

SECTION 25. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Budget and Management shall provide an annual report on indirect costs to the Joint Budget and Audit Committee. The report should assess available information on the timeliness, completeness, and deposit history of indirect cost recoveries by State agencies.

SECTION 26. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(1) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene shall maintain the accounting systems necessary to determine the extent to which funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 1997 in program MQ01.03 Medical Care Provider Reimbursements have been disbursed for services provided in that fiscal year and shall prepare and submit the periodic reports required under this section for that program;

(2) The Superintendent of Education shall maintain the accounting systems necessary to determine the extent to which funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 1997 in program RA02.07 Students With Disabilities for Non-Public Placements have been disbursed for services provided in that fiscal year and shall prepare and submit the periodic reports as required under this section for that program;

(3) For the programs specified, reports shall indicate total appropriations for Fiscal Year 1997 and total disbursements for services provided during that fiscal year up through the last day of the second month preceding the date on which the report is to be submitted and a comparison to data applicable to those periods in the preceding fiscal year;

(4) Reports shall be submitted to the budget committees, the Department of Fiscal Services, the Department of Budget and Management, and the Comptroller on November 1, 1997, March 1, 1998, and June 1, 1998; and

(5) It is the intent of the General Assembly that general funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 1997 to the programs specified which have not been disbursed within a reasonable period, not to exceed 12 months from the end of the fiscal year, shall revert.

SECTION 27. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management shall continue to provide a quarterly report to the Department of Fiscal Services detailing agency spending for contract salaries and additional assistance.

SECTION 28. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any budget amendment to increase the total amount of special, federal, or higher education (current restricted and current unrestricted) fund appropriations made in Section 1 shall be subject to the following restrictions:

(1) Budget amendments increasing total appropriations in any fund account by \$100,000 or more may not be approved by the Governor until (a) that amendment has been submitted to the Department of Fiscal Services and (b) the budget committees or the Legislative Policy Committee have considered the amendment or 45 days have elapsed from the date of submission of the amendment. Each amendment submitted to the Department of Fiscal Services shall include a statement of the amount, sources of funds, and purposes of the amendment and a summary of impact on budgeted or contractual position and payroll requirements.