0810 - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES FISCAL YEAR 2024

AS ENACTED BY ACT 606 OF 2023

The primary responsibilities of the Department of Commerce - Division of Workforce Services (DWS) are to promote employment security by increasing opportunities for employment placement and to provide, through the accumulation of funds from employer contribution taxes, for the payment of benefits to individuals who are involuntarily unemployed. In 2019 the following programs were transferred to the Division from the Department of Career Education: Adult Education, Adult Basic Education, Federal Adult Basic Education, Governor's Commission on Adult Literacy, Adult Basic and General Education, and GED Testing.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

		2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
	Appropriation -	Actual	Authorized	Legislative
2RF	Annual Assessments	\$22,000	\$26,000	\$26,000
2SC	Excess Unemployment Benefits/ Expenses	\$585,428	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
2SD	Operations	\$74,286,931	\$77,039,000	\$84,431,300
2SE	Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act	\$16,408,609	\$40,000,000	\$40,000,000
2SF	UI Trust Fund Loan Interest	\$4,607	\$3,000,001	\$3,000,001
35Q	DWS Training Trust Fund	\$3,978	\$3,256,577	\$3,256,577
35R	DWS Unemployment Insurance Fund	\$54,239	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000
4KP	TANF-IDA	\$0	\$141,738	\$141,738
4KQ	TANF Block Grant Paying/ New Hire Registry	\$14,944,108	\$39,948,110	\$43,814,962
C27	Unemployment Benefits & Expenses - Cash	\$282,198	\$8,150,001	\$8,150,001
C28	Federal Employees Benefit-Cash	\$31,976,424	\$3,000,000,000	\$1,000,000,000
C29	U I Benefits - Taxable Employers - Cash	\$70,015,808	\$2,000,000,000	\$1,000,000,000
C30	U I Benefits - Reimbursement Employers - Cash	\$414,370	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
C31	Building Improvement/Land–Reed Act	\$0	\$3,100,000	\$1
C56	Loans to Local Workforce Development Boards	\$76,620	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
N48	DWS Federal Grants	\$0	\$4,500,000	\$4,500,000
V97	UI Benefits & Expenses - Cash in Treasury	\$1,034,575	\$7,850,000	\$7,850,000
X88	TAA Supportive Services	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
X89	RTA/ATAA Payments	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
Y96	Rainy Day - UI Modernization	\$271,197	\$0	\$0
Z01	Adult Education State Operations	\$1,124,732	\$1,211,302	\$1,296,653
Z02	Adult Basic Education - State	\$523,465	\$575,914	\$588,480

Z03	Adult Basic Education - Federal	\$8,699,875	\$11,122,117	\$11,179,068
Z04	Governor's Commission on Adult Literacy	\$756,206	\$769,012	\$1,096,027
Z05	Adult Basic & General Education	\$20,388,473	\$20,920,569	\$22,770,569
Z06	GED Testing	\$182,008	\$350,000	\$350,000
Τα	otal	\$242,055,851	\$5,259,660,341	\$2,270,151,377

FUNDING SOURCES

		2021-2022	
Funding Sources		Actual	%
Fund Balance	4000005	\$39,371,503	11.96
General Revenue	4000010	\$12,651,441	3.84
Federal Revenue	4000020	\$244,654,190	74.32
Stabilization Tax	4000033	\$31,084,102	9.44
Performance Fund	4000055	\$0	0.00
Advance Interest Funds	4000070	\$5,212	0.00
Employer Penalties & Interest	4000225	\$3,032,413	0.92
Inter-agency Fund Transfer	4000316	\$7,577,719	2.30
Intra-agency Fund Transfer	4000317	(\$6,957,986)	-2.11
M & R Sales	4000340	\$11,251	0.00
Miscellaneous Adjustments	4000345	\$142,680	0.04
Miscellaneous Transfers	4000355	(\$644)	0.00
Other	4000370	\$1,039,589	0.32
Transfer to DHS-DCO	4000612	(\$3,399,998)	-1.03
Total Funds		\$329,211,472	100.00
Excess Appropriation/(Funding	g)	(\$87,155,621)	
Grand Total		\$242,055,851	

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

Operations (Appropriation 2SD)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	2023	3-2024
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$35,688,350	\$40,346,124	\$4,657,774
5010001	Extra Help	\$3,800,000	\$3,850,222	\$50,222
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$13,449,469	\$16,133,773	\$2,684,304
Total		\$52,937,819	\$60,534,105	\$7,596,286

• Increase in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching due to restoration of 69 positions, which were originally approved by the Arkansas Legislative Council during FY21.

• Increase in Extra Help due to positions needed to enable the agency to react quickly with quality services to Arkansas.

TANF Block Grant Paying/New Hire Registry (Appropriation 4KQ)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	2023	3-2024
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5900046	TANF/New Hire Registry	\$39,948,110	\$43,814,962	\$3,866,852
Total		\$39,948,110	\$43,814,962	\$3,866,852

• Increase due to restoration of one position that was approved in FY21 by Arkansas Legislative Council.

Federal Employees Benefit-Cash (Appropriation C28)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	2023	3-2024
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5100023	Benefits-Non Employee	\$3,000,000,000	\$1,000,000,000	(\$2,000,000,000)
Total		\$3,000,000,000	\$1,000,000,000	(\$2,000,000,000)

• Decrease due to better alignment with actual funding levels since expenditure of appropriation is contingent upon available funding.

U I Benefits - Taxable Employers - Cash (Appropriation C29)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	2023	3-2024
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5100023	Benefits-Non Employee	\$2,000,000,000	\$1,000,000,000	(\$1,000,000,000)
Total		\$2,000,000,000	\$1,000,000,000	(\$1,000,000,000)

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Building Improvement/ Land – Reed Act (Appropriation C31)

2022-2023	2023-2024	
Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
\$3,100,000	\$1	(\$3,099,999)
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Adult Education State Operations (Appropriation Z01)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	202	3-2024
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$751,731	\$863,211	\$111,480
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$252,071	\$303,896	\$51,825
Total		\$1,003,802	\$1,167,107	\$163,305

• Increase due to salary and matching rate adjustments during the 2021-2023 Biennium.

Adult Basic Education - State (Appropriation Z02)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	202	3-2024
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$415,334	\$417,636	\$2,302
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$136,073	\$146,337	\$10,264
Total		\$551,407	\$563,973	\$12,566

• Increase due to salary and matching rate adjustments during the 2021-2023 Biennium.

Adult Basic Education - Federal (Appropriation Z03)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	202	3-2024
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$423,812	\$460,123	\$36,311
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$137,196	\$157,836	\$20,640
Total		\$561,008	\$617,959	\$56,951

• Increase due to salary and matching rate adjustments during the 2021-2023 Biennium.

Governor's Commission on Adult Literacy (Appropriation Z04)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	202	3-2024
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$27,191	\$28,445	\$1,254
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$8,574	\$9,335	\$761
Total		\$35,765	\$37,780	\$2,015

• Increase due to salary and matching rate adjustments during the 2021-2023 Biennium.

Adult Basic & General Education (Appropriation Z05)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	2023-2024	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5100004	Grants and Aid	\$20,920,569	\$22,770,569	\$1,850,000
Total		\$20,920,569	\$22,770,569	\$1,850,000

• Increase in appropriation to provide additional programs at Adult Education Centers.

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2024: 991 Total Authorized Positions FY2023: 924 Increase / (Decrease): 67 Extra Help Positions FY2024: 411

SPECIAL LANGUAGE REVISIONS

- Codification of language regarding use of certain federal funds ("Reed Act funds").
- Codification of language regarding the establishment of new or additional full-time positions.