



Joint Committee on Appropriations  
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May 22, 2019

Marcia Hultman, Department Secretary  
Department of Labor and Regulation  
123 W. Missouri Ave.  
Pierre, SD 57501

### Letter of Intent Regarding Appropriations for Family-First Initiative Program

Dear Secretary Hultman,

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 May 22, 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.

SB191 provided \$215,000 in general fund appropriations to implement a new family-first initiative program within the Department of Labor and Regulation (DLR). It is the intent of the committee that no more than \$15,000 of the funding be used for administering the program. As part of this ongoing funding the JCA requests a report delivered no later than November 1 of each year, beginning November 1, 2019 outlining at a minimum the following items:

- For the recently completed fiscal year, the list of the awardees, dollar amount, purpose, and intended outcome;
- Provide a list by location of expanded existing classes/programs and increased offerings of classes/programs by providers; and
- Develop and report on measurable outcomes for the program consistent with those specified during the 2019 legislative session, which includes tracking those registered to produce an outcome measure.

For the first bullet point regarding fiscal year 2020 please provide the current numbers. Thank you for your cooperation.

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

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Representative Chris Karr  
Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Appropriations

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