

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

January 22, 2007

The Honorable Nancy Wyman State Comptroller 55 Elm Street Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Dear Comptroller Wyman:

The following information on the State's General Fund for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 is provided in accordance with Section 4-66 of the General Statutes. In addition, an analysis of the Special Transportation Fund is included due to the significant nature of this fund. Estimates are as of December 31, 2006. The balance in the General Fund is currently projected at \$507.8 million.

We are projecting additional requirements in the General Fund of \$25.0 million. These include: the Department of Children and Families which is anticipated to have a net deficiency of approximately \$950,000 in the Individual Family Supports account; a \$6.4 million shortfall is projected in the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services -\$2.4 million in Personal Services is related to additional hiring and overtime at Connecticut Valley Hospital, \$1.2 million in Other Expenses related to higher than budgeted repairs and maintenance costs, \$2 million in Workers' Compensation, \$700,000 in the Behavioral Health Medications account is due to increased utilization and \$120,000 in the Nursing Home Screening Account because of increased screening activities; the Department of Correction has an estimated deficiency of \$15.7 million due to an increase in prisoner population, \$10 million of the deficiency is in Personal Services due to higher than expected overtime costs, \$3.4 million is for Inmate Medical and \$2.3 million is in Other Expenses; \$450,000 in the Public Defender Services Commission for Special Public Defenders - Non-Contractual; and the Department of Administrative Services-Worker's Compensation Claims has an estimated deficiency of \$500,000, and the Department of Public Health has an estimated deficiency of \$1.0 million in Personal Services.

Projected lapses in the General Fund have increased by \$10 million in the Department of Social Services. It should be noted that the Department of Social Services is maintaining last year's benefit levels under the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP). While it is expected that sufficient federal energy assistance funds will be provided to cover program costs, the General Fund could incur an additional liability of approximately \$4.2 million if these federal funds are not made available.

This month's letter reflects an overall increase in projected revenue of \$2.6 million. We have revised downward our estimate of Sales and Use Tax by \$20.0 million, as revenue from the holiday sales period came in lower than expected. Miscellaneous revenue estimates have been revised upward by \$24.3 million due primarily to a State Employee Retirement System fringe benefits recovery amount higher than previously expected. All other adjustments net to a negative \$1.7 million.

We are projecting a deficiency in the Special Transportation Fund of \$500,000 in the Department of Administrative Services-Workers Compensation account. The estimated lapse in the Special Transportation Fund Debt Service account is projected at \$18.6 million.

This month's letter also reflects an increase of \$4.0 million in interest income revenue in the Special Transportation Fund

We recognize that if all of the identified additional requirements in the General Fund were to be appropriated, total appropriations in FY'07 would exceed the Constitutionally-mandated cap on appropriations. Accordingly, OPM will utilize various tools, including transfers, to address these shortfalls in order to present a Deficiency Bill in February that is consistent with the spending cap.

It should be noted that while these projections are the best that can be made at this time, estimates may have to be adjusted to reflect changes in the economy, expenditure patterns and/or other factors.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Genuario Secretary

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State of Connecticut Summary of Changes General Fund and Special Transportation Fund Projected to June 30, 2007 (In Millions)

General Fund

Balance - December 20, 2006		\$ 502.2
Revenues Sales and Use Miscellaneous Sales of Commodities Other Revenue-Miscellaneous Federal Grants	(20.0) 3.9 2.0 24.3 (7.6)	2.6
Expenditures Additional Requirements Additional Lapses Miscellaneous Adjustments/Rounding	(6.0) 10.0 (1.0)	3.0
Balance - January 22, 2007		\$ 507.8
Special Transportation Fund		
Balance - December 20, 2006		\$ 164.7
Revenues Interest Income		4.0
Expenditures DAS-Workers Compensation Claims Debt Service Lapse		(0.5) 7.6
Balance - January 22, 2007		\$ 175.8

State of Connecticut General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Results of Operations Projected to June 30, 2007 As of December 31, 2006 (In Millions)

