.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brett A. Powell".

Brett A. Powell, Ed.D.
Director

Attachments:

**Arkansas Department of Higher Education
Lottery Net Proceeds Trust Account
Annual Fiscal 2015 Report
A.C.A. 6-85-219
August 1, 2015**

General Revenue Deposits	\$20,000,000
Lottery Net Proceeds Deposits	\$80,000,000
Interest Deposits	\$30,450
Prior Year Refunds	\$30,838
Scholarship Expenditures	\$99,775,110
Balance June 30, 2015	<u>\$286,178</u>

**Arkansas Department of Higher Education
Higher Education Grants Fund Expenditures
Annual Fiscal 2015 Report
A.C.A. 6-85-219
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Program	FY2015 Expenditures	FY2016 Budget
Dental Aid	\$2,108,650	\$2,133,900
Dental Loans	\$998,944	\$987,370
Optometry Grants	\$381,600	\$410,000
Optometry Loans	\$110,000	\$140,000
Veterinary Aid	\$1,139,392	\$1,100,000
Veterinary Loan Forgiveness	\$0	\$250,000
Chiropractic	\$123,327	\$260,000
Podiatry	\$37,400	\$130,400
Osteopathy	\$94,500	\$230,000
Teacher Opportunity Program	\$1,211,922	\$1,500,000
National Guard Tuition Assistance	\$1,380,724	\$1,400,000
Tuition Adjustment	\$350,000	\$350,000
AR Geographical Critical Needs	\$67,500	\$150,000
Military Dependents	\$450,000	\$450,000
SREB Minority Doctoral Scholars	\$175,000	\$175,000
Law Enforcement Dependents	\$295,518	\$400,000
Governor's Scholars	\$13,456,421	\$15,200,000
Workforce Improvement Grants	\$2,994,507	\$3,000,000
SURF Program	\$148,697	\$150,000
Opportunities Grants	\$5,282,792	\$6,000,000
Washington Center Scholarships	\$24,000	\$100,000
Single Parent Scholarship	\$175,000	\$175,000
State Teacher Education Program	\$1,478,327	\$2,000,000
Academic Challenge	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
Total	\$52,484,221	\$56,691,670

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Higher Education Grants Fund
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General Revenue Deposits	\$53,487,072.00
Expenditures	<u>\$52,484,220.95</u>
Net FY15	<u>\$1,002,851.05</u>
Balance June 30, 2015	\$16,244,755