

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

March 20, 2026

Dear Co-Chairs:

Your Subcommittee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) met on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, 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 Shared Administrative Services – Office of State Technology – Information Technology Loan – \$3,391,000
2. Department of Shared Administrative Services – Office of Personnel Management – Staff for System Enhancements – \$3,707,000
3. Administrative Office of the Courts – Court Reporters – \$191,209
4. Administrative Office of the Courts – Court Interpreters – \$90,901
5. Department of Public Safety – Crime Victims Claims – \$700,000
6. Department of Corrections – Sex Offender Assessments – \$16,200
7. Department of Public Safety – Division of Emergency Management – Radiation Testing – \$80,000
8. Department of Education – Division of Higher Education – Regional Workforce Grants – \$5,350,000

B. American Rescue Plan Act Appropriation Request

1. University of Arkansas at Fort Smith – ALIGN Program – \$46,998

C. Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Appropriation Request

1. Department of Energy and Environment – Oil and Gas Commission – Earth Mapping Resources Initiative – \$16,617 in new appropriation and reallocation of previously awarded appropriation

D. Restricted Reserve Fund Transfer Request

1. Department of Public Safety – Division of State Police – Motor Vehicles – \$4,256,466

Items for Review

E. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Request

1. Department of Education – Division of Higher Education – Grants – \$3,500,000 to AR Heroes Program from HE Teacher Opportunity in the amount of \$1,000,000, ADHE State Teacher Education in the amount of \$1,000,000, ADHE Transition in the amount of \$1,000,000 and from Governor’s Scholars Program in the amount of \$500,000

F. Cash Fund Appropriation Requests

1. Department of Labor and Licensing – Division of Real Estate – A/V System – \$60,000
2. Department of Labor and Licensing – Division of Real Estate – Project Manager – \$20,000
3. Department of Labor and Licensing – Division of Real Estate – HVAC Repair and Maintenance – \$100,000

G. Budget Classification Transfer Request

1. Commissioner of State Lands – Building Purchase – \$250,000 from Promotional Fees to Operating Expenses – **Motion to Review Failed**

H. Pay Plan Appropriation Requests

1. Board of Election Commissioners – \$22,000
2. Ethics Commission – \$52,000
3. Public Defender Commission – \$636,000
4. Claims Commission – \$72,500
5. Public Employees Retirement System – \$491,000
6. Teacher Retirement System – \$343,000
7. Department of Labor and Licensing – Boiler Inspection – \$25,000
8. Department of the Military – \$2,459,000
9. Department of Correction – Division of Correction – \$21,110,000
10. Department of Energy and Environment – Oil and Gas Commission – \$31,000
11. Department of Energy and Environment – Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board – \$8,300
12. Department of Energy and Environment – Division of Environmental Quality – \$77,700

13. Department of Labor and Licensing – Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors – \$41,000
14. Department of Correction – Sentencing Commission – \$20,000
15. Department of Correction – Post–Prison Transfer Board – \$350,000

I. Overtime Appropriation Requests

1. Department of Public Safety – Division of Emergency Management – \$16,000
2. Department of the Military – \$10,000

Reports

J. 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. Educational Adequacy Fund Report
6. Medicaid Trust Fund Report
7. Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Report
8. Revenue Services Division Refund Appropriation Transfer Report

K. Quarterly Report

1. Department of Human Services – State Hospital Damage Report

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Jonathan Dismang and Representative Jeff Wardlaw