

March 14, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to HB1170, the 2023-2024 Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education – Division of Elementary and Secondary Education – Public School Fund. These changes will reflect an overall decrease of 9 positions for the biennium, as well as a decrease of \$115,977 in the overall appropriation for personnel. This letter also includes the necessary appropriation needed to implement several key components of the LEARNS Act.

Please amend SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION – GRANTS AND AID TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS and renumber accordingly as follows:

ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(58) TEACHER RECRUITMENT		2,100,000
(XX) MATERNITY LEAVE		3,000,000
(XX) MERIT TEACHER INCENTIVE		10,000,000
(XX) MINIMUM TEACHER SALARY AND R	AISES	190,000,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$3,233,341,080	\$3,434,241,080

This request will discontinue the Teacher Recruitment line item and establish the appropriation needed to implement Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act. This includes the Maternity Leave program, the Merit Teacher Incentive program, and the Minimum Teacher Salary and Raises.

Please amend SECTION 2. REGULAR SALARIES – ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPUTER NETWORK and renumber accordingly as follows:

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		Maximum Annual
	Maximum	Salary Rate
Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
No. Code Title	<u>Employees</u>	2023-2024
(13) CO20C STUDENT APPLICATIONS	SPECIALIST 4 2	GRADE GS06
(14) DO77C HELP DESK SPECIALIST	2	GRADE GSo5
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	49 45	

Please amend SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPUTER NETWORK as follows:

ITEM	F	ISCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,856,694	\$2,719,574
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	991,467	932,456
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$29,601,250	\$29,405,119

This request will surrender four (4) vacant positions at the Department of Education – Division of Elementary and Secondary Education – Public School Fund and the associated appropriation.

I respectfully request the following amendments to SB36, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education – Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation.

Please amend SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES – OPERATIONS and renumber accordingly as follows:

					Maximum Annual
			Max	imum	Salary Rate
Item	Class		N	o. of	Fiscal Year
No.	Code	Title	Emp	oloyees	2023-2024
(XX)	G075C	ADE	PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS10
	MAX. N	10. OF	EMPLOYEES	31 32	

Please amend SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION – OPERATIONS as follows:

ITEM	F	ISCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,744,141	\$1,800,180
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	613,039	<u>632,758</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$2,911,141	\$2,986,899

This request provides for an additional position and associated appropriation for

the Division of Academic Facilities and Transportation to begin implementation and fulfill reporting requirements of the Transportation Modernization Grant Program as set forth in Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act. Full program implementation will not begin until Fiscal Year 2025.

I respectfully request the following amendments to SB76, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education.

Please amend SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES – SHARED SERVICES and renumber accordingly as follows:

				Maximum Annual
			Maximum	Salary Rate
Item	Class		No. of	Fiscal Year
No.	Code	Title	Employees	2023-2024
(XX)	Eo8oC	ADE CHIEF OF STAFF	1	GRADE SE03
(XX)	G331C	ADE CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL	<u>1</u>	GRADE SE01
	MAX. N	O. OF EMPLOYEES	84 <u>86</u>	

Please amend SECTION 3. SHARED SERVICES PAYING ACCOUNT as follows:

ITEM	F	ISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$5,806,570	\$6,086,680
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,900,346	1,978,128
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$7,896,916	\$8,254,808

Please amend SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES – STATE OPERATIONS and renumber accordingly as follows:

			Max	ximum Annual
		Maximum	1	Salary Rate
Item Class		No. of		Fiscal Year
No. Code	Title	Employee	s	2023-2024
(49) A074C	FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR		4 3	GRADE GS06
(53) G178C	POLICY DEVELOPMENT COORD	INATOR	4 2	GRADE GS06
(54) B076C	RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST		1	GRADE GS06
(55) Co22C	BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIA	LIST-	-1	GRADE GS05
(58) D077C	HELP DESK SPECIALIST		-1	GRADE GS05
(59) Co56C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	III	35 29	GRADE GS04
(60) R036C	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIS	ST	1	GRADE GS04
(61) C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST	II	19 <u>17</u>	GRADE GSo3
(XX) E081C	ADE ASSOCIATE DEPUTY		3	GRADE SE02
(XX) E082C	ADE PROGRAM DIRECTOR		1	GRADE GS15
(XX) E001N	ADE COORDINATOR OF			
	SPECIAL PROGRAMS		4	GRADE GS13
MAX. 1	NO. OF EMPLOYEES		309 302	

