

Tucker Anderson – 4/13/2020

Good afternoon, Nolan:

Last week, Senate Government Operations asked me to research whether Vermont municipalities would qualify for assistance under certain federal programs during the COVID response. I wanted to flag their questions for you because the discussion is likely to center on issues in the JFO wheelhouse.

The questions that have come up are:

- What are the gaps and potential overlap between CARES and FEMA during the crisis? What is available for direct support to municipalities?
- Are there Vermont municipalities that do not qualify for support under these acts and administrative regulations?
- What programs can municipalities support with these funds? Is there potential for EMS services to be supported by these funds?

At this time, I do not plan to testify on the funding issues and wanted to make sure that you are aware of the committee's specific concerns. Let me know if you would like to discuss.

Best,

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