

## Sample Appropriations Language Related to Pandemic Flu Preparedness

### *Florida Governor Budget Request:*

The Governor's recommended budget includes \$36,731,617 in nonrecurring General Revenue to establish a state stockpile of antiviral courses to treat influenza.

In June, 2006, the United States Department of Health and Human Services executed contracts with two pharmaceutical manufactures to purchase a national stockpile of antiviral, and provide a 25 percent subsidy for states that choose to establish their own stockpiles. According to an Association of State and Territorial Health Officials Survey, 23 states have identified state funding for antiviral purchases ranging from \$100,000 to \$54,648,000. Both California and New York have identified funds to establish stockpiles, \$54.6 million and \$23 million respectively.

In order to reduce morbidity and mortality from an influenza pandemic in Florida, the Crist/Kottkamp administration is recommending the establishment of a state stockpile of antivirals for the state of Florida. The purchase of 2.3 million courses (460,000 courses of Relenza and 1,840,000 courses of Tamiflu) will support provision of antiviral to an estimated 4.8 million Floridians who seek treatment. The purchase is expected to reduce hospitalization and deaths by 50 percent.

### *North Dakota Budget Language:*

Governor proposed state budget in December which must be adopted by the Legislature April 26th. The new state biennial budget begins 7/1/07. Governor's budget included \$2.3 million "for a pandemic flu, antiviral stockpile of drugs..."

### *Kansas Governor's Emergency Supplemental Budget Language:*

**Flu Pandemic Treatment Products.** The Governor recommends \$4.2 million for the purchase of flu pandemic treatment products. The state already has access to 406,000 doses; however, the additional funding in FY 2007 will give the state 286,000 additional doses of the tablets and inhalers that could be used in the event of a flu pandemic. The \$4.2 million will be used as the 75.0 percent state match required for the additional doses.

### *New York Governor's Executive Budget Proposal Language:*

~ \$29 million for the Department of Health's emergency response capability to stockpile necessary medications and supplies in the event of a pandemic outbreak, such as the avian flu;

### *Ohio Budget Language:*

Below is the line-item appropriation for the purchase of antivirals for pandemic stockpiling purposes which passed in the Ohio Capital Bill (HB 699) in late December 2006. In addition to this line-item, the summary for HB 699 included the following language explaining the line item: In addition, the bill contains a series of corrective and budget-related adjustments that include:

\*\*\*\*Pandemic Preparedness - \$17.5 million to the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) for the purchase of 1.2 million doses of antiviral vaccines for pandemic influenza preparedness\*\*\*\*