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Concerning H.B. 5034 An Act Making Deficiency Appropriations For The Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018

Good afternoon Senator Osten, Senator Formica, Representative Walker, Rep. Ziobron and Members of the Committee:

For the record, I am Deputy State Comptroller Martha Carlson, and I am here this afternoon to discuss H.B. 5034 An Act Making Deficiency Appropriations For The Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018.

The Office of State Comptroller (OSC) has been included in this bill because of a forecasted deficiency in the fringe benefits account in the Transportation Fund.

The Transportation Fund is anticipating a \$3.5 million deficit for fiscal year 2018 in the Active Healthcare Account, largely due to a reduction of \$3 million dollars in our appropriation. With this reduction, we have a net appropriation of \$43.3 million. We are projecting \$46.9 million in expenditures this fiscal year, resulting in a \$3.5 million deficit.

State Employees Health Service Cost						
Transportation Fund						
	Changes to	Appropriation	YTD	Estimated	EOY	2017
				EOY		
Appropriation	Appropriation	Available	Expenses	Expenses	Balance	Expended
46,110,687	(2,800,000)	43,310,687	32,622,433	46,822,433	(3,511,746)	48,413,124

This account generally fluctuates when Department of Transportation employees are reallocated from Federal Fund assignments as a result of weather issues. This account is routinely monitored by OPM and OSC and may require additional adjustments in the coming weeks given the recent storms affecting our state.

Thank you for your time. I am happy to answer your questions.