Detailed Explanation of Fiscal Year 2019 Vetoes

2.230 – The cost and staffing for grant funding can be absorbed into the existing DESE budget.

3.240 – The proposed one-time financial allocation of $2,000,000 is not consistent with adjustments to higher education operating expenses, which have traditionally been done as a percentage across institutions. Half of the total appropriation increase is adequate to address Missouri Southern State University’s unique needs.

3.250 – Harris-Stowe State University’s one-time allocation is not an adequate solution for an ongoing problem. We are committed to finding a long-term solution to the university’s funding needs.

4.407 – There is no statutory spending authority for this appropriation.

5.145 – Recognizing the importance of increasing funding for investigations of allegations of child abuse and neglect, an increase of $236,665 and 5 FTE to the State Technical Assistance Team within the Department of Social Services was made. The increase of 2 FTE to the Office of Child Advocate does not meet our priority of identifying ways to offer assistance to those entities having direct contact with at-risk children.

6.020 – With the release of FY 2018 Biodiesel Subsidy Funds earlier this year, the required transfer was reduced to an appropriate level.

6.225 – Recent actions in an agreement with the Attorney General’s Office and owners of the Bridgeton Landfill ensure that remediation and cleanup efforts will occur, leaving this appropriation unnecessary.

8.090 – This appropriation offers uncertainty as to who will administer the program and how grants will be distributed. We believe that law enforcement officers deserve the appropriate tools to get the job done. However, we believe that providing law enforcement supplies is an issue best left to local governments.

8.167 – Before appropriating money for this program, statutory language capping the maximum expenditure and implementing other restrictions on the use of such funds should be enacted.

10.225 – No statutory authority or guidelines for the administration of this program exist.

10.410 – This pilot program was reduced back to the FY 2018 level. Research on expanding the program outside of the pilot area is needed before additional funding is granted.

10.900 – The cost for the FTEs can be absorbed in the existing DHSS budget and we are committed to finding a more stable long-term funding source than operating from general revenue.

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12.400 – With the additional $3.2 million in salary increases granted to the public defender system this year, we will monitor the department’s retention and caseload going forward.
12.515 – An existing MO HealthNet oversight committee, established by SB 577 in 2007, is already in place and currently functioning.

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