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Date: 12/18/2012 6:22:24 PM
Subject: RE: Guardian Proviso

Got it – thanks again.

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From: Walker, Rhonda
Sent: Tuesday, December 18, 2012 5:39 PM
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Cc: Glover, Christine
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Christian

The exact numbers for the data below is
DSS provides \$197,808. The current contracts for attorney costs is \$704,070, so the balance to be paid would be \$506,262.

Please let me know if you need other information.

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Hey Christian,

Please note the language in red below. This probably should be removed. The GAL program represents all children; no attorneys act as guardians. The volunteer guardians are required to have an attorney. GAL has negotiated a contract with attorneys across the state to represent the guardians. The funds from CID would go toward the contract with the attorneys which exceed \$700,000 annually. DSS pays \$197,808 toward the attorney contracts. Therefore to fully pay the existing attorney contract for all attorney (less the amount by DSS) it would take \$504,192. Christian, these

amounts are estimates. I can get you the exact figures.

Christine

From: Walker, Rhonda
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payment to attorneys appointed in child abuse and neglect cases where volunteer appointments to the case cannot be made by the South Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program.

Needs to read

payment to attorneys representing volunteer guardian ad litem in child abuse and neglect cases.

From: Glover, Christine
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Help

From: Soura, Christian
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I pulled this from the FY 2007-08 enacted budget. Assuming that part of the solution for GAL includes reinstating this transfer...if we changed any "Civil Appointment Fund" references to "SC Appellate Court Rule 608 Appointment Fund"...would there be any other wording changes you'd need? Thanks.

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35.6. (INDEF: Guardian Ad Litem Appointments) The Commission on Indigent Defense is directed to transfer \$360,000 from the Civil Appointment Fund to the Governor's Office of Executive Policy and Programs, Guardian ad Litem Program for payment of attorney appointments in child abuse and neglect cases. The Commission on Indigent Defense shall allocate Civil Court Appointment funds for payment to attorneys appointed in child abuse and neglect cases where volunteer appointments to the case cannot be made by the South Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program. **The commission shall take into consideration case loads, populations, needs, etc., of the individual counties, to determine an amount needed to provide representation of the children concerned that would not be represented by those appointments funded by the \$360,000 redirected to the South Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program.** The Commission on Indigent Defense shall report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee any payments to individual guardians ad litem from funds provided from the Civil Appointment Fund.

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