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For purposes of coverage for both workers compensation and liability, RMD will consider both AMEs and RMEs to be state employees. Earlier correspondence with the AG's office confirms this approach stopping short of rendering a formal legal opinion. The Health Department will pursue legislative confirmation of this interpretation in the FY 00 session. If this legislative clarification cannot be obtained, this interpretation of status should be reviewed.

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