CHESTER J. CULVER IOWA SECRETARY OF STATE



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TO: Joint Budget Subcommittee

FROM: Charles Krogmeier

DATE: February 9, 2005

RE: Secretary of State's FY06 Appropriations

D71 – FY06 Justification (\$69,509)

HAVA requires States' Election & Voter Registration appropriation to remain at same level as that of FY prior to November 2000 election [Public Law 107-252- October 29, 2002 42USC 15404 §254(C)(7)]. The SoS office has been able to maintain that level of funding by rolling over funds originally appropriated for the VR system upgrade in FY02. The Governor's Recommendation for FY06 does not include maintenance of effort money and the funds will not be available for roll over in FY07.

FTE – The SoS has asked for an additional FTE in Voter Services. This employee would be a permanent contract covered employee. In addition to assisting with the implementation of HAVA requirements this employee will assist with the execution of the various statutory duties of the Voter Services division, which are not HAVA related.

D73 – FY06 Justification (\$153,955)

FY05 current appropriation for D73 (\$1,615,893) does not cover salaries because the salary adjustments for FY05 were unfunded. (Unfunded salary adjustments in FY05 = \$125,000)

Operating Expenses for the office are currently being paid for with funds generated from refunds and reimbursements in addition to the DAS Distribution (\$68,119).

FY06 is a "For-Profit" Biennial Report year, which will result in an increase in postage and office supplies necessary to accomplish the mailing (envelopes, paper, toner etc). In addition more transactions (Biennial Reports) will be filed online and charged to credit cards that will result in higher bank fees for credit card transactions (602 – Other expenses)