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GOVERNOR'S BUDGET HEARING — DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Budget Hearing. On November 20, 2017, Governor Kim Reynolds held a budget hearing for the Department of Justice. Attorney General Tom Miller presented the Department budget request for FY 2019 as summarized in an earlier [Fiscal Update Article](#). Additionally, Attorney General Miller discussed his work with South Dakota on the issue of online sales tax collection. South Dakota has filed a petition for a writ of certiorari with the United States Supreme Court to overturn the current restrictions on the ability of an online retailer to collect sales tax.

Department Request. The Department submitted an FY 2019 request for General Fund appropriations totaling \$15.1 million. This is an increase of \$1.1 million compared to estimated FY 2018. This increase includes:

- \$250,000 for the Office of the Attorney General.
- \$595,000 for Legal Services Poverty Grants.
- \$300,000 for Farm Mediation Services.

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