













**REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LANGUAGE  
IN APPROPRIATION ACT**

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**0710 DHS - Director's Office**

**ACT#: 0064**

**SECTION#: 013**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

Community Providers line item of the Developmental Disabilities Services - Grants-in-Aid appropriation may not be decreased. The appropriation, funding, and positions provided for the five Human Development Centers shall remain at a level sufficient to ensure quality care for the Centers' residents. The exemptions provided in this subsection whereby certain DHS Programs and Divisions are protected from appropriation, fund, or position transfers are applicable only to the reallocation or transfer authority granted herein, and not by any reductions which are applicable to all state programs.

The ~~Director~~ Secretary of the Department of Human Services shall submit any requests for transfers to and must receive approval of the requests for transfers from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the Governor, and the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee prior to the effective date of the transfers. Provided, however, that the Department of Human Services shall be limited to submitting no more than four reallocation of resources transfer requests during any fiscal year. In each Departmental request no single division will request reallocation for more than one purpose as listed in this section. Transfer authority for unforeseen purposes shall further be limited to no more than 5% of the total appropriation, funding, and positions authorized for the Department. Reallocation of resources transfers may include multiple items but shall be limited to the following purposes:

- i) Medicaid Program;
- ii) Facilities and institutions costs, including operational expenses and construction/renovation/equipping expenses;













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**0710 DHS - Aging, Adult & Behavioral Health**

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**SECTION#: 012**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES - FEDERAL FUNDS. It is the specific intent of the General Assembly that in the event of the availability of federal funding for the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services during the fiscal year ending June 30, ~~2020~~ 2021, that such funding be utilized to conserve or reduce the expenditure of general revenue except where prohibited by law.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~ 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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**0710 DHS - Aging, Adult & Behavioral Health**

**ACT#: 0164**

**SECTION#: 017**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

ARKANSAS HEALTH CENTER. (A) The Department of Human Services shall not close the Arkansas Health Center that provides skilled nursing through specialized services and programs.

(B) The Department of Human Services shall continue to accept clients for whom it has determined that skilled nursing and specialized services are needed at the Arkansas Health Center.

(C) No funds shall be transferred or reduced from the Arkansas Health Center, except for use as federal matching funds, below the approved funding level on March 1, 2003 without the prior approval of the Arkansas Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee.

(D) Determining the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Department of Human Services may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Human Services authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent

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**SECTION#: 020**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

SPECIAL RATES OF PAY AND EMPLOYMENT WORK DAYS. For employees hired on or after July 1, 2013, at the Arkansas State Hospital in the classifications listed below, the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services Director shall implement salary adjustments utilizing the approved pay grid for teachers employed by the Arkansas Schools for the Blind and Deaf.

To achieve the salary adjustments, the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services is authorized to pay special rates of pay for classifications at the Arkansas State Hospital listed below:

Classification	Title	Grade
E035C	Certified Masters Teacher	GS08
E044C	Certified Bachelors Teacher	GS06

Funding for the minimum compensation provided for in this section that is supported in whole or in part from general revenues, shall, if required, be provided by a transfer from the Performance Fund to the proper fund or fund account and in such amounts as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State. The Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services shall in addition to the funds provided in this Act for Annual Career Service Recognition Payments from the Performance Fund, make available any funding generated from agency salary savings for such purposes from the funds or fund accounts as provided by law.

For employees hired on or after July 1, 2013, at the Arkansas State Hospital in the classifications listed above, the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services Director shall set the number of work days for the employment year to equal the number of days worked by those

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employed in the same classifications at the Arkansas Schools for the Blind and Deaf. The accrual, use, and carryover of sick days, personal days, and holidays of the employees at the Arkansas State Hospital that are hired on or after July 1, 2013, or current employees choosing to adopt this plan, shall be treated in the same manner as those employed in the same classifications at the Arkansas Schools for the Blind and Deaf.

Those currently employed at the Arkansas State Hospital in the classifications listed above as of June 30, 2013, have the one-time option of adopting this language or continuing to operate under the same salary, leave and benefit plans they are currently receiving. Employees must make their decision by June 30, 2013.

Accrued annual and holiday leave, up to 240 hours, as of June 30, 2013, will be paid out to current employees choosing to adopt this plan. Any additional accrued annual and holiday leave will be forfeited. Accrued sick leave, as of June 30, 2013, shall be retained on file and shall be exhausted before any newly accrued sick leave may be taken.

All employees affected by this section shall be eligible to receive hazardous duty pay for time worked in eligible areas.

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**SECTION#: 022**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

AGING AND ADULT SERVICES - MATCHING FUNDS. The funds appropriated for state match for the Arkansas Senior Olympics Program in this Act shall be paid on a two-to-one state/local matching basis. The Senior Arkansas Sports Organization must certify its portion of the match to the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services before any funds appropriated for state match for the Arkansas Senior Olympics Program in this Act are disbursed.

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**SECTION#: 023**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

AGING AND ADULT SERVICES - STATE MATCH AUTHORIZED. The ~~Director~~ Secretary of the Department of Human Services is authorized to use State funds appropriated in this Act to match Federal funds available under Title III and Title V of the Older Americans Act, Social Services Block Grant, or such other federal funds as may become available.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~ 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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**ACT#: 0164**

**SECTION#: 024**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

AGING AND ADULT SERVICES - GRANT/CONTRACT DISBURSEMENT GUIDELINES. All appropriations for state and federal funding contained herein for Aging and Adult Services and that are distributed under grant or contract methodologies may be disbursed by the Department of Human Services in the same manner as authorized under federal regulations for the disbursement of Title III Older Americans Act funds. Otherwise, all disbursements shall comply with the provisions of this Act.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2020~~ 2021 through June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022.

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**0513 DOE - School for the Deaf**

**ACT#: 0084**

**SECTION#: 027**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF - SPECIAL RATES OF PAY. Due to the need to meet the minimum compensation schedule as established by Act 74 of the 2nd Extraordinary Session of the 84th General Assembly, or its successor, for public school teachers, counselors, and librarians and other education professionals as listed in subsection (a) below, the Arkansas School for the Deaf is authorized to adjust current or new employees to at least the minimum level of compensation for public school employees.

For current or new employees in the positions listed in subsection (a) below, the Arkansas School for the Deaf may implement salary adjustments to maintain equity between their teacher salaries and those of Central Arkansas Public School Systems only after a plan for determining and implementing those adjustments has been reviewed by the Office of Personnel Management and by the Personnel Committee of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee and approved by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

For purposes of implementing the plan, the Arkansas School for the Deaf is authorized special rates of pay up to the maximum of the assigned grade for classifications listed in subsection (a) below.

(a) CLASS CODE	TITLE	GRADE
E044C	Certified Bachelors Teacher	GS06
E035C	Certified Masters Teacher	GS08
E036C	Certified Masters Degree Librarian	GS09
E032C	Education Counselor	GS07
L042C	School Speech Pathologist	MP01
E024C	Teacher Supervisor	GS09

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**0516 Educational Television Commission, Arkansas**

**ACT#: 0057**

**SECTION#: 004**

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

EXTRA HELP - CASH OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Education - Educational Television Division - Cash Operations for the ~~2020-2021~~ 2021-2022 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: forty-six (46) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, for the appropriate classification. Many of these positions are related to specific projects, and those positions so related are specifically exempt from limitations of hours, either by act or regulation.

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