Please amend SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS as follows:

ITEM	F)	ISCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$13,693,329	\$13,523,874
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	4,692,935	<u>4,571,106</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$22,250,482	\$21,959,198

Please amend SECTION 19. REGULAR SALARIES – PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD as follows:

		Maximum Annual
	Maximum	Salary Rate
Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
No. Code Title	Employees	2023-2024
(4) X074C EDUCATION INVESTIGATOR	4 3	GRADE GS08
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	12 11	

Please amend SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION – PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD as follows:

ITEM	FI	SCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$636,951	\$591,941
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	228,513	<u>211,311</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$1,411,294	\$1,349,082

This request will surrender sixteen (16) vacant positions, add eight (8) new positions, and add the associated appropriation in order to implement and support the LEARNS Act and maintain government efficiencies.

Please amend SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION – REVOLVING LOAN CERTIFICATES PROGRAM as follows:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2023-2024
(XX) LOANS TO OPEN-ENROLLMENT	
PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS	\$10,000,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$13.111.142 \$23.111.142

This request will implement the facilities funding program for open-enrollment public charter schools as set forth in Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act.

Please delete in its entirety SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION – SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM and renumber accordingly.

Immediately following SECTION 24, please add the following:

SECTION XX. APPROPRIATION — EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Arkansas Children's Educational Freedom Account Fund, for Educational Freedom Accounts by the Department of Education — Division of Elementary and Secondary Education — Educational Freedom Accounts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

 ITEM
 FISCAL YEAR

 NO.
 2023-2024

 (01) EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNTS
 \$52,100,000

This request will replace the Succeed Scholarship Program appropriation and establish the Education Freedom Accounts appropriation as set forth in Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1170 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1170

Amend House Bill No. 1170 as originally introduced:

Page 3, delete line 22 in its entirety

AND

Page 3, delete line 28 in its entirety and substitute with the following:

" (64) YOUTH SHELTERS

165,000

(65) MATERNITY LEAVE

3,000,000

(66) MERIT TEACHER INCENTIVE

10,000,000

(67) MINIMUM TEACHER SALARY AND RAISES

190,000,000"

AND

Appropriately renumber all item numbers in SECTION 1

AND

Page 3, line 29, delete "\$3,233,341,080" and substitute "\$3,434,241,080"

AND

Page 4, line 17, delete "4" and substitute "2"

AND

Page 4, delete line 18 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"(14) DO77C HELP DESK SPECIALIST

AND

Page 4, line 20, delete "49" and substitute "45"

AND

Page 4, line 32. delete "\$2,856,694" and substitute "\$2,719,574"

AND

Page 4, line 33, delete "991,467" and substitute "932,456"

AND

Page 5, delete "__\$29,601,259" and substitute "__\$29,405,119".

The Amendment was read

By: Joint Budget Committee

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 36
AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC
FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.
Amendment No to Senate Bill No. 36
Amend Senate Bill No. 36 as originally introduced:
Page 1, immediately following line 36, insert a new line to read as follows: "(3.1) GO75C ADE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR 1 GRADE GS10"
AND
Page 2, line 10, delete "31" and substitute "32"
AND
Page 2, line 30, delete "\$1,744,141" and substitute "\$1,800,180"
AND
Page 2, line 32, delete "613,039" and substitute "632,758"
AND
Page 3, line 4, delete "\$2,911,141" and substitute "\$2,986,899".

