

V. FEDERAL FUND

A.1 Finances – FY2013 Object Transfer

Our annual state budget request includes an estimate of the total federal funds we will receive and expend in the state fiscal year beginning 10 months in the future. That estimate includes amounts for personnel, operating, capital, and trustee and benefit (T&B). Passage of our annual appropriation gives us spending authority for up to those amounts in each category, regardless of the actual amount of our LSTA allotment or other federal grants we may receive.

As has been the case for the last several years, we have spent less in personnel (11 FTE) and trustee and benefit (T&B), and require more than appropriated in operating for statewide programs. The recent IMLS National Leadership Grant for “Routes to Reading” further increased the need for spending authority in operating.

Because of this expenditure pattern, we included in our FY2014 budget request an increase in spending authority of \$224,400 in operating and an equal decrease in T&B in the federal fund. That change was approved by the Governor.

To gain maximum flexibility in anticipation of year-end closing, I am requesting approval of an object transfer in order to move any unexpended personnel and T&B balances to operating and/or capital outlay, and to move any unexpended operating funds to capital outlay for priority equipment purchases prior to the end of FY2013.

Suggested motion: I move that the FY 2013 appropriation for the federal fund be adjusted by transferring residual funds from personnel and T&B to operating and from operating to capital outlay.

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