	General	Revised	
	Assembly	Estimates	Over/
	Budget Plan 1.	OPM	(Under)
REVENUE			
Taxes	\$12,150.7	\$12,363.6	\$212.9
Less: Refunds	(900.0)	(883.5)	16.5
Taxes - Net	11,250.7	11,480.1	229.4
Other Revenue	1,119.3	1,230.7	111.4
Other Sources	2,628.0	2,646.2	18.2
TOTAL Revenue	\$14,998.0	\$15,357.0	\$359.0
EXPENDITURES			
Appropriations	\$14,952.1	\$14,952.1	(\$0.0)
Net Additional Requirements	0.0	25.0	25.0
Less: Estimated Lapses	(115.0)	(146.0)	(31.0)
TOTAL Expenditures	\$14,837.2	\$14,831.1	(\$6.0)
Balance from Operations	\$160.8	\$525.9	\$365.0
Miscellaneous Adjustments	0.0	(18.1)	(18.1)
Estimated Balance 6/30/07	<u>\$160.8</u>	<u>\$507.8</u>	<u>\$347.0</u>

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State of Connecticut General Fund Revenue Estimates Projected to June 30, 2007 As of December 31, 2006 (In Millions)

TAXES	
Personal Income	\$6,625.0
Sales and Use	3,487.2
Corporation	787.0
Public Service Corporations	225.9
Inheritance and Estate	164.8
Insurance Companies	274.6
Cigarettes	272.0
Real Estate Conveyance	170.0
Oil Companies	135.0
Alcoholic Beverages	46.5
Admissions and Dues	33.6
Miscellaneous	142.0
TOTAL - TAXES	\$12,363.6
Less: Refunds of Taxes	(876.0)
R & D Credit Exchange	(7.5)
TOTAL - TAXES - NET	\$11,480.1
OTHER REVENUE	
Transfers - Special Revenue	\$278.6
Indian Gaming Payments	436.7
Licenses, Permits, Fees	144.7
Sales of Commodities and Services	38.0
Rents, Fines, Escheats	46.0
Investment Income	100.0
Miscellaneous	187.3
Refunds of Payments	(0.6)
TOTAL - OTHER REVENUE	\$1,230.7

State of Connecticut - General Fund Appropriation Adjustments - Net Additional Requirements Projected to June 30, 2007 As of December 31, 2006

Department of Public Health	\$1,000,000
Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services	6,400,000
Department of Correction	15,700,000
Department of Children & Families	950,000
Public Defender Services Commission	450,000
DAS-Worker's Compensation	500,000
Total - Additional Requirements	\$25,000,000

State of Connecticut General Fund Estimated Lapses Projected to June 30, 2007 As of December 31, 2006

Legislative Unallocated Lapses	\$2,200,000
Estimated Unallocated Lapses	11,780,000
Department of Social Services	49,600,000
State Employees Health Service Cost	20,000,000
Department of Labor	1,400,000
Debt Service	36,000,000
General Personal Services Reduction	14,000,000
General Other Expenses Reductions	11,000,000
Total	\$145,980,000

State of Connecticut 2006-07 General Fund Summary of Operations Per Letter to the Comptroller (In Millions)

	Budget Plan ^{1.}	July 2006	August 2006	September 2006	October 2006	November 2006	December 2006	January 2007	February 2007	March 2007	April 2007	May 2007	June 2007
REVENUE	\$14,998.0	\$15,052.4	\$15,057.6	\$15,129.5	\$15,344.3	\$15,354.4	\$15,357.0						
Appropriations	14,952.1	14,952.1	14,952.1	14,952.1	14,952.1	14,952.1	14,952.1						
Additional Requirements	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.1	15.1	19.0	25.0						
Less: Estimated Lapses	(115.0)	(115.0)	(115.0)	(115.0)	(124.0)	(136.0)	(146.0)						
TOTAL - Estimated Expenditures	14,837.2	14,837.2	14,837.2	14,852.2	14,843.2	14,835.1	14,831.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Balance from Operations	160.8	215.2	220.4	277.3	501.1	519.3	525.9						
Compt.'s Misc. Adjustments/Rounding	0.0	(2.3)	(7.5)	(10.9)	(14.6)	(17.1)	(18.1)						
Estimated Balance 6/30/07	\$160.8	\$212.9	\$212.9	\$266.4	\$486.5	\$502.2	\$507.8	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0

