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MEMORANDUM

To:

The Honorable Raymond E. Gallison, Jr.

Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable Daniel DaPonte

Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

From:

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Date:

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Subject:

Amendments to Article 3 of the FY 2017 Appropriations Act

(16-H-7454)

The Governor requests that several amendments be made to Section 3 of Article 3, entitled "Relating to Public Officers and Employees". These amendments add the position of legislative/public affairs officer within the Department of Business Regulation and the position of chief executive officer (Eleanor Slater Hospital) within the Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals to the unclassified service. These amendments also include the withdrawal of the request to add the position of legislative/policy director within the Department of Business Regulation to the unclassified service. Finally, these amendments clarify that the position of chief medical officer within the Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals is one position, not two positions.

The amendments are as follows:

Section 3

Page 43, Lines 17-18, delete the underlined language that reads "legislative/policy director" and replace with underlined language that reads "legislative/public affairs officer" so that R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-4-2(a)(5)(ii), should read as follows:

(ii) In the department of business regulation: director, <u>chief of staff, and legislative/public affairs officer</u>;

Page 44, Line 4, delete the underlined language that reads "chief medical officer (Eleanor Slater Hospital), chief medical officer (BHDDH)" and replace with underlined language that reads "BHDDH chief medical officer, chief executive officer (Eleanor Slater Hospital)" so that R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-4-2(a)(5)(xiii), should read as follows:

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(xiii) In the department of behavioral healthcare, developmental disabilities and hospitals: director, <u>BHDDH chief medical officer</u>, <u>chief executive officer</u> (<u>Eleanor Slater Hospital</u>), and chief community relations officer;

If you have any questions regarding these amendments, please feel free to call me or my staff at 222-6300.

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