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May 30, 1975

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SUBJECT: Change to General Appropriation Bill
Fiscal Year 1975-76

TO: Mr. Michael Herschok
Executive Director
Majority Appropriations Committee
House of Representatives

Mr. K. Paul Muench
Executive Director
Majority Appropriations Committee
Senate

Mr. Earl H. Brown
Executive Director
Minority Appropriations Committee
House of Representatives

Mr. William H. Clouser
Executive Director
Minority Appropriations Committee
Senate

FROM: Charles P. McIntosh
Budget Secretary

I am forwarding a memorandum from Secretary Beal dated May 15, 1975 requesting changes to the 1975-76 General Appropriation Bill which you now have.

I concur with his request to include Family Resource Service funds in the Community MH/MR Services appropriation line and suggest that, if possible, the proposed changes be made to the bill before it is introduced.

I am attaching a copy of that part of the bill which would be effected showing the proposed changes.

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Attachment

- cc: Hon. Charles P. McIntosh
- Hon. William B. McLaughlin
- ✓ Hon. Frank S. Beal
- Mr. Paul Muench
- Mr. William Clouser
- Mr. Earl Brown
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TO: The Honorable Charles P. McIntosh
Budget Secretary

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FROM: Frank S. Beal
Secretary of Public Welfare

Frank S. Beal

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This is to request two changes to the Fiscal Year 1975-76 General Appropriation Bill relating to the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Programs.

In February 1975, after a six month study, the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee released a Program Evaluation Report on the Small Unit residential Treatment Program for the Mentally Retarded. A number of recommendations were made by this Committee, and most of these are being implemented by the Department to the extent possible. Two of their recommendations involve changes to the General Appropriations Bill for Mental Health/Mental Retardation Programs.

The first concerns the title for Appropriation 57, the Small Unit Residential Treatment Program for the Mentally Retarded. Numerous titles have been given this program, such as Small Units, Group Homes, Special Living Arrangements, etc. In order to be consistent with current program planning, operations, regulations and terminology, it is requested that the title for this program be changed to Community Living Arrangements Program for the Mentally Retarded. This title will therefore coincide with the terminology currently used by the counties and in the Department's allocation process.

The second change involves the committee's recommendation that this appropriation's funds be used only for Community Living Arrangements Programs, and not Family Resource Services, the Coordinator, or the Operating Programs, as is presently being done. The Department concurs with this proposal and requests that the funds recommended for Fiscal Year 1975-1976 for the Family Resource Services, the Coordinator and the Operating Programs be transferred to the Ease Program under Appropriation 43, Community Services for the Mentally III and Mentally Retarded. All three of these programs are legitimate County service activities and should be funded through the Base Program, including the Federal augmentations which relate to operating expenses and Developmental Disabilities grants. The funds to be transferred from Appropriation 57 to Appropriation 43 are as follows:

	1975-76 Governor's <u>Recommended (15 mos.)</u>	<u>Transfer</u>	1975-76 Revised <u>Recommended (15 mos.)</u>
Appropriation 57			
State			
Community Liv Arrgmts	\$ 13,017	\$ -0-	\$ 13,017
CLA Coordinator	545	(545)	-0-
Family Resource Serv	4,930	(4,930)	-0-
Operating	570	(570)	-0-
Federal	<u>600</u>	<u>(600)</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Total	\$ 19,662	(\$6,645)	\$ 13,017
Appropriation 43			
State			
Base	\$ 100,696	\$ -0-	\$ 100,696
CLA Coordinator	-0-	545	545
Family Resource Serv	-0-	4,930	4,930
Operating	312	570	882
Federal	<u>640</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>1,240</u>
Total	\$ 101,648	\$6,645	\$ 108,293

3	hospitals.....	7,151,000
4	For the operation, maintenance and administra-	
5	tion of the State institutions for the mentally	
6	ill and the mentally retarded.....	391,918,000
7	For administration of the Mental Health and	
8	Mental Retardation Act of 1966 exclusive of con-	
9	struction of any new facilities, for payments to	
10	reimburse counties, county institution districts	
11	and private institutions for the care of mental	
12	patients boarded out by the State institutions	
13	for the mentally ill and mentally retarded.....	101,008,000
14	For grants to counties to purchase community	107,053,000
15	based residential care, treatment and training	
16	for the mentally retarded and to develop and	
17	provide specialized services for the mentally	
18	retarded.....	19,262,000
19	For assistance payments and county administra-	13,017,000
20	tion of the public assistance programs and	
21	medical assistance:	
22	Cash Assistance.....	723,060,000
23	County Administration.....	103,265,000
24	Claims Settlement.....	2,563,000
25	Medical Assistance.....	356,527,000
26	Provided, That any rule or regulation adopted	
27	by the Secretary of Public Welfare during the	
28	fiscal period 1975-76 which adds to the cost of any	
29	public assistance programs shall be effective	
30	only from and after the date upon which it is	