

January 4, 2021

The Honorable Representative Jonathan Singer
Chair, Joint Technology Committee
State Capitol Building, Room 029
Denver, CO 80203

RE: OSPB Prioritized Submission of FY 2020-21 IT Capital Supplementals

Dear Chair Singer,

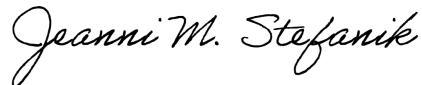
As required by § 24-37-304(1)(c.3)(I), C.R.S., the Governor's Office of State Planning and Budgeting is providing the prioritized FY 2020-21 IT capital supplemental requests, for all state departments, to the Joint Technology Committee (JTC).

This submission includes a Technical Adjustment of OeHI Capital IT Project to HCPF.

Please feel free to contact me or direct questions and concerns via email to me at Jeanni.Stefanik@state.co.us. Should the JTC find it necessary, Director Lauren Larson and I will also make ourselves available to present any necessary information at a future meeting.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Jeanni Stefanik, Interim Deputy Director

Cc:

Senator Jeff Bridges, Vice Chair, JTC

Senator Joann Ginal, JTC

Senator Jack Tate, JTC

Representative Mark Baisley, JTC

Representative Briana Titone, JTC

Ms. Luisa Altman, Legislative Council Staff

Ms. Carolyn Kampman, JBC Staff Director

Mr. Alfredo Kemm, JBC Staff

Mr. Anthony Neal-Graves, OIT Chief Information Officer & Executive Director

Ms. Lauren Larson, Director, Office of State Planning and Budgeting

		FY 2020-2021 Requests					
Agency	Project Name	TF	CCF (GF)	CF	RF	FF	
OeHI	Technical Adjustment OeHI Capital IT Project to HCPF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total IT Capital:		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	



Request Detail: Technical Adjustment OeHI Capital IT Project to HCPF

Summary of Incremental Funding Change for FY 2021-22			
	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23
Total Funds	(\$0)	(\$0)	(\$0)
FTE			
General Fund	(\$0)	(\$0)	(\$0)
Cash Funds			
Reappropriated Funds			
Federal Funds	(\$0)(I)	(\$0)(I)	(\$0)(I)

Summary of Request:

HB20-1360 appropriated \$4,450,000 of IT Capital Construction (CCF-IT) General and Federal Funds to the Office of the Governor for the Governor’s Office of eHealth Innovation phase three Health Information Technology Roadmap Initiatives. The Office of the Governor requests a technical correction for this appropriation to be transferred to the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (HCPF).

In order to receive the federal fund match from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for American Reinvestment and Recovery Health Information Technology (ARRA HITECH) Act funds, all General Funds must be appropriated to HCPF.

This is a net neutral request to lower the OeHI appropriation by \$4,450,000 and increase the HCPF appropriation by the same amount. The breakdown is moving both OeHI GF \$445,000 and OeHI FF(I) \$4,005,000 to the equivalent lines at HCPF.

Current Program:

The Governor’s Office of eHealth Innovation and Health Care Policy & Financing requested these funds for Fiscal Year 2020-21 to implement phase three of Colorado’s Health IT Roadmap Initiatives to support health delivery reform, payment reform, and care coordination, to reduce costs, and to ultimately improve the value Colorado and its citizens receive from health care investments and services. This multi-year capital IT request includes FY 2018-19 - \$6,605,000, FY 2019-20 - \$11,508,333, and now FY 2020-21 - \$4,450,000.

Problem or Opportunity:

OeHI’s federal match comes from CMS ARRA HITECH funds, which can only be drawn by HCPF. Failure to transfer the appropriation from the Office of the Governor to HCPF would potentially prevent the State

from drawing \$4,005,000 in federal funds. It would further delay implementation of the Health IT Roadmap Initiatives.

For all three fiscal years, the amount appropriated includes both state funds and anticipated federal fund match. In Fiscal Year 2018-19, delays in federal fund match approval from CMS ARRA HITECH funds impacted OeHI's ability to plan, design, and implement projects. To date only a portion of total funds have been matched by CMS due to this initial delay. Without transferring the appropriation from the Office of the Governor to HCPF the projects could see additional federal fund match delays and, therefore, further delays in project implementation.

Proposed Solution:

The Office of the Governor and the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing requests a technical correction of \$4,450,000 in Part IV: Information Technology Projects of HB20-1260 to be transferred from the Office of the Governor to HCPF.

Supplemental, 1331 Supplemental or Budget Amendment Criteria:

This supplemental corrects a technical error that substantially affects the operation of the program.



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January 4, 2021

Seth Cohn
Governor's Office
Office of State Planning and Budgeting
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Denver, CO 80203

RE: OeHI FY 2020-21 Technical Supplemental Request

Dear Mr. Cohn:

The FY 2020-21 Long Bill (HB 20-1360) appropriated \$4,450,000 under the Governor's Office to implement year three of the Office of eHealth Innovation's (OeHI) Health IT Roadmap project. To be consistent with the FY 2019-20 appropriation, OeHI has submitted a supplemental request to have the funding directly appropriated to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, rather than under the Governor's Office within the Capital Construction bill. As OeHI's fiscal agent, the Department supports this request.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'JB', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Josh Block
Budget Director
Department of Health Care Policy and Financing

Enclosure(s)

