

**2023 - 2025 REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LANGUAGE IN APPROPRIATION ACT**

**0009 Legislative Audit**

**ACT#: 55**

**SECTION#: 3**

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

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code Title 10, Chapter 4, Subchapter 4, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

NO EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

10-4-430. Transfers of appropriation.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the Legislative Auditor may direct the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to transfer appropriation between the line items of the Operations section of the operative appropriation act for Arkansas Legislative Audit in amounts as are determined to be necessary.

(b) The Regular Salaries line item in the Operations section of the operative appropriation act for Arkansas Legislative Audit shall not be increased or decreased by a transfer under subsection (a) of this section until the transfer is reviewed by the:

(1) Legislative Council; or

(2) Joint Budget Committee, if the General Assembly

is in session.

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

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code Title 10, Chapter 4, Subchapter 4, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

NO EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

10-4-431. Salaries - Arkansas Legislative Audit.

(a) Any adjustments in annual salary rates for employees, labor market adjustments, merit pay adjustments, or employee retention or recruitment requirements shall be made at the discretion of the Legislative Auditor.

(b)(1) In addition to other salary payments under this section, the Legislative Auditor may implement a merit program to reward employees for exceptional service.

(2) The merit program under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be approved by the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee before implementation of the merit program.

(c) In order that exceptionally well-qualified personnel may be recruited and retained, Arkansas Legislative Audit may exceed the maximum salary levels by no more than twenty percent (20%) for no more than one-third (1/3) of the positions authorized in its operative appropriation act after receiving approval from the:

(1) Legislative Council; or

(2) Joint Budget Committee, if the General Assembly is in session.

(d) Salary payments under this section shall not be restricted to maximum amounts authorized by law.

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**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code Title 10, Chapter 4, Subchapter 4, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

10-4-432. Funds received in connection with Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Act.

Funds received by Arkansas Legislative Audit for performing its duties under the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Act, § 23-114-101 et seq., shall be deposited into the State Central Services Fund to be utilized solely by Arkansas Legislative Audit in performing those duties.

NO EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION