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## Qs on payment reversals for Paige Thorson

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Tue, Jul 30, 2019 at 1:15 PM

To: "Highland, Matt" <mhighla@dhs.state.ia.us>

Matt, have you been instructed not to answer any of my questions? I'm following up again.

Please clarify 1) what the July 15 entries represent (an order to refund money to DHS? Or an accidental double payment that needs to be reversed?), 2) whether the governor's office has already transferred that money back to DHS, and 3) whether the governor's office is billing DHS for Paige Thorson's salary in June 2019.

Alternatively, please explain your grounds for refusing to clarify these figures.

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From: **Laura Belin** <desmoinesdem@bleedingheartland.com>

Date: Mon, Jul 29, 2019 at 11:20 AM

Subject: Fwd: Qs on payment reversals for Paige Thorson

To: Highland, Matt <mhighla@dhs.state.ia.us>

Matt, I'm going to keep asking you about the numbers on these tables.

Please clarify 1) what the July 15 entries represent (an order to refund money to DHS? Or an accidental double payment that needs to be reversed?), 2) whether the governor's office has already transferred that money back to DHS, and 3) whether the governor's office is billing DHS for Paige Thorson's salary in June 2019.

Alternatively, please explain your grounds for refusing to clarify these figures.

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From: **Laura Belin** <desmoinesdem@bleedingheartland.com>

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Still seeking answers, Matt.

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From: **Laura Belin** <desmoinesdem@bleedingheartland.com>

Date: Thu, Jul 25, 2019 at 4:52 PM

Subject: Qs on payment reversals for Paige Thorson

To: Highland, Matt <mhighla@dhs.state.ia.us>

Hello Matt,

One page from the records you sent me earlier (attached) lists two payments of \$7,876.22 on July 15. One is labeled "Paige Thorson April 2019--to be reversed," and the other is labeled "Paige Thorson May 2019--to be reversed."

There is no payment listed to cover Paige Thorson's compensation during June 2019.

Does that mean the governor's office decided to refund money to DHS that had been paid to cover 69 percent of Paige Thorson's salary for April and May 2019, and not to invoice the department for June 2019?

If so, why? The memorandum of understanding Jerry Foxhoven signed last year obliged the department to cover 69 percent of her salary and benefits for the entire 2019 fiscal year.

Thanks in advance for any clarification you can provide. If there was some accidental double payment on July 15, and that is what is being reversed, please let me know.

Yours,

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4000000074	40000	05/01	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	-16,800.0000	DHS - Paige Thorson 05/2019 (Reversal)

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