

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

December 21, 2018

Mr. Chairmen:

Your Subcommittee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) met on Wednesday, December 19, 2018, and after having reviewed the following items, reports that the Subcommittee's review and/or approval is complete unless otherwise noted.

A. Cash Fund Appropriation Increase Request(s) – FY19

1. Administrative Office of the Courts - \$25,000
2. Department of Higher Education - \$150,000
3. Arkansas Waterways Commission - \$40,000
4. Department of Veterans Affairs - \$1,442,000
5. Arkansas Agriculture Department - \$911,050

B. Items for Approval

1. Rainy Day Fund Release Request – FY19
 - a. Department of Higher Education - \$150,000 to provide matching funds for the Strong Start To Finish Program
 - b. Arkansas Agriculture Department – Up to \$911,050 for a grant to the Arkansas State Fair
2. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Requests(s) – FY19
 - a. Minority Health Commission - \$15,000 Appropriation transfer from Operating Expenses to Promotional Items
 - b. Arkansas Department of Transportation - \$12,700,000 Fund transfer to the State Highway and Transportation Department Fund for sufficient matching funds for scheduled transportation projects

C. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Request(s) – FY19

1. Auditor of State - \$15,000 Appropriation transfer from Operations to Professional Fees
2. Department of Information Systems - \$229,034 Fund transfer from the Innovation and Project Development Fund to fund two (2) positions

D. Budget Classification Transfer Request(s) – FY19

1. Natural Resources Commission - \$100,000 from Professional Fees to Operating Expenses
2. Educational Television (AETN) - \$350,000 from Operating Expenses to Capital Outlay
3. Insurance Department - \$5,000 from Operating Expenses to Conference and Travel Expense

E. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Appropriation Request(s) – FY19

1. Disability Determination for SSA/Disability Operations - \$150,000
2. Economic Development Commission/Manufacturing Solutions - \$88,000
3. Department of Emergency Management/Performance Grant - \$460,250
4. DHS-Division of County Operations/SNAP Outreach - \$106,654
5. DHS-Division of County Operations/SNAP Employment and Training - \$668,778
6. DHS-Division of County Operations - \$875,349
7. DHS-Division of County Operations/Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Grant - \$741,630
8. Department of Finance & Administration/Project Safe Neighborhood-Western - \$165,433
9. Department of Finance & Administration/Project Safe Neighborhood-Eastern - \$235,498
10. Department of Finance & Administration/Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program - \$1,300,000
11. Department of Community Correction/Office of Justice Programs - \$999,817 – 4 Positions
12. Crime Laboratory/Motor Vehicle Crash Toxicology Testing - \$687,000
13. Crime Laboratory/Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement - \$180,000
14. DHS-Division of County Operations/*Community Services Block Grant* - \$7,337,170
15. Parks and Tourism/Outdoor Grants Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Grants - \$2,031,413
16. Arkansas State Police/Criminal Investigation Division-Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force - \$124,827
17. Arkansas State Police/Criminal Investigation Division-SWAT Operations - \$61,000

F. Pay Plan Holding Account Transfer Request(s) – FY19

1. Department of Emergency Management- \$181,549
2. Department of Higher Education - \$60,000
3. Board of Hearing Instrument Dispenses - \$2,000
4. Education-School for the Deaf - \$182,000

The Subcommittee was also presented the:

1. Office of the Treasurer – Professional Fees Expenditures Report for November 2018
2. Department of Human Services Quarterly Report of Inter-Agency and Inter-Divisional Match Fund Transfers for First Quarter FY19
3. Office of Attorney General Cash Account Information for First Quarter FY19
4. Arkansas State Police Asset Forfeiture Expenditures for First Quarter FY19
5. Federal Grant Applications by State Agencies for First Quarter FY19
6. Federal Grant Awards to State Agencies for the First Quarter FY19

Respectfully submitted by Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Senator Bruce Maloch and Representative David Meeks