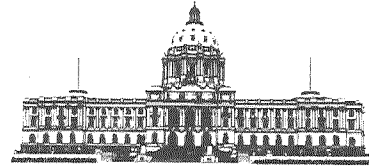


# Senator Jim Abeler

Senate District 35

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## Senate

State of Minnesota

To: Legislative Advisory Commission Members

From: Senator Jim Abeler

Re: Session Submission of American Recovery Plan Federal Funds

Date: Tuesday, March 23, 2021

Members,

As a member of the Legislative Advisory Commission, I am requesting further review of several federal fund awards from the American Recovery Plan Act of 2021 within the Department of Human Services budget.

The federal fund awards that I am requesting further review on are:

- Mental Health Block Grant, 93.958
- Substance Abuse Block Grant, 93.959
- Child Care and Development Block Grant, 93.575
- Child Care Entitlements to State, 93.596
- Child Care Stabilization Fund
- Community-Base Child Abuse Prevention, 93.590
- Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment State Grant, 93.669
- Pandemic Emergency Assistance
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Administration, 10.561
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Online Purchasing and Technology Improvements
- Elder Justice Programs, 93.747
- Family Caregivers, 93.052
- Preventive Services (Special Programs for the Aging, Aging Preventive Health), 93.043

I look forward to hearing how the administration plans to spend these funds since the information provided to the LAC completely lacked detailed information on how these funds will be spent.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Abeler', written over a horizontal line.

Senator Jim Abeler

Chair, Committee on Human Services Reform Finance and Policy Committee



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**Senate**  
State of Minnesota

To: Legislative Advisory Commission Members

From: Senator Jim Abeler

Re: Review of Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 and American Rescue Plan Act Federal Funds

Date: April 13, 2021

Members of the Legislative Advisory Commission,  
After reviewing the information provided to me by the Department of Human Services on Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, I am withdrawing my requests for further review on the following federal funds from both the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, and the American Rescue Plan Act:

- Chafee Foster Care Independence Program, CFDA #93.674
- Chafee Education and Training Vouchers Program, CFDA # 93.599
- Promoting Safe and Stable Families (Title IV-B2 Child Welfare Program, CFDA #93.556
- Child Care Entitlements to State, CFDA #93.596
- Community-Base Child Abuse Prevention, CFDA #93.590
- Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment State Grant, CFDA #93.669
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Administration, CFDA #10.561
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Online Purchasing and Technology Improvements
- Elder Justice Programs, CFDA #93.747
- Family Caregivers, CFDA #93.052
- Preventive Services (Special Programs for the Aging, Aging Preventive Health), CFDA #93.043

My request for further review on the other funds listed in my March 23<sup>rd</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup> letters still stands. I look forward to further information on how the administration proposes spending those funds.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Abeler".

Senator Jim Abeler  
Chair, Committee on Human Services Reform Finance and Policy

CC: Commissioner Jim Schowalter  
Commissioner Jodi Harpstead  
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**Senate**

State of Minnesota

March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Commissioner Jan Malcolm

Minnesota Department of Health

625 Robert Street North

St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Commissioner Malcolm,

During the Health and Human Services Finance and Policy Committee meeting on March 24<sup>th</sup>, the Minnesota Department of Health indicated that the Federal Funds submitted in the Legislative Advisory Commission notice on March 19<sup>th</sup> are changing. Under Minnesota Statute 3.3005, subdivision 2 and 2a, a state agency shall not spend federal funds unless those funds have been submitted for review by the LAC. Therefore, any change in the amount of Federal Funds previously submitted to the LAC requires a new notice to the LAC, which is especially critical when prior notices contain estimates.

