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Dear Commissions, please do not reward this governor and other elected officials with a 3% pay increase. There are many pressing budgetary needs such as teachers pay, state employee pay, and repairing or expanding prison space.

State employees have received two pay adjustments over the last 16 years, but inflation has grown at a ridiculous rate, therefore these employees are struggling to pay their mortgages, rent, utilities and buy food for their families. They work very hard and many hours, dealing with all the needs of the citizens of Arkansas, but have been ignored and forgotten. Please let these funds be used in a more rewarding way.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my input.

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