Analysis of Finance Advisory Committee Meeting Items

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FAC 2011-10 Attorney General						
Proposed FAC Transfer						
Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions ¹	FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	Available Funding Post-FAC Action	
Personal Services	28,103,641	(225,448)	(500,000)	-	27,378,193	
Other Expenses	1,019,272	(363,716)	-	500,000	1,155,556	
		TOTAL	(500,000)	500,000		

• <u>Personal Services</u>- The agency has controlled the refilling of positions to manage the available funding and has also accrued savings from leaves of absence which result in approximately \$500,000 in Personal Services funding available for transfer. The agency has filled six of eleven funded vacant positions since the beginning of the fiscal year.

Funding is needed in these accounts due to the following:

• <u>Other Expenses</u>- The FY 11 appropriation for Other Expenses to the Office of Attorney General is \$1,019,641. This is subject to a holdback of \$363,716 resulting in \$655,556 in available funding. This figure is less than 45% of the FY 09 level and will not support the agency's current operations.

Holdback and Lapses

The transfer from Personal Services to Other Expenses will not affect the agency's ability to meet the holdbacks of \$225,448 in Personal Services or \$363,716 in Other Expenses.

¹ Prior policy actions may include holdbacks (forced lapses), rescissions, de-appropriations, and transfers.

FAC 2011-11 Department of Public Utility Control							
	Proposed FAC Transfer						
Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions	FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	Available Funding Post-FAC Action		
Personal Services	11,594,389	-	(101,486)	-	11,492,903		
Equipment	57,475	-	(30,000)	-	27,475		
Other Expenses	1,584,642	-	-	131,486	1,716,128		
		TOTAL	(131,486)	131,486			

- <u>Personal Services</u> The agency is expecting to lapse approximately \$1 million in Personal Services. DPUC has lapsed at least \$1 million in each of the past six fiscal years.
- <u>Equipment</u> While the agency budgeted for certain computer upgrades in the Equipment account, this funding must be paid through the Other Expenses account, as required for computer equipment under \$1,000.

Funding is needed in these accounts due to the following:

• <u>Other Expenses</u> - The requested funding is needed to purchase 117 desktop computers; one for each full-time position. The total cost for the computers is \$93,600. In addition, the agency will be upgrading the operating system platform to Microsoft 7 from Microsoft XP. The cost for this upgrade is \$37,886.

Holdback and Lapses

The agency has no holdbacks in Personal Services or Equipment.

FAC 2011-12 Department of Transportation						
Proposed FAC Transfer						
Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions	FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	Available Funding Post-FAC Action	
Personal Services	148,049,749	7,864,212	(4,258,000)	-	151,655,961	
Other Expenses	46,926,685	4,470,000	-	4,258,000	55,654,685	
		TOTAL	(4,258,000)	4,258,000		

• <u>Personal Services</u> - This temporary transfer from Personal Services (PS) to Other Expenses (OE) will result in a shortfall in PS which must be mitigated before the end of April in order for DOT to meet its PS obligations for FY 12. It is anticipated that the transfer from PS to OE will be replenished through a deficiency appropriation in order for DOT to meet its PS obligations.

Funding is needed in these accounts due to the following:

- <u>Other Expenses</u> The requested funding is required to:
 - 1. Replenish inventories (salt and liquid chloride).
 - 2. Repair fleet and snow removal equipment.
 - 3. Compensate winter truck contractors that supplement DOT's fleet.
 - 4. Reimburse for emergency snow removal from the rooftops of more than 100 facilities and unbudgeted contract costs related to snow removal at DOT facilities.

The table below indicates that the agency's budget for snow and ice expenses has been exhausted before the end of February.

SNOW & ICE BUDGET FY 11					
		Budget	E	xpended YTD	%
Number of Storms		13		(2/23/11) 12	92%
Highway Snow & Ice Budget	\$	26,604,438	\$	29,803,935	112%
Commodities & Truck Rental Overtime Regular Salaries	\$ \$ \$	11,657,871 10,681,871 4,264,696 26,604,438	\$ \$ \$	14,098,729 10,824,659 4,880,548 29,803,935	121% 101% 114% 112%
General Aviation Airports Total DOT - STF	\$	185,758 26,790,196	\$ \$	199,957 30,003,893	108% 112%

Questions:

- Is the \$4.258 million amount sufficient to cover snow and ice expenses through the end of March?
- How much were the expenditures for snow and ice removal off rooftops?