As a member of the Legislative Advisory Commission, I formally request a hold of properly noticed funds submitted on March 19, 2021 under my jurisdiction as chair of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee. Any changes to the amount or planned expenditure of Federal Funding to MDH require a new notice to the Legislative Advisory Commission. Thank in advance for your cooperation and please reach out to my office if you need any further clarification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle Benson". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Senator Michelle Benson

**SENATOR MARY KIFFMEYER**

District 30

Chair: State Government Finance and Policy and Elections Committee

Vice Chair: Redistricting Committee

Finance Committee

Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee

Transportation Finance and Policy Committee



**Senate**

State of Minnesota

To: Legislative Advisory Commission Members

From: Senator Mary Kiffmeyer

Re: Review of Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Federal Funds Relating to State Government

Date: March 31, 2021

Dear Members of the Legislative Advisory Commission,

After careful review of the federal funds spending request submitted for funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act, I am formally requesting further review on two items. Specifically, I am asking for further review of the MMB non-operating requests for the State Fiscal Relief Fund and for Capital Projects for all fiscal years.

Thank you, and please let me know if you have any questions.

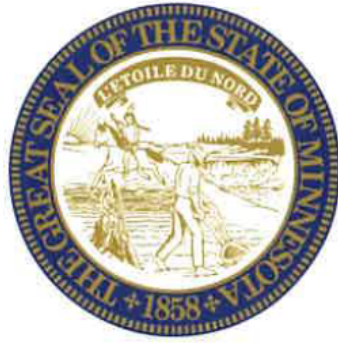
Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Kiffmeyer".

Senator Mary Kiffmeyer

Chair – Senate State Government Finance & Policy & Elections Committee

**Dave Pinto**  
District 64B



# Minnesota House of Representatives

To: Commissioner Jim Schowalter  
Minnesota Management and Budget

From: Representative Dave Pinto  
Chair, House Early Childhood Finance & Policy Committee

Re: Review of Federal Funds Relating to Early Childhood

Date: April 7, 2021

Dear Commissioner Schowalter:

After review of the federal funds spending request submitted for funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act, I hereby formally request further review of several items, pursuant to Minn. Stat. 3.3005, subd. 2a. Specifically, I am asking for further review of the requests relating to the Child Care Development Block Grant, Child Care Entitlements, and Child Care Stabilization Fund for all fiscal years.

Please let me know if you have questions. Many thanks to you and your team for all of your work for our state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dave Pinto".

Dave Pinto  
State Representative, District 64B

cc: Rep. Melissa Hortman, Speaker of the House  
Sen. Paul Gazelka, Senate Majority Leader  
Rep. Rena Moran, Chair, House Ways & Means Committee  
Sen. Julie Rosen, Chair, Senate Finance Committee  
Sen. Jim Abeler, Chair, Senate Human Services Reform Finance & Policy Committee

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**From:** Jim Davnie <Rep.Jim.Davnie@house.mn>

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 7, 2021 10:03 PM

**To:** Schowalter, Jim D (MMB) <James.Schowalter@state.mn.us>

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Commissioner Schowalter,

After review of the federal funds spending request submitted for funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act, I hereby formally request further review, pursuant to Minn. Stat.

3.3005, sub. 2a. Specifically, in education, I am asking for further review of the requests relating to the ESSER 10% set aside of \$128,244 million for all fiscal years.

Please let me know if you have questions. Many thanks to you and your team for all of your work for our state.

Representative Jim Davnie

He/him/His

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**Jim Davnie**  
State Representative

District 63A  
Hennepin County



# Minnesota House of Representatives

April 8, 2021

Commissioner Jim Schowalter  
MN Dept. of Management & Budget  
658 Cedar Street  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

Commissioner Schowalter,

After review of the federal funds spending request submitted for funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act, I hereby formally request further review of an additional item, pursuant to Minn. Stat. 3.3005, sub. 2a. Specifically, I am asking for further review of the request relating to the \$49,741 million for Special Education Grants for all fiscal years. This is in addition to my previous request to further review the ESSER 10% set aside of \$128,244 million for all fiscal years.

Please let me know if you have questions. Many thanks to you and your team for all of your work for our state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Davnie".

Jim Davnie  
State Representative, District 63A

Cc: Rep. Melissa Hortman, Speaker of the House  
Sen. Paul Gazelka, Senate Majority Leader  
Rep. Rena Moran, Chair, House Ways & Means Committee  
Sen. Julie Rosen, Chair, Senate Finance Committee  
Sen. Roger Chamberlain, Chair, Senate Education Finance & Policy Committee