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Memorandum

To: The Honorable Raymond E. Gallison, Jr.
Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable Daniel DaPonte
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

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Date: May 23, 2014

Subject: Amendments to the FY 2015 Appropriations Act (13-H-7133)

The Governor requests that the Article 26 – Relating to Children, Youth and Families be withdrawn in its entirety. The Governor’s recommended budget estimated net savings of \$529,392, which was comprised of savings in the Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) of \$1,130,832, offset by an increase in funding in the Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals (BHDDH) of \$601,440. As shown on the attached, the Governor requests that the savings in DCYF be restored and the additional funding added to the BHDDH budget be withdrawn.

These restored savings will be offset by a plan for DCYF, in cooperation with the Office of Health and Human Services, to obtain new Medicaid reimbursement for certain services provided by the Department to its clients. These new savings, totaling \$529,547, are also reflected in the attached and would impact the DCYF budget only. The eligible services provided by the Department to children and families are “wraparound” services intended to ensure a coordinated approach to improve outcomes for children residing in residential programs and to provide support to their families to maintain a stable environment within their home setting as children are returning home. These services, which involve teams comprised of Care Coordinators, Family Support Partners and a Supervisor/Coach, will receive Medicaid matching funds as of July 1, 2014. The estimated savings are based on the additional Medicaid match that will offset general revenue expenditures.

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If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please feel free to call me or my staff at 222-6300.

TAM:14-Amend-Art 26
Attachments

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Governor's Article 1, Section 1 Article 26 Amendments to FY 2015 Appropriations Act (14-H-7133)

| | Page No./ Line No. | FY 2015 Original Submittal | Withdraw Article 26 Amendment | FY 2015 Revised Recommend |
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| Department of Children, Youth, and Families | | | | |
| Child Welfare | | | | |
| General Revenue - 18 to 21 Year Olds | Page 13, Line 21 | 9,703,340 | 601,285 | 10,304,625 |
| Total General Revenue | Page 13, Line 22 | 114,119,487 | 601,285 | 114,720,772 |
| Federal Funds - 18 to 21 Year Olds | Page 13, Line 25 | 1,342,963 | 927,189 | 2,270,152 |
| Federal Funds Total | Page 13, Line 27 | 47,534,914 | 927,189 | 48,462,103 |
| Grand Total- General Revenue | Page 14, Line 3 | 148,415,637 | 601,285 | 149,016,922 |
| Grand Total - Children, Youth, and Families | Page 14, Line 4 | 209,217,229 | 927,189 | 210,144,418 |
| Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities, and Hospitals | | | | |
| Program | | | | |
| General Revenue | Page 17, Line 18 | 111,424,765 | (601,440) | 110,823,325 |
| Federal Funds | Page 17, Line 19 | 112,972,476 | (211,488) | 112,760,988 |
| Grand Total - General Revenue | Page 18, Line 18 | 201,791,368 | (601,440) | 201,189,928 |
| Grand Total - BHDDH | Page 18, Line 20 | 444,026,610 | (812,928) | 443,213,682 |

