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Senator Richard Devlin, Co-Chair
Representative Peter Buckley, Co-Chair
Joint Committee on Ways and Means
900 Court Street NE
H-178 State Capitol
Salem, Oregon 97301-4048

To the Honorable Co-Chairs Devlin and Buckley:

Nature of the Request

In a note attached to the 2013-2015 OSL budget, the Oregon State Library and the Department of Administrative Services, were *“directed to submit to the Legislature in February of 2014 a detailed strategic plan for the reorganization of the State Library. Additionally, the State Library is directed to hold vacant any current or future vacated or unfilled positions until the Legislature in 2014 approves a reorganization plan for the agency.”* The budget note indicated that the second year of biennial funding for the State Library is contingent upon the submission of the plan.

Agency Action

In September 2014 the State Library submitted a report on recommendations for reorganization of the State Library to the General Government Subcommittee of the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means. This report resulted from project work over the summer with significant consultation of the State Library employees and oversight of the State Library Board.

After the committee hearing, Senator Steiner Hayward and Representative Nathanson responded to that report with direction for the State Library, State Archives, State of Oregon Law Library, and Oregon Historical Society to come together with the assistance of the DAS COO's office to create an implementation plan for collaboration and cooperation between the four agencies that would improve information service delivery for Oregonians.

A team representing the four entities has been working on the implementation plan in coordination with the COO's office. A separate letter, signed jointly by all entities, has been submitted to report on the progress and current status of the implementation activities.

Action Requested

The State Library respectfully requests the Joint Committee on Ways and Means make the following changes to the State Library second year operations. This funding will be required to implement the reorganization changes recommended for the Oregon State Library. This request represents the second year funding set aside by the 2013 Joint Committee on Ways and Means in package 090.

- allocate \$1,702,192 from the special purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board
- increase Other Funds expenditure limitation by \$267,771
- increase Assessment Funds limitation by \$2,898,665
- increase Federal Funds limitation by \$2,418,339
- increase permanent positions from 19.63 FTE to 39.26 FTE

Legislation Affected

Allocation of \$1,702,192 from the special purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board by chapter 723, section 4, Oregon Laws 2013, to supplement the appropriation made by chapter 500, section 1, Oregon Laws 2013, for the State Library second year operations for the 2013-15 biennium.

Increase the Other Funds expenditure limitation established by chapter 500, section 2, Oregon Laws 2013, for the State Library second year operations, by \$267,771 for the 2013-15 biennium.

Increase the Assessment Funds expenditure limitation established by chapter 500, section 3, Oregon Laws 2013, for the State Library second year operations, by \$2,898,665 for the 2013-15 biennium.

Increase the Federal Funds expenditure limitation established by chapter 500, section 4, Oregon Laws 2013, for the State Library second year operations, by \$2,418,339 for the 2013-15 biennium.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "MaryKay Dahlgreen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

MaryKay Dahlgreen
State Librarian