

**REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
AND EXPENDITURE REVIEW (PEER)
OF THE
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

September 20, 2024

Dear Co-Chairs:

Your Subcommittee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) met on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, and after having considered the following items, reports that the Subcommittee's review and/or approval is complete unless otherwise noted.

Items for Approval

A. Various Temporary Appropriation Requests

1. Department of Transformation and Shared Services – Marketing and Redistribution – \$125,000
2. Department of Veterans Affairs – \$60,000
3. Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer – \$7,000,000

B. American Rescue Plan Act Appropriation Requests

Direct Federal Award

1. Department of Health – \$500,000

State Awards

2. Department of Public Safety – Division of State Police – Construction and Equipment – \$0 – Reallocation
3. Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer – Mercy Fort Smith – \$0 – Reallocation
4. Department of Public Safety – Division of State Police – Executive Protection – \$1,200,000

C. Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Appropriation Requests

1. Department of Transportation – \$280,000,000
2. Department of Energy and Environment – Division of Environmental Quality – \$165,105
3. Department of Energy and Environment – Office of the State Geologist – \$0 – Reallocation

D. Restricted Reserve Fund Transfer Requests

1. Department of Public Safety – Division of State Police – Troop School – \$3,222,500
2. Department of Public Safety – Division of State Police – Quartermaster – \$450,000

E. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Request

1. Department of Transportation – \$20,000,000 from Arkansas Highway Transfer Fund to the State Highway and Transportation Fund

F. Modification of Loan Payment Request

1. Henderson State University to defer payment on its loan from the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund due on December 1, 2024 in the amount of \$958,333.33. No payment would be due in 2024, and 958,333.33 would then be due each December 1 commencing in 2025 through 2030.

Items for Review

G. Cash Fund Appropriation Requests

1. Department of Education – Division of Higher Education – \$500,000

H. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Appropriation Requests

1. Department of Commerce – Office of Skills Development – \$618,250

Reports

I. Annual Report

1. Agency Carry Forward of Unexpended Balanced Report

J. Quarterly Report

1. Department of Human Services – State Hospital Damage Report

K. Monthly Reports

1. Surplus Income and Distribution Report
2. Budget Stabilization Trust Fund Report
3. Tobacco Settlement Report
4. State Central Services Fund Report
5. American Rescue Plan Report
6. Educational Adequacy Fund Report
7. Medicaid Program Trust Fund Report

Respectfully submitted by Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Senator Jonathan Dismang and Representative Frances Cavenaugh