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In accordance with 2003 Act 66 § 12, the Commissioner of Finance & Management is authorized to charge departments for recurrent VISION processing errors. To date, the Department of Finance and Management has not developed a schedule of charges nor have any charges been made. The level of errors that prompted this language continues to decrease. Therefore, in FY2011 we did not bill departments for recurrent errors in VISION.

Our primary goal continues to be elimination of the recurrent errors rather than charging for them. If the recurrent errors continue to decrease in volume as they have in prior years, the Department of Finance and Management is not likely to develop a process in FY2012 either. Nonetheless, we believe having the latitude to charge departments for the costs of mistakes has had some deterrent effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Reardon".

Jim Reardon
Commissioner

