

## JLBC MEETING

At its August 11, 2010 meeting, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee considered the following issues:

**Attorney General – Review of Allocation of Settlement Monies** – The Committee gave a favorable review of the AG’s allocation plans for the \$350,000 that the AG will receive from 2 settlements related to enforcement of consumer protection and consumer fraud statutes. The amounts to be deposited into the Consumer Protection-Consumer Fraud Revolving Fund are: \$327,500 from Dey, Inc., a pharmaceutical company, and \$100,000 from Avondale Automotive, an auto dealership. An additional \$22,500 will be paid by Dey Inc. to compensate outside counsel.

**Department of Health Services – Review of FY 2011 Behavioral Health Capitation Rates** – The Committee gave a favorable review to the department’s proposed Children's Behavioral Health and General Mental Health/Substance Abuse capitation rates, but gave an unfavorable review to the department's proposed Seriously Mentally Ill rates.

At the budgeted caseload level, the proposed rates would cause a \$15 million shortfall in DHS' General Fund budget. However, Title XIX caseload growth has begun to slow. At its current level, caseload savings would offset approximately 50% of the capitation rate shortfall. If this slowing trend continues throughout the year, the entire shortfall could be offset by caseload savings.