

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE : June 12, 2017

TO : Theodore A. Lipscomb, Sr. Board Chairman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM : Steven R. Kreklow, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget, Department of Administrative Services

SUBJECT : Requested Information Related to Recommended Corrective Action to Address Potential Budget Shortfalls Due to Actions Proposed in the State Budget

As part of the last Board cycle, I submitted, at your request, a report that included the estimated impact on Milwaukee County if the State were to eliminate the County's ability to charge a vehicle registration fee mid-year 2017. During discussion on this report, the Finance & Audit Committee further requested that I provide recommendations to the County Board on actions to address a potential shortfalls in 2017 and future years should such legislation be enacted.

I have conferred with the County Executive's Intergovernmental Relations Director and to our knowledge, legislation that would revoke the County's vehicle registration fee mid-year has been drafted to date. Without the ability to review draft legislation I cannot estimate the mid-year impact on the County with enough specificity to develop recommendations for a corrective action plan. I will continue to work with Intergovernmental Relations to monitor the State budget and will inform the County Board if I become aware of any changes to this situation.

In addition, my office is continuing to work with County departments on the development of the 2018 budget as previously reported to the Board. We have distributed budget instructions to departments and are continuing to communicate with them as they develop their requests. Budget requests are due on July 14th. As soon as possible after receiving budget requests, we will compile them, post them online and transmit them to the County Board. In addition we will be preparing a public summary of budget requests that will be posted and distributed by August 15th in accordance with State statute.

This report is informational only. No action is requested.



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