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Subject: S.95

Dear Senator Kitchel,

I want to offer support for S.95 and to specifically address the funding for the SANE PROGRAM CLINICAL COORDINATOR. The revised bill includes compromise language agreed to by the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services (The Center) that reads as follows:

A clinical coordinator position shall be funded by either The Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services or through other identified state funding options for the purpose of staffing the SANE Program.

The Center currently has budgeted for this position utilizing federal funding. We recognize the importance of this position and while funding is never guaranteed, we do have current funding through June 30, 2018. The federal budget has not yet being passed for federal fiscal year 2017 that began last October 1, 2016. Because of this, we do not know the amount of formula Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funds that the State of Vermont will receive so that funding after June 30, 2018 will still need to be identified.

Please contact me if you have further questions about this.

Thank you,

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