

Office Memorandum

Date: October 15, 2013

To: Governor Mark Dayton

From: Jim Schowalter, Commissioner

Subject: Request for Authorization to Use Contingent Funds for Payment of Attorney's Fees in the Litigation of Swanson, et. al. v. Dayton, et. al.

Attached for your signature is the 2014-15 Legislative Advisory Commission (LAC) Order authorizing a transfer from the General Fund Contingent Account authorized in Laws of 2013, Regular Session, Chapter 142, Article 1, Section 27.

Transfers from the General Fund Contingent Account exceeding \$10,000 require LAC review under Minnesota Statute 3.30. This review process is advisory only. The request was sent to all appropriate LAC members on October 7, 2013 for their review and recommendation, using the round-robin review process. Six members responded affirmatively, approving the recommendation.

I recommend that you authorize this transfer to settle this matter.

The LAC order authorizes the following:

The expenditure of funds in the amount of \$60,000 from the FY 2014 general fund contingent account to allow for payments of attorney's fees related to the settlement of all matters in the litigation of Swanson, et. al. v. Dayton, et. al.

Please return the signed order to Tara Barenok, of my staff, for distribution.

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Legislative Advisory Commission Action Order

For Transfer of Funds From State General Fund Contingent Account – FY 2014-15

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 3.30, Subdivision 1(c), there is hereby transferred from the General Fund Contingent Account as appropriated by the Laws of 2013, Regular Session, Chapter 142, Article 1, Section 27, a total of \$60,000 to the Bureau of Mediation Services to pay for attorney's fees related to the litigation of Swanson, et. al. v. Dayton, et. al. The funding should be transferred to the Bureau of Mediation Services settlement account (G456000).

Uctober 17, 2013 Date

Mark Dayton, Governor