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February 13, 2025

Senator Kim Hammer, Co-Chair Representative Aaron Pilkington, Co-Chair PEER/Review Subcommittee Joint Budget Committee State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY25 Cash Appropriation Increase Request(s)

Dear Co-Chairs:

I am forwarding for appropriate action as required by law, the attached Cash Appropriation Increase Request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely,

James L. Hudson Secretary

Attachment(s)

Sarah Huckabee Sanders Governor



STATE OF ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND LICENSING 900 WEST CAPITOL AVE, STE.400 • LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201 Phone: 501-682-4500 Fax: 501-682-4506 TRS: 800-285-1131

Daryl E. Bassett Secretary Labor and Licensing

January 3, 2024

BA: 0212 FC: 81J FUND: NBE0000 502:00:02 DH 1/13/2025

Senator Jonathan Dismang Co-Chair Representative Frances Cavenaugh, Co-Chair Arkansas Legislative Council - PEER Committee State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing - Barber Examiners

Dear Co-Chairs,

The Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing – Division of Barber Examiners is requesting \$33,000.00 in cash appropriation. Barber Examiners needs additional appropriation for the Enterprise License Platform (ELP), mileage and other reimbursements.

Business Area	BA0212	Additional	
Business Title	AR State Bd of Barber Examiners		
Fund	NBE0000		
Fund Center	81J		
Commitment Item	502:00:02 Operating Expense	\$	33,000.00
Funding Source	License and Application Fees		
Cash Available to			
Spend	\$392,789.12		
Justification	ELP and Employee Mileage		

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Daryl E. Bassett, Secretary Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing

Cc: Steven Guntharp, Chief of Staff Tyler Cain, Chief Financial Officer

> Request in compliance with approved IT plan on file DFA IGS State Technology Planning

1/22/2025

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Signature

Date

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January 15, 2025

Robert Brech, Administrator Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget 1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, AR 72203-3278 BA 0192 FC A26 Fund 2190000 Cl 05 - \$12,000,000 Fund Balance as of 1/16/25 \$1,266,230.85 MPK

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Dear Mr. Brech,

The University of Arkansas Community College at Rich Mountain (UACCRM) respectfully requests a transfer of appropriation from the Cash Appropriation – Various Agencies pursuant to Section 27 of Act 152 of 2024. The appropriation transfer will allow UACCRM to have sufficient appropriations related to a \$12 million congressionally directed spending grant for the construction of a twenty-thousand-square-foot Allied Health building on the UACCRM campus in Mena, AR. This appropriation is requested in the following line item:

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Fund Center: A26 Fund: 2190000 Commitment Item: 5090005

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Thank you for your consideration,

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Phillip Wilson



Arkansas School for the Deaf

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Jacob Oliva Secretary K. Nicole Walsh Superintendent 0513 EDUC \$0

> 1/27/25 CH

January 16, 2025

Robert Brech, Administrator Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget 1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

Dear Mr. Brech,

The Arkansas Department of Education School for the Deaf requests a new cash fund and appropriation. The division will use the fund to collect student fees and donations. Parents will have the ability to pay for field trips and other activity fees online. Additionally, community members will have the opportunity to make online donations to the school. The donations will be used to enhance the campus and provide for student needs outside of General Revenue.

Fund Center –	NEW
Fund –	NEW
Commitment Item -	590:00:46
Amount -	\$250,000

Thank your for your consideration,

Grea Road CFO, Arkansas Department of Education



State of Arkansas Commissioner of State Lands

Tommy Land, Commissioner

January 28, 2025

The Honorable Jim Hudson Secretary, Department of Finance and Administration Chief Fiscal Officer, State of Arkansas 1509 West 7th Street, Room 401 Little Rock, AR 72201 BA 0061 Funds Center B28 Fund 1170400 CI 5900046

fund balance: \$12,521,216 jmoore 1/28/2025

Dear Secretary Hudson:

The remaining impacts from the Pandemic of 2020 and 2021 are winding down in the fiscal operations of the Commissioner of State Lands. FY24/25 is the period when Excess Proceeds escheat back to the counties. Due to the cessation of sales in all of 2020 and the first half of 2021, sales in 2022 accounted for two years of sales. Excess proceeds from those sales are now escheating to the counties and those escheatment actions are at a rate double of a typical year.

Additionally, individuals who have the opportunity to receive these excess proceeds are obtaining the services of third-party agents who are assisting these individuals in applying for and receiving excess proceeds from the sales of tax delinquent lands at an unanticipated rate. Initial analysis indicates this is a trend which will continue into the foreseeable future.

As a result of these two factors, the Commissioner of State Lands is seeking an increase in Cash Fund Appropriation totaling \$4,000,000.00 to ensure timely payment of excess proceeds to individuals and excess proceeds escheatment to the counties. The agency currently has sufficient cash fund balances to fund the additional appropriation.

Business Area: 0061 Fund 1170400 B28T 511:00:14 Refunds/Reimbursements An appropriation increase of \$4,000,000.00

Please advise if additional information is required in support of this request.

Sincerely Yours,

Kelly Boyd Chief Deputy

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Cam Patterson, MD, MBA UAMS Chancellor

February 10, 2025

BA 0150 Funded by Restricted Reserve Request FC New Fund New UNIV MPK 2/10/25

Jim Hudson Secretary Department of Finance and Administration 1509 West 7th Street Little Rock, AR 72201

Secretary Hudson:

The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) is formally requesting a transfer of cash appropriation in the amount of \$2,550,225 as authorized under Section 27 of Act 152 of 2024. This appropriation will be used to facilitate the development and full implementation of new family medicine residency programs in South Arkansas.

We appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Cam Patterson, M.D., MBA Chancellor





February 7, 2025

Secretary Jim Hudson Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget 1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, AR 72203-3278 0620 NDP1400 (New) \$0 2.10.25 DS

Dear Secretary Hudson:

The Department of Finance and Administration requests a transfer of \$4,518,000 in appropriation from the Various State Agencies – Cash Appropriations, Act 152 of 2024, Section 27 as follows:

From:

Business Area 0620, Fund 9990000, Fund Center A08, Commitment Item 590:00:33

To:

Business Area 0620, Fund NDP1400, Fund Center (New), Commitment Item 510:00:04

The Department will utilize this appropriation to provide a grant Washington Regional Medical Center to help address the significant – and worsening – physician shortage in urban and rural areas across the state. Please see the attached request from Washington Regional dated February 3, 2025.

This appropriation will be funded by the Food Insecurity and Health Needs Set-Aside, pursuant to the provisions of Act 561 of 2023, Section 3 (24).

Please contact Melanie Hazeslip (501) 682-5229 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Alan McVey CFO/Chief of Staff

cc: Melanie Hazeslip, OAS Administrator





February 7, 2025

0620 NDP1300 (New) \$0 2.10.25 DS

Secretary Jim Hudson Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget 1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

Dear Secretary Hudson:

The Department of Finance and Administration requests a transfer of \$4,800,000 in appropriation from the Various State Agencies – Cash Appropriations, Act 152 of 2024, Section 27 as follows:

From:

Business Area 0620, Fund 9990000, Fund Center A08, Commitment Item 590:00:33

To:

Business Area 0620, Fund NDP1300, Fund Center (New), Commitment Item 510:00:04

The Department will utilize this appropriation to provide a grant to Mercy for the Mercy Fort Smith Graduate Medical Education Residency Program. Please see the attached request from Mercy dated January 31, 2025.

This appropriation will be funded by the Food Insecurity and Health Needs Set-Aside, pursuant to the provisions of Act 561 of 2023, Section 3 (24).

Please contact Melanie Hazeslip (501) 682-5229 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Alan McVey CFO/Chief of Staff

cc: Melanie Hazeslip, OAS Administrator





February 7, 2025

Secretary Jim Hudson Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget 1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, AR 72203-3278 0620 NDP1500 (New) \$0 2.10.25 DS

Dear Secretary Hudson:

The Department of Finance and Administration requests a transfer of \$20,100,000 in appropriation from the Various State Agencies – Cash Appropriations, Act 152 of 2024, Section 27 as follows:

From:

Business Area 0620, Fund 9990000, Fund Center A08, Commitment Item 590:00:33

To:

Business Area 0620, Fund NDP1500, Fund Center (New), Commitment Item 510:00:04

The Department will utilize this appropriation to provide a grant to the Northwest Arkansas National Airport (XNA) to provide matching funds for other infrastructure and capital projects that are majority federal funded for projects including (1) the Terminal Expansion and Modernization and (2) the Air Traffic Control Tower Improvements.

This appropriation will be funded by the Infrastructure Grants Matching Set-Aside, Act 175 of 2024 Section 6 (4)(A).

Please contact Melanie Hazeslip (501) 682-5229 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Alan McVey CFO/Chief of Staff

cc: Melanie Hazeslip, OAS Administrator



Fund Balance as of 2/11/2025 \$12,632,477

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TIM GRIFFIN Attorney general

February 11, 2025

The Honorable Jim Hudson Secretary Department of Finance and Administration 1509 West Seventh Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Secretary Hudson,

My office has authority under Ark. Code Ann. § 25-16-718 and Section 13 of Act 145 of 2024 to make "grants ... from unrestricted settlement fees and other cash funds of the Office of Attorney General." These settlement funds are the proceeds of litigation conducted by my office, and I regularly authorize grants of these funds to entities that improve the lives of Arkansans.

I recently approved two such grants: (1) \$1,000,000 to the University of Arkansas at Monticello for the Arkansas Forest Health Research Center; and (2) \$1,000,000 to the Arkansas State Police Foundation for barracks construction. I am not requesting any additional financial resources; the settlement funds earmarked for these grants are already in the possession of my office. I am requesting that you allocate \$2,000,000 of the appropriation granted by Section 27 of Act 152 of 2024 to the Office of the Attorney General. This will permit me to disburse these grants immediately instead of delaying until the new fiscal year. The following accounting information was provided by your office to assist with this request:

Business Area: 0053 Functional Area: CNST Funds Center: D37 Fund: 1520000 Commitment Item: 590:00:46

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions, please contact my Chief Deputy, Ryan Owsley, at (501) 650-3150 or ryan.owsley@arkansasag.gov.

Sincerely Tim Griffin Attorney General

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February 12, 2025

\$3,598,202 2/12/25 CH

Secretary Jim Hudson Department of Finance & Administration Office of the Secretary 1509 W. 7th Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Secretary Hudson,

Arkansas PBS (Arkansas Educational Television Commission) requests additional cash appropriations for Fiscal Year 2025 totaling \$2,440,420 in the Operating commitment item. This appropriation covers new funding opportunities to produce a children's programming series for the ages of 5-8 years of age. PBS Kids will fund this program for educational purposes for Arkansas PBS and PBS stations across the country. The total project budget is estimated at \$4,440,420. Appropriation for the remaining funding will be requested at a later date. This project will bring over \$3.8 million in film production revenue to the state and will primarily film in Arkansas.

Business Area	0516
Fund	New Fund (NET0010)
Fund Center	127
Commitment Item	502:00:02
Functional Area	EDUC

I appreciate your consideration. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Courtney Pledger Courtney Pledger (Feb 12, 2025

Courtney Pledger Executive Director

cc: Robert Brech – Office of Budget; DFA