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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Howard Marklein
Representative Mark Born

Date: October 31, 2023

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

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

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October 31, 2023

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Dear Mr. Champagne and Mr. Blazel:

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 September 2023. The source of the Interfund Borrowing coverage is the Budget Stabilization Fund.

On September 1, 2023, the **Worker's Compensation Fund** cash balance closed at a negative \$74 thousand. The cash balance was negative through September 30, 2023, when it closed at a negative \$806 thousand (its intramonth low).

On September 21, 2023, the **Hospital Assessment Fund** cash balance closed at a negative \$12.4 million (its intramonth low). The cash balance remained negative through September 27, 2023, when it closed at a positive balance of \$18.8 million.

The Worker's Compensation Fund and Hospital Assessment 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.

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,

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