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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State Street, Room 710  
Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Enclosed is a Request for Legislative Action (RLA) for the September meeting of the Legislature. Albany County Department of Health (ACDOH) has been notified of \$830,466 in grant funding for COVID-19 response activities for the period of 7/1/20 – 6/30/22. The funding is to be used to increase health department staff in order to provide rapid and complete case investigations. ACDOH would like to create four positions, three of the positions will be used as case investigators and one position will be used for community education around mask and social distance compliance and help with call center volume. We are also requesting to increase the overtime line which is currently negative and to increase equipment/supply lines for the new employees.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth F. Whalen, MD, MPH  
Commissioner of Health

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader  
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel  
Minority Counsel

Enclosures



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