

**2017 - 2019 REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LANGUAGE IN APPROPRIATION ACT**

**0011 Legislative Research, Bureau of**

**ACT#: 79**

**SECTION#: 8**

**CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH AGENCY REQUEST)**

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

TRANSFER PROVISION - LINE ITEMS. The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research is hereby authorized to direct the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to transfer appropriation between line items within appropriations and also between the appropriations made by this Act in such amounts as determined necessary.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~ 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

NO EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

COST OF LIVING INCREASES. Employees of the Bureau of Legislative Research assigned to positions having a labor grade shall be eligible for cost-of-living increases on July 1, in an amount equal to that granted to all other state agency, board, commission or institution of higher education employees on those dates. Any additional adjustments in annual salary rates for Bureau employees, labor market adjustments, merit pay adjustments or employee retention or recruitment requirements shall be made at the discretion of the Director of the Bureau. Salary payments shall not be restricted to maximum amounts authorized by law, if the salary adjustments exceed the maximum line item amount authorized by law for a position, the amount shall be paid to the employee as a lump-sum payment.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~ 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

NO EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

DISBURSING OFFICER. The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research of the Legislative Council shall be the disbursing officer for the funds appropriated by this Act, including the Interim Committee Study Expenses. The Director shall appoint a designee who shall serve as the disbursing officer in his/her absence. In the event there is no Director, the Co-Chairs of the Arkansas Legislative Council can appoint a disbursing officer. All expenditures from the appropriations provided by this Act shall be in accordance with procedures established by the Legislative Council and in accordance with appropriate law.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, ~~2016~~ 2017 through June 30, ~~2017~~ 2018.

NO EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 10-3-303 is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:  
(h)(1) The bureau may employ outside legal counsel as deemed necessary by the director after receiving prior approval of the Executive Subcommittee of the Legislative Council. (2) If the Executive Subcommittee of the Legislative Council approves the employment of outside legal counsel by the bureau, no additional approval is required.

NO EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION