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June 13, 2023

Mr. Joe Stephenshaw, Director Department of Finance 1021 O Street, Suite 3110 Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Mr. Stephenshaw:

In a letter dated June 2, 2023, you notified the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, pursuant to Item 1111-401 in the 2022-23 Budget Act, of a request from the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) to make three augmentations totaling \$392,000 for unanticipated costs. Specifically, DCA is seeking authority to augment the Osteopathic Medical Board of California Fund by \$312,000, the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers Fund by \$17,000, and the Physician Assistant Fund by \$63,000 for consumer protection enforcement-related activities provided by the Attorney General (AG) and the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH).

I have reviewed the request and concur with the increase in augmentations. In addition, I waive the remainder of the 30-day review period, in order to allow the three boards to reimburse the AG's office and the OAH before the end of the fiscal year.

Sincerely,

Nancy Skinner

Chair

cc: Members of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee