

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

July 19, 2013

Mr. Chairmen:

Your Subcommittee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) met on July 11, 2013, and after having reviewed the following items, reports that the Subcommittee's review and/or approval is complete:

A. Items Approved

1. Set-Aside Funding Release Request – 89th Session Project Account – General Improvement Fund – FY14
 - a. Department of Higher Education - \$1,555,000 for Arkansas Health Education Grants in the amount of \$1,100,000; Military Dependents in the amount of \$350,000 and Dependents of Law Enforcement Officers in the amount of \$105,000
2. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Requests – FY14
 - a. Department of Workforce Services – Hope Migrant Farm Labor Center Project - \$1,000,000 from Excess Unemployment Benefits and Expenses-Payments/Expense line item to the Construction line item.
 - b. Arkansas State Police - \$36,568.75 Fund Transfer from the Court Awards Fund to the State Police Fund and \$36,568.75 Appropriation Transfer from the Confiscated Funds Transfer Appropriation to State Police Operations Capital Outlay line item to pay sales tax on vehicles.

B. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Appropriation Requests - FY14

1. Insurance Department – ACA Consumer Assistance Program – 2 Positions
2. Natural Resources Commission – Dam Safety - \$127,177 – 1 Position

C. Emergency Transfer Requests – FY13 – Approved on an Emergency Basis by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State

1. Cash Fund Appropriation Increase Request
 - a. Board of Chiropractic Examiners - \$10,000

2. Appropriation Transfer Request
 - a. Treasurer of State - \$215,000 from Data Processing to Professional Fees
3. Budget Classification Transfer Request
 - a. Medical Board - \$15,000 to Operating Expenses from Conference Fees and Travel in the amount of \$5,000 and from Professional Fees in the amount of \$10,000
4. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Appropriation Request
 - a. Department of Human Services – Division of Child Care and Childhood Education - \$7,000,000
5. Merit Adjustment Fund/Pay Plan Holding Account Transfer Requests
 - a. Optometry Board - \$1,000 Pay Plan Holding Account
 - b. Public Defender Commission - \$45,000 Pay Plan Holding Account
 - c. Veterans Affairs - \$11,000 – Pay Plan Holding Account
 - d. Agriculture Department - \$610,061 Merit Adjustment Fund and \$48,000 Pay Plan Holding Account
 - e. Geological Survey - \$13,313 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - f. Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board - \$1,200 Pay Plan Holding Account
 - g. Natural Resources Commission - \$83,753 Merit Adjustment and \$1,500 Pay Plan Holding Account
 - h. Department of Correction - \$8,301,048 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - i. Arkansas Educational Television Network - \$152,391 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - j. Crowley’s Ridge Technical Institute - \$62,100 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - k. Northwest Technical Institute - \$86,464 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - l. DHS – Division of Aging and Adult Services - \$50,000 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - m. DHS – Behavioral Health Services - \$924,026 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - n. DHS – Children and Family Services - \$659,752 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - o. DHS – County Operations - \$692,610 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - p. DHS – Division of Developmental Disabilities Services - \$1,500,000 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - q. DHS – Administrative Services - \$115,000 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - r. Arkansas Economic Development Commission - \$20,000 Pay Plan Holding Account
 - s. Department of Arkansas Heritage – Central Administration - \$57,885 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - t. Department of Arkansas Heritage – Delta Cultural Center - \$18,696 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - u. Department of Arkansas Heritage – Arts Council - \$22,176 Merit Adjustment Fund
 - v. Department of Arkansas Heritage – Mosaic Templars Cultural Center - \$13,706 Merit Adjustment Fund

- w. Department of Arkansas Heritage – Old State House Museum - \$39,991 Merit Adjustment Fund
- x. Department of Arkansas Heritage – Historic Preservation - \$2,000 Pay Plan Holding Account
- y. Department of Arkansas Heritage – Natural Heritage Commission - \$14,652 Merit Adjustment Fund
- z. Department of Arkansas Heritage – Historic Arkansas Museum - \$41,930 Merit Adjustment Fund
- aa. Parks and Tourism - \$546,045 Merit Adjustment Fund

D. Contract Between State Agencies

- 1. Minority Health Commission and University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Public Health – Amendment 4 in the amount of \$57,770

E. Memorandum of Agreement

- 1. Oil and Gas Commission and Department of Environmental Quality - \$340,000 for inspection and monitoring of drilling activities in the Arkoma Basin and Fayetteville Shale Play

The Subcommittee also reviewed the Department of Finance and Administration - Cumulative Report of Miscellaneous Federal Grant and Miscellaneous Workforce Investment Program Requests for 2 Previous Fiscal Years as required by Section 51 of Act 1443 of 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Bruce Maloch, Co-Chair

Rep. Stephen Meeks, Co-Chair