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**Date:** 5/14/2013 4:38:21 PM  
**Subject:** Re: question

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Christian - please send along suggested response.

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**From:** Mayer, Doug  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 14, 2013 04:35 PM  
**To:** Godfrey, Rob; Pitts, Ted; Soura, Christian; Baker, Josh  
**Subject:** Re: question

Adding Josh and Christian.

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**From:** Godfrey, Rob  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 14, 2013 04:16 PM  
**To:** Pitts, Ted  
**Cc:** Mayer, Doug  
**Subject:** Fw: question

Guidance?

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**From:** Beam, Adam [mailto:abeam@thestate.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 14, 2013 04:15 PM  
**To:** Godfrey, Rob  
**Subject:** question

Rob,

I'm writing a story about the budget request at the Department of Probation, Pardon and Parole.

They asked for about \$2 million to hire 33 new agents, mostly in response to sentencing reform. The governor included it in her budget, and the House approved it.

However, a pending LAC report shows the agency has \$12.5 million in "carry forward" money and vacant positions. The Senate Finance Committee rejected the PPP request. And Rep. Mike Pitts told me today he is changing his mind because of the pending LAC report.

Director Thomas at PPP says the carry forward money is earmarked for other things, like cyber security upgrades. And the vacant positions are vacant not because they are not hiring people, but because people have left for other jobs.

My question for the governor is: Does she still support this budget request?

Thanks,

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