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 76		
AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR THI	E 2023-20	24 FISCAL YEAR
Amendment No to Senate Bill No. 76		
Amend Senate Bill No. 76 as originally introduced:		
Page 1, immediately following line 30, insert a new line t	o read	as follows:
"(1.1) E080C ADE CHIEF OF STAFF	1	GRADE SE03"
AND		
Page 1, immediately following line 31, insert a new line t	o read	as follows:
"(2.1) G331C ADE CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL	1	GRADE SE01"
AND		
Page 3, line 20, delete "84" and substitute "86"		
AND		
Page 4, line 3, delete "\$5,806,570" and substitute "\$6,086	,680"	
AND		
Page 4, line 5, delete "1,900,346" and substitute "1,978,1	28"	
AND		
Page 4, line 12, delete " <u>\$7,896,916</u> " and substitute " <u></u>	\$8 , 254	<u>,808</u> "
AND		
Page 4, immediately following line 24, insert a new line t	o read	as follows:
"(2.1) E081C ADE ASSOCIATE DEPUTY	3	GRADE SE02"

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AND
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PAGE 5, immediately following line 2, insert a new line to read as follows:
" (16.1) E082C ADE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

1 GRADE GS15"

AND

Page 5, line 5, delete "3" and substitute "7"

AND

Page 5, line 35, delete "4" and substitute "3"

AND

Page 6, line 3, delete "4" and substitute "2"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 4 and 5 in their entirety and substitute the following:

"(54) B076C RESEARCH PROJECT ANALYST 1 GRADE GS06
(55) C022C BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALIST 1 GRADE GS05"

AND

Page 6, delete line 8 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"(58) D077C HELP DESK SPECIALIST 1 GRADE GS05"

AND

Page 6, line 9, delete "35" and substitute "29"

AND

Page 6, line 11, delete "__19" and substitute "__17"

AND

Page 6, line 12, delete "309" and substitute "302"

AND

Page 6, line 32, delete "\$13,693,329" and substitute "\$13,523,874"

AND

Page 6, line 34, delete "4,692,935" and substitute "4,571,106"

AND

Page 7, line 5, delete "___\$22,250,482" and substitute "___\$21,959,198"

AND

Page 8, line 23, delete "____13,000,000" and substitute "____13,000,000"

AND

Page 8, immediately following line 23, insert a new line to read as follows:

" (05) LOANS TO OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS 10,000,000"

AND

Page 8, line 24, delete "___\$13,111,142" and substitute "___\$23,111,142"

AND

Page 13, line 14, delete "4" and substitute "3"

AND

Page 13, line 18, delete "12" and substitute "11"

AND

Page 13, line 30, delete "\$636,951" and substitute "\$591,941"

AND

Page 13, line 31, delete "228,513" and substitute "211,311"

AND

Page 14, line 3, delete "___\$1,411,294" and substitute "___\$1,349,082"

AND

Page 14, delete SECTION 22 in its entirety

AND

Page 15, immediately following SECTION 24, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

" SECTION 25. APPROPRIATION - EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Arkansas Children's Educational Freedom Account Fund, for Educational Freedom Accounts by the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and

Secondary Education - Educational Freedom Accounts for the June 30, 2024, the following:	fiscal year ending
ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2023-2024
(01) EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACCOUNTS	<u>\$52,100,000</u> "
AND	
Appropriately renumber all SECTION numbers of the bill.	
The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and By: Joint Budget Committee KMW/KMW - 03-22-2023 09:52:29	
KMW050	Secretary



March 15, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to SB75, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Education – Division of Higher Education.

Please amend SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES – GENERAL OPERATIONS as follows:

			Maximum Annual
		Maximum	Salary Rate
Item	Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
No.	Code Title	Employees	2023-2024
(19)	G102C DHE PROGRAM SPECIALIST	17 <u>18</u>	GRADE GS09
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	53 54	

Please amend SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION – GENERAL OPERATIONS as follows:

ITEM	FI	SCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,107,687	\$2,157,909
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	673,463	691,934
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$4,185,155	\$4,253,848

This request will provide a position to administer the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program that was created by Act 237 of 2023, the LEARNS Act.

Please amend SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION – STUDENT ASSISTANCE GRANTS AND VARIOUS SCHOLARSHIPS as follows:

Item		Fiscal Year
No.		2023-2024
(04) STATE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM	2,000,000	4,000,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$62,950,000	\$64,950,000

This request will provide sufficient appropriation for the State Teacher Education Program.

