DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

August 19, 2005

Rep. Wieckert:

Please note the following about this bill:

1. Because I created a new section in ch. 16, rather than including the bill's requirements in s. 16.957, it isn't necessary to make any changes to DOA's contracting authority under s. 16.957 (3) (b). (John Stolzenberg had raised an issue regarding the performance criteria in DOA's contracts under s. 16.957 (3) (b).)

2. The bill requires DOA to contract with nonprofit corporations to administer the loan program. However, the bill does not address payment of the corporations' expenses. How do you want to address this issue?

3. In general, the bill has a delayed effective date of approximately one year. However, DOA must submit proposed rules to Legislative Council approximately six months before the delayed effective date. Also, the transfer from the utility public benefits fund takes place in fiscal year 2006–07 (which begins July 1, 2006). As a result, the money should be transferred and available by the time the rules are in effect. Are these provisions okay?

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