

STATE OF MICHIGAN



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STATE OFFICERS COMPENSATION COMMISSION

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December 11, 2002

TO: Gary Randall, Clerk of the House of Representatives
Carol Viventi, Secretary of the Senate
Don Gilmer, State Budget Director

FROM: Eugene Gargaro, Chairman

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SUBJECT: 2002 State Officers Compensation Commission (SOCC) Decision

The Commission met on November 21, 2002, and was briefed on changes to the SOCC process resulting from the amendment to the state constitution approved in August of this year. The constitutional amendment now requires that the legislature approve determinations of the Commission and that any approved determinations cannot take effect until the legislative session immediately following the next general election. Thus, the earliest any determination of the Commission could take effect would be January 2005. (The current salaries for covered elected officials will remain fixed at their current levels for 2003 and 2004.)

Considering these recent changes, and since implementing legislation has not yet been enacted, the Commission has decided to defer determinations on salaries and expense allowances for elected officials for 2005 and 2006 to the next SOCC session, when we expect the implementing legislation will be in place.

cc: Governor-elect Jennifer Granholm
Lt. Governor-elect John D. Cherry, Jr.
Secretary of State-elect Terri Lynn Land
Attorney General-elect Mike Cox
Chief Justice Maura Corrigan
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