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March 4, 2025

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 HB1124, the 2025-2026 Operations Appropriation Bill for the Department of Finance and Administration.

Please amend SECTION 23. REGULAR SALARIES – REVENUE SERVICES DIVISION as follows and renumber accordingly:

				Maximum Annual
		Maxim	um	Salary Rate
Item Class		No. c	of	Fiscal Year
No. Code	Title	Emplo	<u>yees</u>	2025-2026
(11) A003C	DFA REVENUE ASSISTANT	11	<u>12</u>	GRADE GS14
	ADMINISTRATOR			
(12) A006C	DFA REVENUE TAX	10	<u>11</u>	GRADE GS13
	DIVISION MANAGER			
(14) G004C	MANAGING ATTORNEY	2	<u>6</u>	GRADE GS13
(18) A014C	FISCAL DIVISION MANAGE	R 3	5	GRADE GS12

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(22) A033C	TAX AUDITOR SUPERVISOR	2 4	<u>21</u>	GRADE GS11
(29) A054C	TAX AUDITOR II	178	<u>172</u>	GRADE GS09
(54) A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	5	2	GRADE GS04
(56) C046C	LEGAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	5	2	GRADE GS04
(59) C059C	DFA SERVICE	813	<u>780</u>	GRADE GS03
	REPRESENTATIVE			
MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES		1,58	5 <u>1,545</u>	

Please amend Section 25. APPROPRIATION – REVENUE SERVICES DIVISION-OPERATIONS as follows:

Item No.		FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$70,054,842	<u>\$68,627,649</u>
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	28,906,267	28,257,216
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	25,000,000	24,990,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	110,000	106,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$125,671,109</u>	<u>\$123,580,865</u>

This request moves 40 positions from the DFA - Revenue Division to the DFA - Racing Commission to better align the reporting structure to reflect the shared mission of the Racing Commission and the Casino Gaming Section. Additionally, it adds 4 managing attorneys and surrenders 3 legal support specialists and 1 service representative. The new positions will focus on updating the division's rules and preparing taxpayers requested legal opinions on tax matters. This also adds 5 positions to the Individual Income Tax section and surrenders 5 DFA service representatives. This will strengthen efforts in combatting income tax fraud from organized crime rings and hostile nation states.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Sarah Huckabee Sanders Governor of Arkansas

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Subtitle of House Bill 1124

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ____ to House Bill 1124

Amend House Bill 1124 as originally introduced:

Page 13, line 34, delete "11" and insert "12"

AND

Page 13, line 35, delete "10" and insert "11"

AND

Page 14, line 1, delete "2" and insert "6"

AND

Page 14, line 5, delete "3" and insert "5"

AND

Page 14, line 9, delete "24" and insert "21"

AND

Page 14, line 16, delete "178" and insert "172"

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AND
Page 15, line 5, delete "5" and insert "2"
AND
Page 15, line 7, delete "5" and insert "2"
AND
Page 15, line 10, delete "813" and insert "780"
AND
Page 15, line 14, delete "1,585" and insert "1,545"
AND
Page 15, line 34, delete "$70,054,842" and insert "$68,627,649"
AND
Page 15, line 36, delete "28,906,267" and insert "28,257,216"
AND
Page 16, line 3, delete "25,000,000" and insert "24,990,000"
AND
Page 16, line 4, delete "110,000" and insert "106,000"
AND
Page 16, line 8, delete "<u>$125,671,109</u>" and insert "<u>$123,580,865"</u>.
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Chief Clerk