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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

October 6, 1994

TO: Mr. James R. Klauser, Secretary
Department of Administration

FROM: Senator Joe Leean
Representative Barbara J. Linton
Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Finance

We have reviewed the request from the Department of Administration dated September 16, 1994 under s. 16.515 and s. 16.505(2) pertaining to the request by the Board on Aging and Long-Term Care.

There were no objections to this request and accordingly it has been approved.

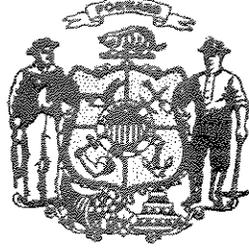
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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

September 19, 1994

TO: JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE MEMBERS

FROM: Senator Joe Leean
Representative Barbara J. Linton
Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Finance

Attached is a copy of a request from the Department of Administration dated September 16, 1994 pursuant to s.16.515 and s.16.505(2) pertaining to a request from the Board on Aging and Long-Term Care.

Please review this item and notify Senator Leean's office not later than Monday, October 3, 1994 if you have any concerns about the request or would like the Committee to meet formally to consider it.

Also, please contact us if you need additional information.

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Attachments

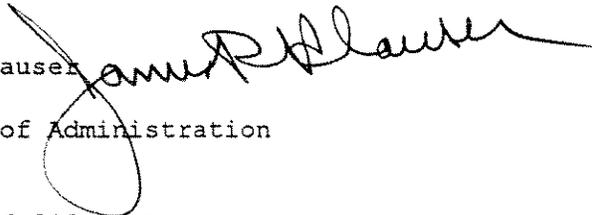
CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM

STATE OF WISCONSIN
Department of Administration

Date: Sep. 16, 1994

To: Honorable Joseph Leraan, Co-Chair
Honorable Barbara J. Linton, Co-Chair

From: James R. Klausen
Secretary
Department of Administration



Subject: s. 16.515/16.505(2) Requests

Enclosed are requests which have been approved by this department under the authority granted in s. 16.515 and s. 16.505(2). The explanation for each request is included in the attached materials. Listed below is a summary of each item:

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>1993-94</u>		<u>1994-95</u>	
		<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FTE</u>
B.O.A.L.T.C. 20.432(1)(k)	Contracts With State Agencies			\$ 46,100	1.0*

* Extension of project position.

As provided in s. 16.515, this request will be approved on Oct. 7, 1994, unless we are notified prior to that time that the Joint Committee on Finance wishes to meet in formal session about this request.

Please contact Roger Grossman at 266-1072, or the analyst who approved the request in the Division of State Executive Budget and Planning, if you have any additional questions.

Attachments:

CORRESPONDENCE MEMORANDUM

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
Department of Administration**

Date: September 2, 1994
To: James R. Klauser, Secretary
Department of Administration
From: Gretchen A. Fossum, Budget Analyst
Division of Executive Budget and Policy *SAF*
Subject: s.16.505/16.515 Request by the Board on Aging and Long-Term Care

REQUEST

The Board on Aging and Long-Term Care (BOALTC) requests an increase of \$46,100 PRS in expenditure authority in s.20.432(1)(k), contracts with state agencies.

ANALYSIS

BOALTC provides Medicare eligible individuals information on a variety of insurance products through the Medigap hotline. This function of the Board is funded through the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance. In addition, the Board received funding from a two-year federal Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) insurance information grant to reduce backlogs in the Medigap hotline program through the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS). The HCFA grant funds a two year project position (January 1993 through December 1994) and a second toll-free line. The Board will be receiving an additional \$38,100 from the HCFA grant for the period January 1994 through September 1995.

BOALTC is requesting an increase in expenditure authority of \$38,100 and an extension of the project position through September 1995. While the backlog has been reduced to under two weeks, the Board is experiencing an increase in the number of requests for insurance information. The following table details the Board's expenditure request:

Salary	\$20,000
Fringe	7,100
Telephone	5,000
Rent	2,700
Other Supplies	3,300
Total	\$38,100

The BOALTC receives an annual sub-grant of federal Older Americans Act funding from DHSS which partially funds the state's ombudsman program. Additional one-time funds of \$8,000 are available for the Board's use in FY95. BOALTC is requesting an increase in expenditure authority for the purchase of computers for two new Ombudsmen authorized in Act 16 and for the purchase of printers, a fax machine and a copier add-on to complete an office automation project begun in FY94.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the request.



