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TO: Senator Wanrenried, Senator Ripley, Representative Sesso, Representative Taylor

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RE: Goal and Performance Measurements as Part of the Appropriations Process

As requested we have completed a report on potential legislative solutions to ensuring goals and related performance measurements as part of the appropriation process. As part of the discussion on Wednesday we would propose that the subcommittee consider the proposed process in light of the significant budget issues the legislature will be facing.

- How can this process be used to ensure legislative discussion on the performance impacts tied to budget reductions?
- In what format should the information be provided to the committees to assist the legislature in implementing changes?
- How does the legislature wish to evaluate the resulting changes in state services?
- How can legislative staff support this process?

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. in room 422. Please let either of us know if you have any questions before the meeting.