

## **EXHIBIT C**

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January 5, 2017

The Honorable John Cooper The Honorable Les Eaves ALC- Personnel Committee

**DENNIS MILLIGAN** 

TREASURER

## Chairmen:

I am respectfully requesting a new position via A.A.C. 21-5-225- Treas Chief Information Technology Officer at a salary line item maximum of \$97,400.

In December, we were informed our information technology consultant, Edgewater Technologies, they would be under new ownership and shifting their business model. As a result of this decision our content expert was not retained by the new company.

We have been presented with an opportunity to hire the developer and content expert on our staff full time, however at this time we do not have a position open in the salary range necessary for this individual's education and work experience. As background, this individual was the developer who designed and implemented the Treasury Management System currently in use since 2005-2006 (ARTMS), and has been the primary contact and content specialist for it since then. Our Treasury Management System is a critical component to all of our operations. Any malfunction in that system could lead to delays or a shutdown of treasury operations.

As you can understand we are in a unique opportunity and one that has a great sense of urgency and timeliness to it, which is why we are requesting this position via the method identified above. It is my understanding that I cannot surrender or eliminate one of my current positions at this time, so in order to ensure no increase in expenditures for my office's operations, I am committing to not fill the currently open Q351U Treas Manager V slot between now and the end of the fiscal year. I will also ensure we return the increased amount in our salaries that would result from this change if approved at the end of the fiscal year (approximately \$31,090). Further, I am submitting a letter to the Joint Budget Committee requesting an amendment to my FY19 appropriations eliminating a Treas Manager V position, continuing the Treas Chief Information Technology Officer position and offsetting the increase salaries line item with a reduction to the operation line item, which will result in no increase to my overall appropriations nor an increase in personnel.

To continue to put this into perspective maintenance costs for ARTMS for FY17 were \$158,848.25 and currently costs through the end of December were \$115,962.50. This would afford us the ability to bring this function internal to the office, ensure dedicated 24 hour monitoring and maintenance, and at an overall reduced expense to the taxpayers of Arkansas.

Thank you for your consideration into this matter.

Dennis Milligan

Sincerely, Vensus Milligan

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