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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Executive Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

Retroactive

Requested Item

Pursuant to RSA 94:3, the Department of Safety, Office of the Commissioner, with the authorization of the Office of the Governor, respectfully requests approval of an annual salary step increase for Colonel Christopher Wagner, Director of the Division of State Police (unclassified position #9U068), in the amount of \$5,699.72 from Grade II, Step 5 (\$109,525.00) to Grade II, Step 6, with a new annual salary of \$115,224.72, effective from October 5, 2017.

Explanation

RSA 94:3 "Yearly Service Increases", states, in part, that "upon recommendation of the appointing authority, the holder of any position mentioned in RSA 94:1-a shall be entitled to an annual increase in salary amounting to 1/5 of the difference between the minimum and maximum salary for said position but in no case shall the total salary exceed the maximum as herein established".

Colonel Wagner was appointed to his position on October 5, 2016 and was eligible to advance to the next step on the salary scale on October 5, 2017. He is charged with oversight of law enforcement on the State level; which includes seven troop stations statewide; the Marine Patrol; 28 State Police Units, including the NH Hospital Campus Police; and the Forensic Laboratory. The Colonel is innovative and works meticulously in his efforts to provide NH residents with the highest quality law enforcement service.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner