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Subject: Two Legal Questions

Swati,

We have two legal questions that may affect the manner in which the Governor vetoes various components of the budget. I'd like to discuss them with you, and in a perfect world, also get an independent (written!) opinion from an objective source - BCB's legal folks, ideally.

1. What is the definition of "program budget" as this term is used in Proviso 89.10 (Transfers of Appropriations)? We understand the the Office of State Budget has historically interpreted each unique roman numeral in the budget to correspond to a distinct "program," but we wish to confirm this.

2. Precisely how is the current "established standard level set by the Budget and Control Board" defined, for purposes of applying Proviso 89.10?

Let me know when you have a second to discuss...it'll be quick. Thanks.

CLS

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