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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING — SEPTEMBER 4, 2018

Meeting. The Executive Council met on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. Treasurer of State Michael Fitzgerald was not present at the meeting. All other members attended the meeting in person or telephonically. The following are highlighted agenda items approved by the Council:

- On behalf of the Department of Human Services (DHS), Christie Templeton requested an additional Resolution of Funds totaling \$75,000 pursuant to Iowa Code section [29C.20A](#), regarding the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Disaster Emergency for Clay, Dickinson, Emmet, Kossuth, Lyon, Osceola, Palo Alto, Scott, and Story counties. These counties suffered damage from severe storms on June 20, 2018. The Council unanimously approved this request. Templeton also presented a request for an additional Resolution of Funds totaling \$750,000, pursuant to Iowa Code section [29C.20A](#), regarding the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Disaster Emergency for Boone, Dallas, Jasper, and Polk counties. These counties suffered damage from severe storms on June 30, 2018. The Council unanimously approved this request as well.
- The Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office (AG), requested retention of outside counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section [13.3\(1\)](#) in *Mary Kimball v. Woodward Resource Center, State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund of Iowa*, a workers' compensation case filed by a State employee, and in *Mark Alan Plueger v. Iowa Department of Transportation, State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund of Iowa*, also a workers' compensation case filed by a State employee. The Council unanimously approved the hiring of Patterson Law Firm, L.L.P., of Des Moines to represent the State in both of these cases.
- Additionally, the AG's Office requested authorization to employ an outside attorney on a temporary basis to assist the Office in handling a backlog of criminal appeal cases. The Council unanimously approved this request.
- The Council also unanimously approved payments of various emergency allocations totaling approximately \$83,000, including a reimbursement of approximately \$13,500 to the Department of Public Safety to cover damage to a State patrol vehicle after an accident involving a deer in Page County.
- Finally, the Council approved approximately \$36,800 in payment of various cost items, including a payment of approximately \$7,600 to Barnes and Thornburg, L.L.P., referencing an invoice from Peregrine Financial Group (PFG) Bankruptcy. Payment will be made from funds provided by the University of Northern Iowa.

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

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