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Re: Agenda for Monday's Hearing—December 22, 2008 at 12:00 pm

Dear Messrs Genson and Adam, Jr.:

Please be advised that the following items will be on Monday's agenda:

- 1) Status of the response of the United States Attorney, Patrick Fitzgerald, to the Committee's letter of December 18, 2008. Please be advised that this letter requested certain information from the U.S. Attorney and, in addition, notified Mr. Fitzgerald of a number of witnesses the Committee would consider calling as witnesses. A copy of the Committee's letter (along with all exhibits admitted before the Committee) can be found at www.ilga.gov, under the heading "Special Investigative Committee." Specifically, the letter to Mr. Fitzgerald is located at <http://www.ilga.gov/house/committees/Documents/Committee%20Letter%20to%20Patrick%20J.%20Fitzgerald.pdf>. A copy is also attached.
- 2) Testimony from a former Assistant United States Attorney. This testimony will concern the standards, burdens, and procedures for obtaining a court order to intercept oral communications and wire communications. At this time, we anticipate the testimony will come from former Assistant United States Attorney John Scully.
- 3) Testimony related to a Chicago Tribune Article on April 27, 2008, by Jeffrey Meitrodt, Ray Long, and John Chase Entitled "The Governor's \$25,000 Club". We anticipate that Cynthia Canary,

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Executive Director of the Illinois Campaign for Political Reform, will testify with regard to her findings on the subject of this Chicago Tribune article. Ms. Canary will testify about individuals who have contributed \$25,000 to the Governor's political campaign fund and who have also received a State appointment, a State contract, or a like benefit. In addition, Ms. Canary may testify as to the historic rarity of contributions of that amount in Illinois election campaigns.

- 4) Review of documents produced by Barry Maram, Director of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, and Tammi Hoffman, Chief of Staff to the Department. Please recall that at the Thursday hearing, these individuals were unable to answer certain questions and promised to deliver documents to the Committee as early as last night (Thursday night, December 18). The Committee is in receipt of these documents and you should have received a copy via facsimile this afternoon. We will also deliver them to your office this afternoon. The Committee may question Mr. Maram and Ms. Hoffman regarding these documents and any follow-up questions. In addition or in the alternative, the Committee may simply discuss the production of documents and whether they shed lights on the outstanding questions.
- 5) Testimony from members of the Procurement Policy Board, or its Executive Director Matt Brown, regarding the following:
 - The clearing of holdover leases;
 - Information concerning the updating of operational rules concerning leases;
 - Any anomalies with individual leases;
 - Any information concerning the Accenture contract; and
 - Any data comparing procurement behavior in the Blagojevich administration and previous administrations.

Please be advised that the members of the Procurement Policy Board are: Terrance M. Healy, Chairman; Edward J. Bedore; Carmen K. Triche-Colvin; Michael Bass; and Ricardo Morales.

In addition, as for Tuesday's possible hearing, be advised that we are awaiting confirmation from the United States Attorney as to the propriety of calling these witnesses. The Committee is inquiring into whether the Governor engaged in a pattern of illegally hiring and firing State employees based on improper and illegal criteria:

- Dawn DeFraities
- Michael Case
- Maria Besbekos
- John Hegeler
- Jim Fragakis
- Matt Magalis

Sincerely,



Barbara Flynn Currie



Jim Durkin