

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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Because the amendment permits the department of employe trust funds (DETF) to “make every reasonable effort” to contract for administrative services until June 30, 2002, I changed the latest possible start-up date for the program from January 1, 2002, to June 30, 2002. Is this OK?

Because DETF is the state agency charged with entering into contracts for the provision of administrative services under the program, and not the private employer health care coverage board, I provided that DETF must submit a report to the joint committee on finance specifying DETF’s reasons for not entering into a contract for the provision of administrative services under the program. Also, it is unclear from the instructions if DETF, after it submits the report, must begin to provide the administrative services for the program or if DETF must wait for joint committee on finance approval before it may begin providing the administrative services for the program. In the amendment, I provided that DETF, after it submits the report, must begin to provide the administrative services for the program. Is this your intent?

Because it is possible that the grant may not be awarded during the 1999–2001 biennium, I deleted the repeal of the appropriation from which the grant will be funded. If the grant is not awarded during the 1999–2001 biennium, the moneys will lapse to the general fund at the close of the 2001 fiscal year. As a result, the grant moneys will need to be appropriated again for award during the 2001–03 biennium.

If you have any questions about this amendment, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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