April 16, 2008

The Honorable Louis D. Greenwald  
Chairman, Assembly Budget Committee  
State House Annex  
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Dear Chairman Greenwald:

I am writing in response to your inquiry during my appearance before the Committee on Tuesday, April 8, regarding Medicaid. You asked what impact the proposed ERI program would have on the Department of Law and Public Safety’s Office of Insurance Fraud Prosecutor’s Medicaid Fraud Unit. Upon researching your question, it was determined that no one in that unit is eligible based on anticipated ERI language.

Additionally, through your letter to Commissioner Jennifer Velez at the Department of Human Services, you asked for “an overview as to the number and types of personnel currently involved in fraud and abuse activities in your respective departments. Please provide information as to the number and types of vacant positions in these units.” The information for the Department of Law and Public Safety’s Medicaid Fraud Unit, is as follows below. This information will also be provided to Commissioner Velez to include in her complete response.

- The budget allows for 11 attorneys, 22 investigators, 2 auditors, 1 nurse analyst, and 7 support personnel.

- Current staffing is 8 attorneys, 18 investigators, 2 auditors, 1 nurse analyst, and 7 support personnel.

- Therefore, 3 attorney slots and 4 investigator slots are currently vacant.

I hope that this information is helpful in addressing your questions. Thank you for your continued interest in and support of this Department.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General