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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Alberta Darling
Representative John Nygren

Date: December 30, 2019

Re: DOA Report to JFC

Attached is a report on temporary reallocation of balances from the Department of Administration, pursuant to s. 20.002(11)(f), Stats.

This report is being provided for your information only. No action by the Committee is required. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Attachments

AD: JN: jm
December 30, 2019

Mr. Jeffrey Renk, Chief Clerk
Wisconsin Senate
E20 South, State Capitol
Madison, WI  53702

Mr. Patrick Fuller, Chief Clerk
Wisconsin Assembly
17 West Main Street, Room 401A
Madison, WI  53703

Dear Mr. Renk and Mr. Fuller:

This report is transmitted as required by s. 20.002(11)(f), Wisconsin Statutes, (for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172(3), Wisconsin Statutes) and confirms that the Department of Administration has found it necessary to exercise the "temporary reallocation of balances" authority provided by this section in order to meet payment responsibilities and cover resulting negative cash balances during the month of November 2019.

On November 1, 2019, the Medical Assistance Trust Fund cash balance closed at a negative $189.88 million (its intramonth low). The cash balance was negative until November 18, 2019, when it closed at a positive $52.86 million.

On November 1, 2019, the Worker's Compensation Fund cash balance closed at a negative $2.68 million. The cash balance was negative until November 19, 2019, when it closed at a positive $2.00 million. On November 4, 2019, the cash balance closed at a negative $2.72 million (its intramonth low).

On November 18, 2019, the Utility Public Benefits Fund cash balance closed at a negative $655 thousand. The cash balance was negative through November 30, 2019, when it closed at a negative $13.57 million. On November 20, 2019, the cash balance closed at a negative $17.07 million (its intramonth low).

On November 18, 2019, the Police and Fire Protection Fund cash balance closed at a negative $22.09 million (its intramonth low). The cash balance was negative through November 30, 2019, when it closed at a negative $19.52 million.

The Medical Assistance Trust Fund, Workers Compensation Fund, Utility Public Benefits Fund, and Police and Fire Protection Fund shortfalls were due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures. The shortfalls were not in excess of the statutory interfund borrowing limitations and did not exceed the balances of the funds available for interfund borrowing.
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The distribution of interest earnings to investment pool participants is based on the average daily balance in the pool and each fund’s share. Therefore, the monthly calculation by the State Controller’s Office will automatically reflect the use of these temporary reallocations of balance authority, and as a result, the funds requiring the use of the authority will effectively bear the interest cost.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Joel T. Brennan
Secretary