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Senator Mary Anne Salmon Representative Tommy Lee Baker Arkansas Legislative Council State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Salmon and Representative Baker:

The Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) is required by Act 303 of 2011 to publish a database of State Government Expenditures. The Act requires DFA to report to the Legislative Council by April 1, 2012 on the efforts to comply with this Act.

The website will be operational on July 1, 2012. In addition to expenditures, the Act requires listings of payments to cities and counties, revenues, employee compensation, bond indebtedness and contracts. This information will be provided for the constitutional offices, state agencies, Arkansas Highway and Transportation, the Arkansas Game and Fish and the Arkansas Lottery Commission.

DFA has held group forums and individual meetings with the staff members of the constitutional offices and state agencies. We believe the input from these discussions will make this project a success.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Weiss

Director