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State of Connecticut Special Transportation Fund Analysis of Budget Plan Projected to June 30, 2007 As of December 31, 2006 (In Millions)

	General Assembly <u>Budget Plan</u> ^{1.}	Revised Estimates OPM ^{2.}	Over/ (Under)
Surplus Carried Forward from 2005-06	\$135.9	\$133.4	(\$2.5)
REVENUE			
Taxes	\$702.6	\$691.0	(\$11.6)
Less: Refunds of Taxes	(8.6)	(9.1)	(0.5)
Taxes - Net	694.0	681.9	(12.1)
Other Revenue	411.5	409.6	(1.9)
TOTAL - Revenue	\$1,105.5	\$1,091.5	(\$14.0)
EXPENDITURES			
Appropriations	\$1,067.2	\$1,067.2	\$0.0
Additional Appropriations	0.0	0.5	0.5
Less: Estimated Lapses	(11.0)	(18.6)	(7.6)
TOTAL - Expenditures	\$1,056.2	\$1,049.1	(\$7.1)
Balance from Operations	\$49.3	\$42.4	(\$6.9)
Miscellaneous Adjustments	0.0	0.0	0.0
Estimated Balance 6/30/07	\$ <u>185.2</u>	\$ <u>175.8</u>	(<u>\$9.4</u>)

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^{2.} Per the October 2, 2006 Comptroller's Letter to Governor Rell the Fiscal Year 2006 ending balance was \$133.4 million in the Special Transportation Fund.

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State of Connecticut Special Transportation Fund Revenue Estimates Projected to June 30, 2007 As of December 31, 2006 (In Millions)

TAXES	
Motor Fuels	\$478.4
Oil Companies	141.0
Sales Tax DMV	71.6
TOTAL - TAXES	691.0
Less: Refunds of Taxes	(9.1)
TOTAL - TAXES - NET	\$681.9
OTHER REVENUE Motor Vehicle Receipts Licenses, Permits, Fees Interest Income Transfers to Other Funds Refunds of Payments TOTAL - OTHER REVENUE	\$231.8 162.0 46.0 (27.3) (2.9) \$409.6
TOTAL - SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND REVENUE	\$1,091.5

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Special Transportation Fund
Appropriation Adjustments - Additional Appropriations
Projected to June 30, 2007
As of December 31, 2006

DAS-Workers-Workers Compensation Claims \$500,000

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State of Connecticut Special Transportation Fund Estimated Lapse Projected to June 30, 2007 As of December 31, 2006

Debt Service Lapse Total \$18,600,000 \$18,600,000

State of Connecticut 2006-07 Special Transportation Fund Summary of Operations Per Letter to the Comptroller (In Millions)

	Budget Plan ^{1.}	July 2006	August 2006	September 2006 ^{2.}	October 2006	November 2006	December 2006	January 2007	February 2007	March 2007	April 2007	May 2007	June 2007
Beginning Balance	\$135.9	\$135.9	\$135.9	\$133.4	\$133.4	\$133.4	\$133.4						
Revenue	1,105.5	1,087.5	1,087.5	1,087.5	1,087.5	1,087.5	1,091.5						
Total Available	1,241.4	1,223.4	1,223.4	1,220.9	1,220.9	1,220.9	1,224.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Appropriations	1,067.2	1,067.2	1,067.2	1,067.2	1,067.2	1,067.2	1,067.2						
Additional Appropriations	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5						
Less: Estimated Lapses	(11.0)	(11.0)	(11.0)	(11.0)	(11.0)	(11.0)	(18.6)						
TOTAL - Estimated Expenditures	1,056.2	1,056.2	1,056.2	1,056.2	1,056.2	1,056.2	1,049.1						
Balance from Operations	49.3	31.3	31.3	31.3	31.3	31.3	42.4						
Compt's Misc. Adjustments/Rounding	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
Estimated Balance 6/30/07	\$185.2	\$167.2	\$167.2	\$164.7	\$164.7	\$164.7	\$175.8	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0

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