TO: Agency Secretaries  
Department Directors  
Departmental Budget Officers  
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FROM: DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

This Budget Letter (BL) serves to notify state departments that the 3-percent federal withholding requirements under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 3402(t) have been repealed by the passage of H.R. 674, Three Percent Withholding Repeal and Job Creation Act, on November 21, 2011. IRC section 3402(t) would have required governmental entities to withhold 3 percent from certain payments for property or services, remit the withheld amounts to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and report the payments and withholdings to the IRS and to the payees. Therefore, departments no longer need to prepare for this requirement.

If you have questions regarding this BL, please contact the Fiscal Systems and Consulting Unit at (916) 324-0385 or by e-mail at FSCUHotline@dof.ca.gov.

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