REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL COMMITTEE TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 12, 1978

The Legislative Fiscal Committee met in the Fiscal Bureau Conference Room, September 12, 1978, with Co-chairperson Greg Cusack, presiding. The staff presented a review of the Appropriation Action Reference. The committee liked the general idea and provided suggestions concerning inclusion of legislative intent in future publications of the document. The staff will develop a process concerning legislative intent and report back to the Fiscal Committee. The Budget Projections prepared by the State Comptroller were reviewed. The upcoming budget sessions and the availability of funds were discussed. It was suggested that future projections be made including capitals.

Presentation was made concerning a different approach to the budgeting process by using a catagory of services. The Fiscal Bureau will continue to work on the development of catagories with each of the budget staff reviewing major problem areas. The Fiscal Committee will continue their discussion of State Service Systems at the October meeting and will report firm recommendations to the Legislative Council by December.