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Via Certified Mail

Commission

Re: Jail Per Diem Rate

Dear Commissioners,

This notification letter supersedes the previous letter sent on October 19, 2021, in which we were providing the counties and municipalities the per diem rate change.

During the 2022 Regular Session of the Legislature, HB4497 was passed and subsequently approved by the Governor on March 28, 2022. This bill affected West Virginia Code §15A-3-16(g) Funds for operations of jails under the jurisdiction of the commissioner. HB4497 revised subsection (g) of said code to extend the statutory per diem cap of \$48.25, paid by counties and municipalities to incarcerate inmates in regional jails, through July 1, 2023.

Notification letters regarding the jail per diem rate were **previously** sent out to County Commissions and Mayors of those counties and municipalities who are incarcerating inmates in the State's regional jails on October 19, 2021. These notifications advised the receiving officials that *"The State Budget Office is required by law to establish the per diem rate annually based on the three most current years of jail operating expenses. The current per diem rate previously established by the State Budget Office was \$54.13. Due to the passage of HB4497, the per diem rate will remain capped at \$48.25 through July 1, 2023.*

"If you have any questions, please contact Kimberly Wilson, Manager, Accounts Receivable Unit at 304-414-3432 or by email at Kimberly.S.Wilson@wv.gov. "

Very respectfully,

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