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DATE: June 10, 2003

TO: Legislative Finance Committee

FROM: Taryn Purdy

RE: Time Sensitive Operating Plan Changes and Program Transfers

Sections 17-7-138 and 17-7-139, MCA, require that cumulative operating budget changes (in any budget category) and program transfers of \$25,000 and 25 percent or \$1,000,000 must be brought before the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) prior to implementation (unless of a time sensitive nature). Statute provides that the approving authority (in most cases the Governor) may approve operating plan changes and program transfers meeting this criteria without prior LFC review if they are of a time sensitive nature.

The Office of Budget and Program Planning approved six operating plan changes and program transfers, as summarized in the attached document. Staff has reviewed the changes and raise no issues.