

1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2013-164

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3 REQUESTING THE INTERIM SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AGENCIES AND
4 GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS STUDY ISSUES CONCERNING THE GROWTH OF STATE
5 GOVERNMENT IN RELATION TO STATE EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR.
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7 WHEREAS, the unnecessary growth of state government continues; and
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9 WHEREAS, the state employs full-time and part-time employees and
10 contracts for labor at a great cost to the taxpayers; and
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12 WHEREAS, these expenditures of taxpayer money increase with the size of
13 state government; and
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15 WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the people of Arkansas that the
16 rapid and unnecessary growth of government be curtailed,
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18 NOW THEREFORE,

19 BE IT PROPOSED BY THE INTERIM SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AGENCIES AND
20 GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS OF THE 89TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 THAT the Interim Senate Committee On State Agencies And Governmental
23 Affairs study:

24 (a) The size and growth for the past ten (10) years of state
25 government as it relates labor and employment positions and contracts
26 provided by state government;

27 (b) Hiring practices in filling those positions and contracts;

28 (c) The percentage of the annual budget for the past ten (10) years
29 that is dedicated to labor, employment, salaries, pay, and other monetary
30 rewards for state employment or labor contracts with the state;

31 (d) The number of state positions authorized by law for the past ten
32 (10) years;

33 (e) The number of state employees holding state positions for the past
34 ten (10) years;

1 (f) The manner, amount, and equity of the distribution to each state
2 agency for the past ten (10) years of positions, employees, contracts, and
3 budget appropriations for positions, employees, and contracts;

4 (g) The number of unfilled state positions for the past ten (10)
5 years, the amount of budget appropriations for those unfilled positions, the
6 reasons for the vacancies, and any opportunities that may be created by the
7 continued vacancy of the positions; and

8 (h) Ideas and methods designed to reduce, slow, or stabilize the
9 unnecessary growth of state government or to save taxpayer money.

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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, upon request, the Department of Finance
12 and Administration and other state agencies provide information and
13 assistance in achieving the purposes of this interim study proposal.

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15 Respectfully submitted,

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19 Senator Eddie Joe Williams
20 District 29

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