

INFORMATION

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 X ACTION REQUIRED

DATE OF MEETING: 6/26/08

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AGENDA ITEM: Adopt Letter to Governor and Legislature regarding MHSA Funds

ENCLOSURES: • Draft letter to Governor and Legislative Budget Subcommittee Chairs

OTHER MATERIAL RELATED TO ITEM:

ISSUE:

The continuing budget crisis has created a significant threat to Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds. Several members of the Legislature are proposing that MHSA funds be “borrowed” to help to balance the budget.

Enclosed is a draft letter to the Governor and to the chairs of the legislative budget subcommittees. This letter conveys the MHSOAC’s appreciation for preserving MHSA funds to be used for their original intent and it requests that these State leaders continue to preserve these MHSA funds.

Proposed Motion: Adopt the draft letter and send to the Governor and legislative budget subcommittee chairs