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SUMMARY

Work is beginning on potential legislative concepts to be proposed to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) and the Governor for filing in advance of the 2009 Legislative session. The purpose of this agenda item is to provide an early look at legislative concepts under consideration for development and to seek Board input.

CONTEXT, BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Legislative concepts must be submitted by April 4, 2008 for review by DAS and the Governor's Office. Concepts must be essentially fully developed by this date, in consultation with interested parties, including the public, stakeholder groups, legislators and other agencies. Proposed bills that have a fiscal impact also must be coordinated with development of the Department's 2009-2011 budget request. Approved concepts are passed on to the Office of Legislative Counsel for drafting into bill form.

The Board's January 9, and March 5, 2008 meetings will provide opportunities for Board discussion and eventual approval of legislative concepts in advance of the April deadline for submission to DAS.

Attachment 1 to this report summarizes preliminary thinking about possible legislative concepts. The concepts originate from a variety of sources, including Board work plans, the periodic issue scan, advisory groups, and staff and stakeholder discussions. Concepts will evolve – and some may drop off or be added to the list – based on Board input and continued research and consultation with interested parties.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends the Board review the attached list and provide feedback about the preliminary concepts, and make suggestions for modifying the list.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will continue work on the concepts, and will submit a more definitive list for consideration and approval at the Board's March 5, 2008 meeting.

ATTACHMENT

(1) 2009 Legislative Concepts – Preliminary Staff Planning