



SPECIAL EDITION

Dear Colleague:

In a letter or through a posting dated September 15, 2009, you were provided notice that in the event there is no approved spending plan for state government in place on October 1 you would be temporarily laid off.

Because the Michigan Legislature has failed as of 2 p.m. today to meet its constitutional responsibility to enact a balanced budget for the fiscal year that begins October 1, 2009, that notice remains in effect. Each Deputy Director has identified certain employees that are to report to work tomorrow regardless of an approved budget. Unless you have been specifically notified by your supervisor that you are to report to work, you are temporarily laid off effective 12:01 a.m. on October 1, 2009, until a spending plan is in place or you are otherwise notified.

A bill authorizing the continued expenditure of state funds has been approved by both the Michigan House of Representatives and Michigan Senate but has not been given immediate effect by the Senate. If and when the Senate gives immediate effect to this continuation budget and the bill is signed into law by the governor, the Executive Office will notify news organizations and post a notice on www.michigan.gov. You are directed to monitor those reports for updated information, because in the event of action by the Michigan Senate or other action to authorize expenditures for Fiscal Year 2010, you will be expected to report to work for the balance of your shift or for your next scheduled shift as appropriate.

I know these have been difficult times for you and all of us who serve the public in state government. We appreciate your patience and continued service to the citizens of Michigan.

Sincerely,

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