# **ARKANSAS SENATE**

91st General Assembly - Fiscal Session, 2018

# **Amendment Form**

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#### Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 29

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR.

## Amendment No. \_\_\_ to Senate Bill No. 29

Amend Senate Bill No. 29 as originally introduced:

Page 5, immediately following SECTION 7, insert the following:

- SECTION 8. SPECIAL LANGUAGE CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 10-3-3202(a)(2), concerning cases reviewed by the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee, is amended to read as follows:
- (2) All cases that are reviewed and evaluated under this section shall:
- (A) Be completed investigations of child maltreatment or dependency-neglect; and
- (B) Not be associated with a pending dependency-neglect case.
- SECTION 9. SPECIAL LANGUAGE CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 10-3-3202(b), concerning the members of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee, is amended to read as follows:
- (b)(1) The Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee shall be composed of the following members: eighteen (18) members, and unless otherwise provided under this section, the members shall be selected by the Chair of the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs and the Chair of the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth in consultation with members of the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs and the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth.
- (2) Membership of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee shall include:
- (A) The Director of the Division of Children and Family Services of the Department of Human Services, or his or her designee;
- (B) The Commander of the Crimes Against Children Division of the Department of Arkansas State Police, or his or her designee;
- (C) One (1) representative from the Governor's office, as selected by the Governor;

- (D) One (1) attorney who is employed as parent counsel;
- (E) One (1) dependency-neglect attorney ad litem;
- (F) One (1) attorney who:
  - (i) Has experience representing parents in child

welfare cases; and

- (ii) Is not contracted by the state;
- (G) One (1) judge or justice, who may be a retired judge

or justice;

- (H) One (1) current or former representative from the court-appointed special advocate program;
  - (I) One (1) representative from a child advocacy center;
- (J)(i) One (1) parent who was previously designated as a subject of the report.
  - (ii) As used in subdivision (b)(2)(J)(i)

(b)(l)(J)(i) of this section, "subject of the report" means:

- (a) The offender;
- (b) The custodial and noncustodial parents,

guardians, and legal custodians of the child who is subject to suspected maltreatment; and

(c) The child who is the subject of suspected

maltreatment;

- (K) One (1) adult who was previously in the custody of the state as a foster child due to a true finding of child maltreatment or neglect;
  - (L) One (1) current foster parent;
- (M)(i) The Chair of the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs or his or her designee and the Chair of the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth or his or her designee;
- (ii) The Chair of the House Committee on Aging,
  Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs shall be a nonvoting ex
  officio member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee
  if he or she appoints a designee under subdivision (b)(1)(M)(i) of this
  section;
- (N) (i) The Chair of the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth or his or her designee.
- (ii) The Chair of the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth shall be a nonvoting ex officio member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee if he or she appoints a designee under subdivision (b)(l)(N)(i) of this section;
- $\frac{\text{(N)(i)}(0)}{\text{Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs and the Chair of the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth.}$
- (ii) The designees under subdivision (b)(2)(N)(i) of this section shall be members of the General Assembly who are members of the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs or the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth Two (2) members of the General Assembly who are members of the:
- (i) House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs; or

#### (ii) Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth;

and

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(0)(P)(i) One (1) current or former member of the General Assembly who is a current or former member of the:

(a) House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs; or the

(b) Senate Interim Committee on Children and

(ii) The current or former member of the General Assembly under subdivision  $\frac{(b)(2)(0)(i)}{(b)(1)(P)(i)}$  of this section shall be appointed by the Governor.

- (2) Unless otherwise provided under this section, the members listed under subdivisions (b)(l)(A)-(P) of this section shall be selected by the Chair of the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs and the Chair of the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth in consultation with members of the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs and the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth.
- (3) The members of the Child Maltreatment Investigations
  Oversight Committee annually shall elect from their legislative membership
  the Chair of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee.
- SECTION 10. SPECIAL LANGUAGE CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code  $\S$  10-3-3202(d), concerning the selection, discussion, evaluation, and review of child maltreatment cases by the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee, is amended to read as follows:
- (d)(l) $\underline{(A)}$  The Chair of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee shall guide the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee in its discussion, evaluation, and review of the:
- (A)(i) Conduct of child maltreatment investigations completed by the Division of Children and Family Services of the Department of Human Services or the Crimes Against Children Division of the Department of Arkansas State Police; and

 $\frac{(B)(ii)}{(B)}$  Service delivery to children and families involved in an investigation of child maltreatment.

(2) Guidance from the Chair of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee under subdivision (d)(1) of this section shall include without limitation:

 $\frac{\text{(A)}(i)}{\text{(i)}} \quad \text{Selection of closed child maltreatment cases} \\ \text{to be considered by the } \frac{\text{(Child Maltreatment Investigations)}}{\text{(Oversight Committee)}} \\ \text{(A)}(i) \quad \text{(i)} \quad \text{(i)}$ 

(B)(ii) Criteria by which to evaluate the conduct of child maltreatment investigations and service delivery under subdivisions  $(d)(1)(A)(\underline{i})$  and  $(B)(\underline{i})$  of this section.

(2) A member of the General Assembly may submit a case to the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee for discussion, evaluation, and review.

