State of New Jersen DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY STATE HOUSE EDWARD G. HOFGESANG DIVISION OF CN-221 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625 BUDGET AND ACCOUNTING September 23, 1981 TO: Donald Linky, Chief Counsel Office of Counsel to the Governor Edward G. Hofgesang, Director Division of Budget and Accounting RE: Cabinet Officers Salaries At the recent Cabinet Meeting, the Governor made reference to increasing Cabinet Officers salaries before the new Administration takes office. The salaries for these positions were increased in F.Y. 1981 one-half effective July 1, 1980 and one-half effective April 1, 1981. A suggested increase is attached for the Cabinet and Judges to be effective in two steps - approximately 10% with the first pay period in January, 1982 and the remainder with the first pay period in July, 1982. The percentage increases range from 17.0% to 18.3%. The salary amounts also maintain the existing relationships among the various officials. This also equates to the recent contract settlements for State employees

for Fiscal Years 1982 and 1983. The Chief Justice increase maintains the same relationship that has existed with the Governor's salary, which was suggested to be \$105,000.

The cost of these increases for the balance of F.Y. 1982 in the Executive Branch, not including the cost associated with high level employees whose salaries are currently frozen at \$500 below the Cabinet Officers, is \$61,600. The increases for these employees will be absorbed by the departments from existing appropriations. The cost of these increases for the balance of F.Y. 1982 in the Judiciary is \$700,000. We do not believe that the Judiciary can absorb this increase and therefore, we recommend a supplemental appropriation. Draft legislation is attached.

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Pennsylvania	\$70,000 (effective for next G	overnor)
New York	85,000	
Iowa	60,000	
Michigan	68,800	
Minnesota	66,500	
Texas	78,700	

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