Holdback and Lapses:

Historically, the Department has not been allocated any specific holdbacks or targeted lapse savings. However, the Special Transportation Fund is required to achieve unspecified savings of approximately \$11.0 million for FY 11. Currently, \$14.8 million in savings has been identified primarily from debt service (\$14.0 million) as a result of lower interest rates and through operating efficiencies within the Department of Motor Vehicles (\$0.8 million).

FAC 2011-13 Teachers' Retirement Board							
Proposed FAC Transfer							
Account	Original Appropriation	Prior Policy Actions	FROM (Decrease)	TO (Increase)	Available Funding Post-FAC Action		
Personal Services	1,667,745	(13,379)	(100,000)	-	1,554,366		
Other Expenses	762,674	-	-	100,000	862,674		
		TOTAL	(100,000)	100,000			

• <u>Personal Services</u> - Lower than anticipated expenditures as a result of unexpected agency vacancies. The agency began the fiscal year with three vacancies and currently has five.

Funding is needed in these accounts due to the following:

• <u>Other Expenses</u> - Requested funding is needed to pay for an unbudgeted identity protection program for Teachers' Retirement System members due to a lost encrypted flash drive in FY 10. There were 57,600 active teachers notified regarding the program. Approximately 8,500 members registered for the program at a total cost of \$523,000. This includes the cost of notification at \$0.97 per member and identity protection at \$55 per member. The FAC is needed to pay the remaining balance of the program.

Holdback and Lapses

The transfers in this FAC do not affect the holdback of 13,379 in the Personal Services account. The agency's Other Expenses holdback of \$369,762 was previously released to pay for identity protection program costs and other agency expenses.

Appendix A: Projected Account Balances for Agencies on This Agenda (After Proposed FAC Transfer(s))

Attorney General							
	<u>Appropriation²</u>	<u>Available</u> <u>Funding</u> ³	<u>Estimated</u> Expenditures	<u>Estimated</u> Surplus/(Deficiency)			
Personal Services	28,103,641	27,378,193	27,378,193	-			
Other Expenses	1,019,272	1,155,556	1,155,556	-			
Equipment	1	1	1	-			
General Fund TOTAL	29,122,914	28,533,750	28,533,750	-			

Department of Public Utility Control						
	Appropriation	<u>Available</u> <u>Funding</u>	<u>Estimated</u> Expenditures	<u>Estimated</u> Surplus/(Deficiency)		
Personal Services	11,594,389	11,492,903	10,359,327	1,133,576		
Other Expenses	1,584,642	1,716,128	1,716,128	-		
Equipment	57,475	27,475	27,475	-		
Fringe Benefits	6,733,781	6,733,781	6,479,691	254,090		
Indirect Overhead	85,872	85,872	85,872	-		
Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund TOTAL	20,056,159	20,056,159	18,668,493	1,387,666		

Department of Transportation							
	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Available</u> <u>Funding</u>	<u>Estimated</u> Expenditures	<u>Estimated</u> Surplus/(Deficiency)			
Personal Services	148,049,749	151,655,961	155,913,961	(4,258,000)			
Other Expenses	46,926,685	55,654,685	55,654,685	-			
Equipment	1,911,500	1,911,500	1,911,500	-			
Minor Capital Projects	332,500	332,500	332,500	-			
Highway and Bridge Renewal- Equipment	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	-			
Highway Planning and Research	2,819,969	2,819,969	2,819,969	-			
Rail Operations	137,901,327	133,431,327	133,431,327	-			
Bus Operations	132,955,915	132,955,915	132,955,915	-			
Highway and Bridge Renewal	12,402,843	12,402,843	12,402,843	-			
Tweed-New Haven Airport Grant	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	_			
ADA Para-transit Program	25,565,960	25,565,960	25,565,960	_			

 ² Includes appropriated accounts from all appropriated funds.
³ Includes all anticipated and enacted holdbacks (forced lapses), rescissions, de-appropriations, and transfers.

Department of Transportation						
	Appropriation	<u>Available</u> <u>Funding</u>	<u>Estimated</u> Expenditures	<u>Estimated</u> Surplus/(Deficiency)		
Non-ADA Dial-A-Ride Program	576,361	576,361	576,361	-		
Special Transportation Fund TOTAL	516,942,809	524,807,021	529,065,021	(4,258,000)		

Teachers' Retirement Board						
	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Available</u> <u>Funding</u>	<u>Estimated</u> Expenditures	<u>Estimated</u> Surplus/(Deficiency)		
Personal Services	1,667,745	1,554,366	1,528,954	25,412		
Other Expenses	762,674	862,674	1,010,086	(147,412)		
Equipment	1	1	1	-		
Retirement Contributions	581,593,215	581,593,215	581,593,215	-		
General Fund TOTAL	584,023,635	584,010,256	584,132,256	(122,000)		