Immediately following Section 23, please insert SECTION XX. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM as follows and renumber accordingly:

SECTION XX. APPROPRIATION – ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program Fund, for scholarships, personal services and operating expenses necessary to create and maintain the Department of Education – Division of Higher Education – Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

Item	Fiscal Year
No.	2023-2024
(1) ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY	

(1) ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

\$12,000,000

This request will provide sufficient appropriation for the implementation of the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 75

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill No. 75

Amend Senate Bill No. 75 as engrossed S2/13/23 (version: 02/13/2023 2:16:28 PM):

Page 2, line 15, delete "17" and substitute "18"

AND

Page 2, line 26, delete "53" and substitute "54"

AND

Page 3, line 9, delete "\$2,107,687" and substitute "\$2,157,909"

AND

Page 3, line 11, delete "673,463" and substitute "691,934"

AND

Page 3, line 20, delete "___\$4,185,155" and substitute "___\$4,253,848"

AND

Page 4, line 30, delete "2,000,000" and substitute "4,000,000"

AND

Page 5, line 11, delete "__\$62,950,000" and substitute "__\$64,950,000"

AND

Page 12, immediately following SECTION 23, insert a new SECTION to read as follows:

PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program Fund, for scholarships, personal services, and operating expenses necessary to create and maintain the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program by the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: ITEM	" SECTION 24. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY SC	HOLARSHIP
scholarships, personal services, and operating expenses necessary to create and maintain the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program by the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: ITEM FISCAL YEAR NO. 2023-2024 (1) ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM \$12,000,000" AND Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill. The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and By: Joint Budget Committee	PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of ${\tt E}$	ducation, to be
and maintain the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program by the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: ITEM FISCAL YEAR NO. 2023-2024 (1) ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM \$12,000,000" AND Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill. The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and By: Joint Budget Committee	payable from the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program	Fund, for
Department of Education - Division of Higher Education - Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: ITEM FISCAL YEAR NO. 2023-2024 (1) ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM \$12,000,000" AND Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill. The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and By: Joint Budget Committee	scholarships, personal services, and operating expenses necess	ary to create
Academy Scholarship Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following: ITEM NO. (1) ARKANSAS TEACHER ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AND Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill. The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and By: Joint Budget Committee	and maintain the Arkansas Teacher Academy Scholarship Program	by the
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March 15, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to HB1231, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Public Safety.

Please amend SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES – SHARED SERVICES as follows and renumber accordingly:

				Maximum Annual
		Maximur	n	Salary Rate
Item Class		No. o	of	Fiscal Year
No. Code	Title	Employ	ees	2023-2024
(27) R006C	HUMAN RESOURCES ADMIT	NISTRATOR	1	GRADE GS12
(XX) A139C	CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER		<u>1</u>	GRADE GS15

This request will incorporate positions changes that were approved by the Arkansas Legislative Council during Fiscal Year 2023.

Please amend SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION – ASP – OPERATIONS as follows:

Item		Fiscal Year
No.		2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$59,464,528	\$62,704,528
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	34,625,964	<u>37,916,264</u>
(04) OVERTIME	176,000	<u>3,861,000</u>
(o5) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	13,927,026	<u> 15,771,326</u>
(C) PROF. FEES	173,550	<u> 186,750</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$109,000,928	\$121,073,728

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This request will allow the Department to expand the Arkansas State Police Certified Troop School and also includes an increase in overtime to allow for statewide coverage due to staffing shortage.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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Amendment Form

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1231

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1231

Amend House Bill No. 1231 as originally introduced:

Page 2, immediately following line 12, insert a new line that reads as follows:

"(20.1) A139C CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER

GRADE GS15"

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AND

Page 2, delete line 19 and substitute the following:

"(27) ROOGC HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR

AND

Page 10, line 5, delete "\$59,464,528" and substitute "\$62,704,528"

AND

Page 10, line 7, delete "34,625,964" and substitute "37,916,264"

AND

Page 10, line 8, delete "176,000" and substitute "3,861,000"

AND

Page 10, line 10, delete "13,927,026" and substitute "15,771,326"

AND

Page 10, line 12, delete "173,550" and substitute "186,750"

AND

The Amendment was read	
By: Joint Budget Committee	
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DJC024	Chief Clerk

Page 10, line 16, delete " $_{\underline{$109,000,928}}$ " and substitute " $_{\underline{$121,073,728}}$ ".



March 21, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendment to SB64, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Energy and Environment - Arkansas Geological Survey.

