



# South Dakota Legislature

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## **Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations**

Representative Justin Cronin, Chair

Senator Deb Peters, Vice Chair

March 31, 2015

Jason Dilges, Commissioner  
Bureau of Finance and Management  
500 E. Capitol Ave.  
Pierre, SD 57501

### **Letter of Intent Regarding Legislation Approved in the 2015 Session**

Dear Commissioner Dilges:

This Letter of Intent sets forth a particular view held by the Joint Committee on Appropriations in approving your appropriation in the 2015 Legislative Session. As such, it supplements that appropriation with a specific policy guideline as approved on March 30, 2015.

While the guideline 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.

On January 20, 2015, Executive Reorganization Order 2015-01 was submitted to the 90th Legislative Assembly. The order directed that the Office of History and South Dakota State Historical Society be combined and together with the Cultural Heritage Center, be transferred to the Department of Education.

It is the intent of the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations that all state general funds, federal grant funds, and any other funds, including all special taxes, available or appropriated to the Office of History, the South Dakota State Historical Society, and the Cultural Heritage Center prior to the executive reorganization remain appropriated and available to the Office of History, the South Dakota State Historical Society and the Cultural Heritage Center after the reorganization.

The Committee requests the Bureau of Finance and Management to certify that all of the appropriate funds were transferred and/or made available to the affected offices after the reorganization.

Thank you for your cooperation.

/ S / Representative Justin Cronin

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Chair, Interim Joint Appropriations

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cc: Marty Guindon, Auditor General  
Dr. Melody Schopp, Secretary, Department of Education