

TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM (375)
2009-11 BIENNIUM - LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATION

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Arkansas Teacher Retirement System is a pension fund that administers a program to provide survivor, disability and age and service benefits for public school teachers and other covered employees.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total budget of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System is \$915,026,044 the first year and \$1,014,326,753 the second year of the biennium.

FUNDING SOURCE

The budget is funded with cash and trust funds from employer and employee contributions and investment earnings.

II) CHANGES/APPROPRIATIONS

1. The operations appropriation funded with trust funds is \$172,657,834 the first year and \$182,758,312 the second year.
 - a. Change level increase of \$270,800 in FY10 and \$242,500 in FY11 in capital outlay line item each year of the biennium.
 - b. Change level decrease of \$1,000,000 each year of the biennium in the Data Processing line item.
 - c. Change level increase of \$8,700,000 in FY11 only in the benefits-non-employee line item.
 - d. Change level increase of \$461,846 in FY10 and \$468,920 in FY11 in regular salaries and matching for 7 new positions.
 - e. Change level increase of \$2,344,032 in FY10 and \$3,678,136 in FY11 in Refunds/Reimbursements line item.
 - f. Change level decrease of \$500,000 each year of the biennium in the Investment Counsel line item.
2. The Cash appropriation funded with cash funds is \$741,868,210 the first year and \$831,068,441 the second year.
 - a. Change level increase of \$88,800,000 in FY11 only.
 - b. Change level increase of \$43,210 in FY10 and \$443,441 in FY11 to cover anticipated retirement benefits increases based on actuarial projections and historical analyses.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total positions for FY 2007-2009: 82

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Increase/ (Decrease): 7

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

1. Carry forward language **deleted**.