

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

July 14, 2015

Mr. Chairmen:

Your Subcommittee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) met on July 14th, 2015, and after having reviewed the following items, reports that the Subcommittee's review and/or approval is complete. At the June 2015 meeting Legislative Council adopted a motion that actions of subcommittees will be considered final at the date of the meeting for the month of July 2015.

A. Cash Fund Appropriation Increase Requests - FY16

1. Department of Finance & Administration – Building Authority Division - \$1,200,000
2. Tobacco Control - \$212,272
3. Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors Board - \$150,000
4. Insurance Department - \$330,000
5. Rice Research & Promotion Board - \$15,000,000
6. Department of Emergency Management - \$950,000

B. Items Approved

1. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Requests – FY16
Arkansas State Police – \$1,035,000 Fund Transfer from Court Awards Fund to Operations Fund; and
\$1,035,000 Appropriation Transfer from Confiscated Funds Transfer to Operations Appropriation.
2. Set-aside Funding Release Requests-FY16
 - a. Department of Correction - \$4,380,000
 - b. Economic Development Commission - \$1,500,000
 - c. University of Arkansas – Division of Agriculture - \$3,000,000
 - d. University of Arkansas Pine Bluff - \$422,083
 - e. Insurance Department - \$330,000

C. Budget Classification Transfer Requests – FY16

Manufactured Home Commission - \$6,500 to Operating Expense line item; \$4,500 from Conference & Travel; and \$2,000 from Professional Fees.

D. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Appropriation Requests - FY16

1. Health Department - \$1,030,732 – Hospital Ebola Preparedness Program
2. Health Department - \$1,631,026 – Community Ebola Readiness and Response Capability
3. Health Department - \$2,033,220 – Ebola Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity – 4 Positions
4. Economic Development Commission – Science & Technology - \$150,000

E. Contracts Between State Agencies

1. Department of Human Services – Behavioral Health with UALR MidSouth Training Academy in the amount of \$145,000
2. Department of Human Services – Behavioral Health with UAMS Department of Psychiatry amendment 2 in the amount of \$6,697,974.58
3. Department of Human Services – Child Care/Early Childhood Education with ASU Jonesboro amendment 8 in the amount of \$349,599.50
4. Department of Human Services – Medical Services with UAMS Department of Information Technology in the amount of \$103,016.25

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F. Items Approved on Emergency Basis

1. Cash Fund Appropriation Increase Request – FY15
 - Economic Development Commission – Rural Services -\$30,000
2. Appropriation and/or Fund Transfer Request – FY15
 - a. Governor’s Office-Appropriation transfer in the amount of \$36,000 from Capital Outlay to Professional Fees.
 - b. Treasurer’s Office-Appropriation transfer in the amount of \$40,000 from Capital Outlay to Operating Expenses.
 - c. Treasurer’s Office-Appropriation transfer in the amount of \$20,000 from Capital Outlay to Professional Fees.
3. Miscellaneous Federal Grant Appropriation Requests – FY16
 - Administrative Office of the Courts – STOP Domestic Violence -\$7,720
4. Pay Plan Holding Account/Merit Adjustment Fund Transfer Requests – FY15
 - Southern Arkansas University \$254,000 – Pay Plan
 - Arkansas Tech University \$3,600,000 – Pay Plan
 - State Board of Architects \$1,500 – Pay Plan
 - Bail Bonds Licensing Board \$891– Pay Plan
 - Board of Collection Agencies \$2,500 – Pay Plan
 - Professional Engineers & Surveyors Board \$407 – Pay Plan
 - Tobacco Control \$30,000 – Pay Plan
 - War Memorial Stadium Commission \$15,000 – Pay Plan
 - Waterways Commission \$1,882 – Pay Plan
 - Veteran’s Child Welfare Services \$4,500 – Pay Plan
 - Veteran’s Affairs \$45,000 – Pay Plan
 - Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board \$13,332 – Pay Plan
 - Oil & Gas Commission \$4,227 – Pay Plan
 - Public Services Commission \$80,000 – Pay Plan
 - Natural Resources Commission \$85,900 – Pay Plan
 - Natural Resources Commission \$235 – Pay Plan
 - Riverside Vocational Tech \$4,000 – Pay Plan
 - Health Department \$1,600 – Pay Plan
 - Economic Development Commission \$9,500 – Pay Plan
 - Correction Department \$3,083,010 – Merit
 - AETN \$32,799 – Merit
 - School for the Blind \$74,127 – Merit
 - Northwest Technical Institute \$46,842 – Merit
 - Parks & Tourism \$744,726 – Merit
 - Heritage \$17,926 – Merit
 - \$19,290 – Pay Plan
5. Reimbursement for Expenses from Innovation and Project Development Fund
 - Department of Information Systems - \$24,999
 - Department of Information Systems - \$250,000

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Bruce Maloch, Co-Chair

Rep. David Meeks, Co-Chair