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TITLE 50 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE

LSA Document #04-174

July 7, 2004

The Honorable Jerry Denbo, Chair Administrative Rules Oversight Committee

Re: Notice of Delay in Adoption of Rule providing for a uniform approval of both a mileage and per diem allowance rates that any new assessing official or county assessor who attends the required new official training -- LSA Document #04-174

Dear Representative Denbo:

Notice of Delay

This is to notify you that pursuant to IC 4-22-2-19(c) the Department of Local Government Finance has determined that it may not be able to adopt, and obtain the Governor's approval of, the proposed rule providing for both mileage and a per diem allowance for any new assessing official or county assessor attending the required new official training pursuant to Indiana Code §6-1.1-35.2-2 within one (1) year of the date of the notice of intent to adopt the rule as published under IC 4-22-2-3.

Reasons for Delay

This rule requires the Department of Local Government Finance to prescribe both a mileage and per diem allowance for new assessing official or county assessor. It was initially published in January 2004 under LSA Document #03-6. However, due to a misinterpretation of IC 4-22-2-25, LSA Document #03-6 was not timely; thus, the rule was recalled. A new notice of intent will be published in the July edition of the Indiana Register.

Expected Adoption Date

The Department of Local Government Finance expects to forward a proposed rule to LSA in the near future. It is anticipated that we will be able to adopt the rule and obtain the Governor's approval, sometime by the end of 2004. Because the stated "expected date" will control the validity of the rule, we present this notice and state that we now expect to adopt and obtain the Governor's approval of the rules governing the mileage and per diem allowance rates for new assessing officials, before December 31, 2004.

Your understanding of these circumstances is greatly appreciated. If you need additional information please do not hesitate to contact me at 233-4361. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nandita "Toma" Shepherd Appeals Coordinator

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