EXHIBIT 9
DATE 1/13/2005
HB

EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

LANGUAGE CHANGE REQUEST FOR
FACILITY LODGING TAX FUNDS
And DP-7000

Requested by Montana Historical Society

1. Facility Lodging Tax
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"It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Commerce use lodging facility use taxes to fund $~~617,782~~ 625,703 in fiscal year 2006 and $~~617,782~~ 609,861 in fiscal year 2007 for the Montana Historical Society. This would be expended as follows:

	Original	Recom.	Original	Recom
Historical Interpretation	$197,631	$197,631	$190,392	$190,392
Scriver Collection	~~120,151~~	128,072	~~127,390~~	131,170
L&C Exhibit & Interpretation	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
L&C Bicent. Commission	200,000	200,000	200,000	100,000
L&C Commission Termination				88,299

The first three uses of lodging taxes are budgeted in items 1 and 3. The $200,000 ~~each fiscal year of the biennium~~ for fiscal year 2006 and the $88,299 for fiscal year 2007 for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission is a language appropriation. Because the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission intends to terminate its activities December 31, 2006, only $100,000 of the fiscal year 2007 lodging facility tax amount will be needed. However, upon termination of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission, if there are any remaining financial obligations, the Society shall use all or a portion of the $88,299 balance to pay those obligations."

2. DP-7000
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DP 7000 – Computer Server Replacement – The executive recommends biennial, one-time-only, restricted general fund of $20,000 ~~over the biennium~~ for two servers. The main Society server is no longer under warranty and the second server in the Historic Preservation program will be out of warranty during the 2007 biennium. Any remaining balance may be used by the Society for priority computer equipment needs.