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To: The Honorable Raymond E. Gallison, Jr.
 Chairman, House Finance Committee

 The Honorable Daniel DaPonte
 Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

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Date: March 25, 2015

Subject: Amendment to the FY 2016 Appropriations Act (15-H-5900)

The Governor requests that Article 27 entitled "Relating to Legal Notices" be withdrawn from the FY 2016 Appropriations Act. The article would have allowed legal notices and advertisements to be posted electronically on approved websites in lieu of a newspaper. Although the Administration may still move forward with providing this information electronically, we believe this method should be in place prior to any proposal to eliminate the availability of such notices under the current printed method. The FY 2016 Budget assumed \$100,000 in general revenue savings from implementing the proposal.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please feel free to call me or my staff at 222-6300.

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