SECTION 11. SPECIAL LANGUAGE — CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code  $\S$  10-3-3202 is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

- (f) The following persons may attend a meeting of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee:
- (1) No more than three (3) employees of the Division of Children and Family Services of the Department of Human Services who are selected by the Director of the Division of Children and Family Services or by his or her designee who may be selected under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section;
- (2) No more than three (3) employees of the Crimes Against
  Children Division of the Department of Arkansas State Police who are selected
  by the Commander of the Crimes Against Children Division or by his or her
  designee who may be selected under subdivision (b)(1)(B) of this section;
- (3) No more than two (2) members of the General Assembly who are:
- (A) Not members of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee; and
- (B) Selected by the Chair of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee; and
- (4)(A) A member of the General Assembly who submits a case to the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee for discussion, evaluation, and review.
- (B) A member of the General Assembly who submits a case to the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee shall not participate in any discussion, evaluation, or review of the case that occurs during a meeting of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee.
- SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 10-3-3203(a), concerning the meetings of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee being exempt from public observance under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, is amended to read as follows:
- (a) Meetings Except as otherwise provided under § 10-3-3202(f), the meetings of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee are closed and are exempt from public observance under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.
- SECTION 13. SPECIAL LANGUAGE CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 10-3-3203(c), concerning the nondisclosure requirements applicable to the members of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee, is amended to read as follows:
- (c)(l) A member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight

  Committee may have access to and may disclose any child maltreatment record
  to the extent authorized by:
  - (A) This subchapter;
  - (B) The Child Maltreatment Act, § 12-18-101 et seq.; and
  - (C) Any other law of this state concerning child

### maltreatment records.

(c)(3) and (4) of this section, members a member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee shall not disclose to any other person any confidential information:

- (A) Any child maltreatment record obtained during or in relation to a meeting of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee; and
- (B) The details of a discussion related to any child maltreatment record that occurs during or in relation to a meeting of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee.
- (2)(3) A legislative member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee, acting in his or her official capacity, may disclose confidential information from a child maltreatment record that is obtained under this section to:
  - (A)(i) Members of the General Assembly.
- (ii) However, disclosure shall not be made to any public committee or legislative body; and
- (B) The Governor and the Governor's authorized staff members.
- (4) Information obtained under this section may be disclosed to the Governor by a member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee who serves on the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee as:
- (i) The representative from the Governor's office selected by the Governor under § 10-3-3202(b)(1)(C); or
- (ii) The current or former member of the General Assembly appointed by the Governor under § 10-3-3202(b)(1)(P)(ii).
- SECTION 14. SPECIAL LANGUAGE CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 12-18-104(c), concerning the disclosure and discussion of confidential data, records, reports, or documents, is amended to read as follows:
- (c) This section does not prohibit the disclosure and discussion of confidential Confidential data, records, reports, or documents created, collected, or compiled by or on behalf of the Department of Human Services, the Department of Arkansas State Police, or other entity authorized under this chapter to perform investigations or provide services to children, individuals, or families may be:
- (1) Disclosed to and discussed with a member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee; and
- SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code 12-18-909(d)(5), concerning the disclosure and discussion of confidential data, records, reports, or documents, is amended to read as follows:
- of confidential Confidential data, records, reports, or documents created, collected, or compiled by or on behalf of the Department of Human Services, the Department of Arkansas State Police, or other entity authorized under this chapter to perform investigations or provide services to children, individuals, or families may be:
- (A) Disclosed to and discussed with a member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee; and

 $\underline{\mbox{(B) Disclosed and discussed}}$  in closed meetings conducted by the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee under  $\mbox{\sc 10-3-3201}$  et seq.

SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE — CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 12-18-910(d)(4), concerning the disclosure and discussion of confidential data, records, reports, or documents, is amended to read as follows:

- of confidential Confidential data, records, reports, or documents created, collected, or compiled by or on behalf of the Department of Human Services, the Department of Arkansas State Police, or other entity authorized under this chapter to perform investigations or provide services to children, individuals, or families may be:
- (A) Disclosed to and discussed with a member of the Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee; and

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTIONs of the bill.

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and	
By: Senator A. Clark	
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2	91st General Assembly A Bill	L	
3	Fiscal Session, 2018		SENATE BILL 29
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5	By: Joint Budget Committee		
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7	For An Act To Be	e Entitled	
8	AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION	FOR PERSONAL SERV	/ICES
9	AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE	DEPARTMENT OF HUMA	AN
10	SERVICES - DIVISION OF CHILDREN	AND FAMILY SERVICE	CES
11	FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE	30, 2019; AND FOR	R
12	OTHER PURPOSES.		
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15	Subtitle		
16	AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT	OF HUMAN	
17	SERVICES - DIVISION OF CHI	LDREN AND	
18	FAMILY SERVICES APPROPRIAT	TION FOR THE	
19	2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR.		
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22	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF TH	E STATE OF ARKANS	AS:
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24	SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATI	ONS. There is he	reby established
25	for the Department of Human Services - Divi		
26	Services for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the		
27	regular employees.	3	
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29		1	Maximum Annual
30		Maximum	Salary Rate
31	Item Class	No. of	Fiscal Year
32	No. Code Title	Employees	2018-2019
33	(1) NO21N DHS DEPUTY DIRECTOR - DCFS	1	GRADE SE01
34	(2) LO38C REGISTERED NURSE	1	GRADE MP01
35	(3) N121N DHS/DCFS DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS14
36	(4) N134N DHS/DCFS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	2	GRADE GS14
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programs of the Department of Human Services - Division of Children and Family Services - Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

5	ITEM		FISCAL YEAR
6	NO.		2018-2019
7	(1)	REGULAR SALARIES	\$44,332
8	(2)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	15,107
9	(3)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
10		(A) OPER. EXPENSE	17,770
11		(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
12		(C) PROF. FEES	0
13		(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
14		(E) DATA PROC.	0
15	(4)	CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION	
16		GRANTS AND AID/LOANS	197,029
17		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	\$274,238

SECTION 8. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.