Comments on the Memo from House Appropriations

My thoughts on these two sections are pretty much identical. Traditionally, funding requests for the larger IT systems were included in either the Big Bill or the Capital Bill. Use of these two funds (Worker's Compensation Administration Fund / Education Fund) to cover IT costs potentially removes legislative oversight of IT spending. If E.400 and E.500.1 are to be approved I would prefer to see some language that adds a reporting requirement so that the legislature can see what is being spent on these systems, the status of those systems, and what benefit is being achieved for the money.

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