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## Department of Financial Information System for California—Book of Record Augmentation

Pursuant to Provision 4 of Item 8880-001-0001, Budget Act of 2024, the following report is respectfully submitted.

The Department of Finance received a request from the Department of Financial Information System for California (FISCal), to increase its Statewide Systems Development appropriation by \$28,768,000 General Fund and six positions in fiscal year 2024-25, and \$1,096,000 and six positions in 2025-26 and ongoing, pursuant to provisional language in the 2024 Budget Act, to facilitate the integration of the state's accounting Book of Record (BOR) functionality into the FI\$Cal System.

Provision 4 of the 2024 Budget Act provides Finance with the authority to augment these items to support workload pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 11860) of Chapter 10 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. Specifically, Government Code 11860 (c) requires the BOR be integrated into FI\$Cal by July 1, 2026, and be sufficiently staffed to provide ongoing support and assistance to end users.

Finance concurs that the augmentation is necessary to provide FI\$Cal sufficient budget authority to support critical FI\$Cal System implementation activities. Provision 4 authorizes Finance to approve this augmentation no sooner than 30 days from the above date; however, we respectfully request a response in 15 days to meet critical contracting deadlines. If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please call Danielle Brandon, Principal Program Budget Analyst, at (916) 445-3274.

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