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FROM: Rachel Bledi, Board of Elections Commissioner

Kathleen Donovan, Board of Elections Commissioner

RE: Budget Amendment-Transfer of Funds

DATE: 06/20/2023

Please be advised that the Albany County Board of Elections is requesting a transfer of funds from our Election Day Staffing line (A 1450 44975) to our Temporary Help line (A 1450 19970) in the amount of \$750,000 to facilitate payment of temporary election workers. Election inspectors are now categorized as county employees, rather than vendors due to an increase in pay in 2023 from \$250 to \$300 per election. The change in inspector status is in accordance with IRS regulations.

TRANSFER FROM:

Election Day Staffing line (A 1450 44975): (\$750,000)

TRANSFER TO:

Temporary Help line (A 1450 19970): \$750,000

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APPROPRIATIONS

ACCOUNT NO.	RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE	UNIT COST	DEPARTMENT NAME
A9 1450 19970 A9 1450 44975	Temporary Help Election Day Staffing	\$750,000	\$750,000		Board of Elections
	TOTAL APPROPRATIONS	750,000.00	750,000.00		
	GRAND TOTALS	750,000.00	750,000.00		

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Budget Amendment for Board of Elections					
Date:	06/20/2023				
Submitted By:	Rachel Bledi and Kathleen Donovan				
Department:	Board of Elections				
Title:	Commissioners of Elections				
Phone:	518-487-5070				
Department Rep.					
Attending Meeting:	Rachel Bledi and Kathleen Donovan				
Purpose of Request:					
 □ Adopting of Local Law □ Amendment of Prior Legislation □ Approval/Adoption of Plan/Procedure □ Bond Approval ☑ Budget Amendment □ Contract Authorization □ Countywide Services □ Environmental Impact/SEQR □ Home Rule Request □ Property Conveyance □ Other: (state if not listed) 					
CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDM	<u>ENTS</u>				
Increase/decrease category (choo ☐ Contractual ☐ Equipment ☐ Fringe ☐ Personnel ☐ Personnel Non-Individual ☐ Revenue	se all that apply):				
Increase Account/Line No.: Source of Funds: Title Change:	Temporary Help (A 1450 19970) Election Day Staffing (A1450 44975)				

CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATIONS

Type of Contract: ☐ Change Order/Contract Amendment ☐ Purchase (Equipment/Supplies) ☐ Lease (Equipment/Supplies) ☐ Requirements ☐ Professional Services ☐ Education/Training ☐ Grant ☐ Submission Date Deadline ☐ Settlement of a Claim ☐ Release of Liability ☐ Other: (state if not listed)					
Contract Terms/Conditions:					
Party (Name/address):					
Additional Parties (Names/addresses):					
Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: Scope of Services:					
Bond Res. No.: Date of Adoption:					
CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS					
Mandated Program/Service: If Mandated Cite Authority: conduct elections.	Yes ⊠ No □ Election Law mandates the use of election workers to				
Is there a Fiscal Impact:	Yes ⊠ No □				
Anticipated in Current Budget:	Yes ⊠ No □				
County Budget Accounts: Revenue Account and Line: Revenue Amount:					
Appropriation Account and Line: Appropriation Amount:	Temporary Help A1450 19970 \$750,000				
Source of Funding – (Percentages) Federal: State: County:	0% 0% 100%				

Local:				
Term Term: (Start and end date) Length of Contract:				
Impact on Pending Litigation If yes, explain:	Yes □ No ⊠			
Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action: Resolution/Law Number: Date of Adoption:				

Justification: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

Due to an increase in pay to election inspectors in 2023 from \$250 to \$300 per election, election inspectors are now categorized as county employees, rather than vendors. This is to ensure the county complies with IRS regulations. The change in status now requires that election day workers be paid out of a personnel line, necessitating the \$750,000 transfer of funds.