



Joint Committee on Appropriations

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March 29, 2019

Ms. Kim Vanneman, Secretary
Department of Agriculture
523 E. Capitol Ave, Foss Building
Pierre, SD 57501

Letter of Intent Regarding Billing Boards & Commissions for Services

Dear Secretary Vanneman:

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.

The 2019 Legislature approved 1.0 FTE and \$77,439 in general funds for a Department of Agriculture (DOA) Accounting Manager position through SB191. It is the intent of the JCA that the DOA complete an analysis and bring forth a proposal to implement the process of billing the boards, commissions and councils housed under the DOA for accounting, legal and any other services rendered by DOA. The proposal should include any proposed changes to statute, administrative rule, and internal processes and procedures. The JCA requests a report at the July 2019 interim JCA meeting detailing the DOA's proposal.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Senator John Wiik
Lead Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Appropriations

Representative Chris Karr
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cc: Marty Guindon, Auditor General
Liza Clark, Commissioner, Bureau of Finance and Management