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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I have signed Enrolled Senate Bill 1152, which makes appropriations for the Department of Community Health for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011. I have, however, disapproved four items pursuant to Section 19 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963. The specific vetoes are detailed in the attached copy of the bill that has been filed with the Secretary of State.

This bill appropriates \$14.1 billion gross and over \$2.4 billion from Michigan's general fund. Within this budget bill, adequate funds have been appropriated to restore a number of optional Medicaid services, including adult dental services and podiatric services. In addition, funding to support Children Special Health Care Services non-emergency transportation services was restored.

I am concerned about savings assumptions in this bill that appear overly optimistic. I have asked the Department of Community Health to closely monitor this situation and alert the State Budget Office to any potential budget problems.

I disapproved the Early Childhood Collaborative Secondary Prevention line item due to the fact that insufficient funds are appropriated. Funding for this program is contained in the Department of Human Services budget and I intend to sign the appropriation in that bill.

In addition, I have disapproved sections 1112 and 1139 due to the fact that insufficient funds are appropriated to support the referenced initiatives.

I have also disapproved section 285 because the department already maintains a prescription drug website and insufficient funds are appropriated to



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provide the required enhancements.

While I have found it necessary to make modifications to the bill you sent me, I have concurred with the vast majority of your budget actions and I thank the Legislature for your work on this important budget.

Sincerely,

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Governor

c: Michigan State House The Honorable Terri Lynn Land