REPORT OF THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DIVISION OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

June 16, 2023

Senator Rice and Representative Wardlaw:

The Employee Benefits Division (EBD) Oversight Subcommittee met on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., in Committee Room A of the Big Mac Building.

The Subcommittee reviewed and/or approved the following items:

- 1. Approved Actions of the State Board of Finance Changes to the EBD Drug Formulary
- 2. Reviewed and approved EBD/EBRx Contract for Consulting Services Through June 30, 2024
- 3. Reviewed and approved EBD Contract with Mainstream Technologies

The Subcommittee heard discussion on the following:

- 1. Connect Your Care Services Contract Report
- 2. Regenerative Therapies Act of 2017
- 3. Prior authorization for Position Emission Tomography (PET) Scans
- 4. Bariatric Surgery Coverage Criteria Benefit Plan

The Subcommittee also requested EBD to bring monthly updates regarding network issues affecting retirees.

Respectfully submitted by Subcommittee Co-Chair, Senator Jimmy Hickey, Jr. and Vice-Chair, Representative Marcus E. Richmond.