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## FISCAL UPDATE Article

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### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING — JANUARY 7, 2019

**Meeting.** The Executive Council met on Monday, January 7, 2019. The following are highlighted agenda items approved by the Council:

- On behalf of the Department of Administrative Services, Chief Operating Officer Christy Niehaus requested approval of amendments of State Police Officers' Council insurance rates for 2019 and of Medicare rates for retirees. The Council unanimously approved the requests.
- The Council approved a request from the Attorney General's office to retain Ryan Clark of Patterson Law Firm, L.L.P., pursuant to Iowa Code section [13.3\(1\)](#), at a rate of \$140/hour for a workers' compensation case filed by a State employee.
- The Council also approved a total of approximately \$27,000 in emergency allocations for the following purposes:
  - Five supplemental emergency allocations and reimbursements totaling approximately \$2,700 to the Department of Public Safety for patrol vehicle repairs.
  - An emergency allocation and reimbursement in the amount of approximately \$24,000 to the Department of Corrections for repair of a main electrical transformer damaged by lightning on June 30, 2018.
- The Council approved a total of approximately \$40,000 in payment of cost items.

**Additional Information.** Additional information is available from the Legislative Services Agency upon request.

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