STATE OF WISCONSIN
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George F. Potaracke
 Executive Director

8/22/94

To: Gretchen Fossum, Budget Analyst
 Department of Administration

From: George F. Potaracke, Executive Director *GF*
 Board on Aging and Long Term Care

Re: s. 16.505/16.515 Request

The Board on Aging and Long Term Care requests an increase of \$46,100 PRS in expenditure authority in s.20.432 (1)(k), contracts with state agencies, and position authority for one FTE project position.

The Board receives a grant from the federal Older Americans Act through the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) which supports in part the Board's ombudsman program. The Board has also been awarded funding from the federal Health Care Financing Administration through DHSS to support the Medigap Helpline. There are \$46,100 available from these two funding sources to support this request.

MEDIGAP HELPLINE

The Board requests authority to continue a current project position for the Medigap Helpline through September 30, 1995. Existing authority extends to December 31, 1994. The cost of this request is \$38,100.

The budget lines for this request (January-September, 1995) are:

Salary	20,071
Fringe	7,101
Supplies*	10,950

* This includes funding of a second '800' telephone

Position Justification: This position was originally authorized to assist the existing program staff to deal with a chronic backlog of customers seeking insurance counselling. As part of the grant the Board also installed a second incoming toll-free telephone line to accommodate more callers who reported frustration with reaching a 'busy signal'.

The additional counselor was hired April, 1993. The backlog has been reduced from roughly four weeks in waiting time to under two weeks consistently and often below one

Advocate for the long term care consumer.

week. The second phone line allows more callers to reach the service and therefore aggravates the program's attempts to reduce the backlog even further. In addition the program maintains its statutory commitment to provision of training for community groups, especially county-based elderly benefit specialists.

The following program statistics provide a view of activity for twelve months prior to the expansion and twelve months after the additional phone line and additional counselor was brought on staff:

	4/92-3/93	4/93-3/94
Average Number of Persons Counselled per Month	425	605
Average Number of Persons Requesting Printed Materials Only	750	910
Average Number of Callers Referred (OCI, Benefit Specialists, etc)	?	28
AVERAGE MONTHLY TOTAL	1175	1543

There appears to be no reduction in the demand for this service from older consumers of health insurance products in Wisconsin. This request will maintain the Board's ability to continue current levels of program activities.

OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM

The Board requests \$8,000 one-time funding authority to purchase computer equipment, replacement of certain obsolete computer printers, and add-on equipment for the central office photocopier. During FY 94, the Board was able to computerize its operations using PRS funds available at that time. This request would equip two new FTE (ombudsmen) hired July, 1994. This is part of the Board's strategic plan for technology improvement.

Specific budget lines for this request are:

Supplies (items under \$1,000)	3,200	
Permanent (items over \$1,000)	<u>4,800</u>	
		\$8,000

A detailed equipment list is attached.

I appreciate your review and approval of this request.

EQUIPMENT PURCHASING FY '95

BOALTC
AUGUST 16, 1994

EAU CLAIRE	PRINTER	HP DESKJET 500C	#15-39340-401	342.00
GREEN BAY	PRINTER	HP DESKJET 500C	#15-39340-401	342.00
RHINELANDER (NEW POSITION)	COMPUTER NOTEBOOK	ZPR-4834-KI ZENITH GOVT Z-SYAR 433V LAPTOP	#15-39100-301	2,175.00
	MODEM	MEGAHERTZ XJ196FM	#15-30340-401	246.00
	PRINTER	HP DESKJET 500C	#15-39340-401	342.00
	MISC EQUIPMENT/INSTALLATION			100.00
MADISON	DOCUMENT FEEDER: MITA COPIER		#15-71100-401	878.00
	SORTER: MITA COPIER		#15-71100-401 (20 BIN)	1,095.00
MILWAUKEE (NEW POSITION)	COMPUTER	ZSL-1448-KO ZENITH GOVT Z-SELECT Z4550X MODEL 245	#15-39100-301	1,558.00
	MONITOR	ZCM-1450-UT ZENITH GOVT ZENITH 14" high resolution multi-sync		421.00
	FAX	BROTHER 740	#1571050301	494.00
TOTAL				\$7,993.00