Please amend SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS as follows:

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Energy and Environment, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account Oil and Gas Commission Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Energy and Environment - Arkansas Geological Survey for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following.

This request will allow the Arkansas Geological Survey to utilize the Oil and Gas Commission Fund for personal services and operations as per SB433.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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	Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 64
AN AC	T FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - ARKANSAS GEOLOGICAL SURVEY APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.
	Amendment No to Senate Bill No. 64
Amend S	enate Bill No. 64 as originally introduced:

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March 21, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to SB52, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Human Services – Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education.

Please insert the following and renumber accordingly:

SECTION X. APPROPRIATION – OPERATIONS – FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the federal funds as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants for the Department of Human Services - Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024:

Item		Fiscal Year
No.		2023-2024
(01)	PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING & GRANTS	\$53,000,000

This request will allow the division to utilize federal funding for grants, operating and personal services.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 52
AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF CHILD CARE AND EARLY
CHILDHOOD EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.
Amendment No to Senate Bill No. 52
Amend Senate Bill No. 52 as originally introduced:
On page 4, immediately following SECTION 5, insert the following:
"SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be payable from the federal funds as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses, and grants for the Department of Human Services - Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:
ITEM FISCAL YEAR
NO. 2023-2024 (01) PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING & GRANTS \$53,000,000
AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

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March 21, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to HB1096, the 2023-2024 Appropriation Bill for the Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer.

Please amend SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION – MISCELLANEOUS TRANSFERS as follows:

ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES OVERTIME	\$6,000,000	\$10,000,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$99,550,000	\$103,550,000

This request will ensure there is sufficient appropriation for any overtime requests in Fiscal Year 2024.

Please amend SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION – VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES – CASH as follows:

ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(01) CASH APPROPRIATION-VARIOUS AGENCIES	\$300,000,000	\$750,000,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$310,000,000</u>	\$760,000,000

This request will ensure there is sufficient appropriation for any cash appropriation requests in Fiscal Year 2024.

Please amend SECTION 32. APPROPRIATION - VARIOUS TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION FOR STATE AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS as follows:

ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(01) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION - V.	ARIOUS	
AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS	\$350,000,000	\$750,000,000

This request will ensure there is sufficient appropriation for any various temporary appropriation requests in Fiscal Year 2024.

Please amend SECTION 36. APPROPRIATION - INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT & JOBS ACT OF 2021 as follows:

ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
NO.		2023-2024
(01) FEDERAL FUNDS AWARDED TO		
AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, INSTI	TUTIONS	
CITIES AND COUNTIES	\$550,000,000	\$3,500,000,000

This request will ensure there is sufficient appropriation for any Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act federal grant awards in Fiscal Year 2024.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1096

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1096

Amend House Bill No. 1096 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 33, delete "6,000,000" and insert "10,000,000"

AND

Page 2, line 36, delete "_\frac{\\$99,550,000}{}" and insert "_\frac{\\$103,550,000}{}"

AND

Page 11, line 29, delete "\$300,000,000" and insert "\$750,000,000"

AND

Page 11, line 31, delete "_\$310,000,000" and insert "_\$760,000,000"

AND

Page 13, line 23, delete "_\$350,000,000" and insert "_\$750,000,000"

AND

Page 15, line 4, delete " $\frac{$550,000,000}{}$ " and insert " $\frac{$3,500,000,000}{}$ ".

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March 21, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to HB1084, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Finance and Administration.

Please amend SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION – BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY as follows:

Item		Fiscal Year
No.		2023-2024
(01) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$27,850,000	\$36,350,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$39,500,000	\$48,000,000

This request will provide sufficient appropriation for the required upgrade of the State's financial accounting system.

Please amend SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION – REVENUE SERVICES DIVISION – COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE PROGRAM as follows:

SECTION 27. APPROPRIATION - REVENUE SERVICES DIVISION - COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE PROGRAM DRIVER SERVICES / MOTOR VEHICLES PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration, to be payable from the Commercial Driver License Fund, for

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personal services and operating expenses of the Department of Finance and Administration – Revenue Services Division – Commercial Drivers License Program Driver Services / Motor Vehicles Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following.

This request will allow the appropriation to be utilized for the purposes defined in the Commercial Drivers License Fund.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1084

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1084

Amend House Bill No. 1084 as originally introduced:

Page 9, line 13, delete "\$27,850,000" and insert "\$36,350,000"

AND

Page 9, line 16, delete "__\$39,500,000" and insert "__\$48,000,000"

AND

Page 16, line 28, delete "COMMERCIAL" and insert "DRIVER SERVICES/MOTOR VEHICLES"

AND

Page 16, line 29, delete "DRIVERS LICENSE"

AND

Page 16, line 32, delete "Commercial Drivers" and insert "Driver Services/Motor Vehicles"

AND

Page 16, line 33, delete "License".

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March 21, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair Joint Budget Committee Arkansas General Assembly State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the following amendments to SB49, the 2023-2024 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Please amend SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY as follows:

Item			Fiscal Year
No.			2023-2024
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$170,772	\$221,420
(02)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	<u>44,338</u>	<u>59,784</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$215,110</u>	<u>\$281,204</u>

This will support the salary and personal services matching for the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Please amend SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION – STATE OPERATIONS as follows:

Item			Fiscal Year
No.			2023-2024
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	17.500	20,000

(04) AID TO COUNTY VETERANS'

SERVICE OFFICES	475,000	<u>516,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$2,281,613	\$2,325,113

This will allow the Department to sponsor trainings for employees and provide additional appropriation needed to support reimbursements to county Veterans' Service Offices.

Please amend SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - VETERANS' HOMES - CASH as follows:

Item			Fiscal Year
No.			2023-2024
(01)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$10,295,389	\$8,000,000
(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	4 ,533,128	<u>2,400,000</u>
(04)	OVERTIME	627,198	900,000
(05)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	7,652,808	<u>15,652,808</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$23,704,693</u>	<u>\$27,548,978</u>

This will support the Department's use of contract labor as a result of staffing shortages within state Veterans' Homes.

Please amend SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION – VETERANS' CEMETERIES - STATE as follows:

Item			Fiscal Year
No.			2023-2024
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		-
	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	161,800	<u>180,000</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$1,210,906	\$1,229,106

This will allow the Department to upgrade computers.

Please amend SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION – VETERANS' CEMETERIES - CASH as follows:

Item			Fiscal Year
No.			2023-2024
(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
` ,	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	167,750	<u>267,750</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$1,156,461</u>	<u>\$1,256,461</u>

This will allow the Department to purchase a vehicle and trailer for hauling items at the cemeteries.

Please amend SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS - DISABLED VETERANS' SERVICES OFFICE as follows:

Item			Fiscal Year
No.			2023-2024
(03)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
` ,	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,304	<u>3,000</u>
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$42,190	<u>\$43,886</u>

This will allow the Department to upgrade computers.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Huckabee Sanders

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 49

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to Senate Bill No. 49

Amend Senate Bill No. 49 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 3, delete "\$170,772" and substitute "\$221,420"

and

Page 2, line 4, delete " 44,338" and substitute " 59,784"

and

Page 2, line 5, delete "____\$215,110" and substitute "____\$281,204"

and

Page 4, line 11, delete "17,500" and substitute "20,000"

and

Page 4, line 16, delete "475,000" and substitute "516,000"

and

Page 4, line 18, delete "___\$2,281,613" and substitute "___\$2,325,113"

and

Page 5, line 2, delete "\$10,295,389" and substitute "\$8,000,000"

and

Page 5, line 4, delete "4,533,128" and substitute "2,400,000"

and

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Page 5, line 5, delete "627,198" and substitute "900,000"
and
Page 5, line 7, delete "7,652,808" and substitute "15,652,808"
and
Page 5, line 14, delete "___$23,704,693" and substitute "___$27,548,978"
and
Page 6, line 16, delete "161,800" and substitute "180,000"
and
Page 6, line 21, delete "___$1,210,906" and substitute "___$1,229,106"
and
Page 7, line 12, delete "167,750" and substitute "267,750"
and
Page 7, line 15, delete "___$1,156,461" and substitute "___$1,256,461"
and
Page 8, line 26, delete "1,304" and substitute "3,000"
and
Page 8, line 31, delete "___$42,190" and substitute "__$43,866".
The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and ____
By: Joint Budget Committee
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