



Joint Committee on Appropriations
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Letter of Intent Regarding Department of Social Services and Department of Health Opioid Federal Funding

Dear Secretary DeSautel and Secretary Malsam-Rysdon:

This Letter of Intent sets forth a particular view held by the Joint Committee on Appropriations (JCA) in approving your appropriation in the 2019 Legislative session. As such, this Letter of Intent seeks to supplement that legislation with specific policy guidance as approved on March 29, 2019.

While the guidance does not have the direct force of statutory law, it rests solidly on a long-standing tradition of Legislative-Executive relationships in South Dakota and it will be used by the Joint Committee as one basis for the fiscal oversight of your agency and its continued funding.

It is the intent of the JCA that a combined annual report on federal opioid funding be provided to the JCA no later than December 31 of each year in which the State received funding for opioids detailing the following items:

- Dollars expended, grants utilized, and a description for each program or activity receiving opioid funding for the prior, current, and next fiscal year;
- Planned program outcomes, goals, and identified metrics for each program or activity receiving opioid funding; and
- An update on outcomes, goals, and metric attainment in the prior fiscal year.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Senator John Wiik
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cc: Marty Guindon, Auditor General
Liza Clark, Commissioner, Bureau of Finance and Management