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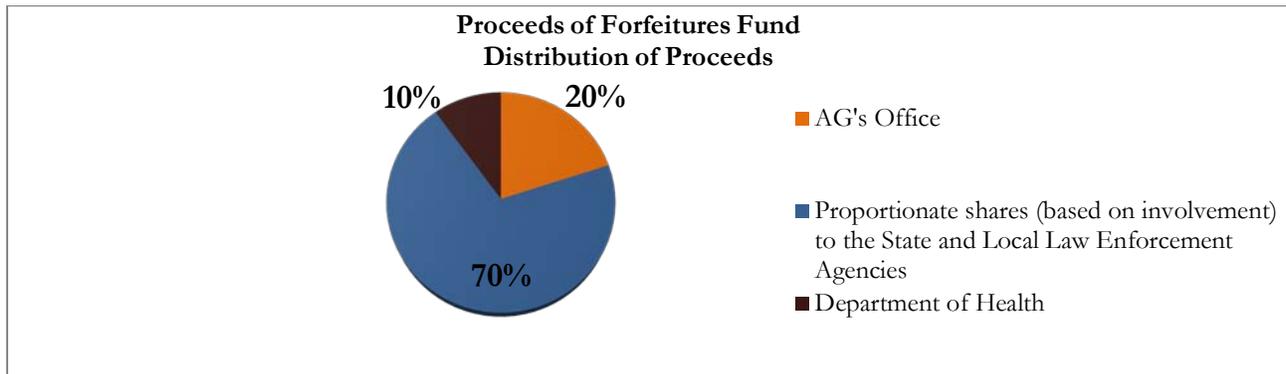
CC: David Rodriguez, Asset Forfeiture Coordinator, Attorney General's Office

From: Patrick Marr, Chief of Staff

Date: August 29, 2016

Re: 2015 Annual Forfeited Money Report – Uniform Controlled Substances Act:

In accordance with RIGL 21-28-5.04, between January 1 and January 30 of each year, each law enforcement agency shall file a report with the general treasurer detailing the money forfeited during the previous calendar year and the use or disposition of the property or money. The report shall be provided to the local governmental bodies governing the law enforcement agencies and the house and senate judiciary committees. Attached herewith, the office the General Treasurer is providing both the Senate and House Judiciary Committees with the attached 2015 annual Forfeited Property and Money report. The information contained in this report was received from the Attorney General's Office in March 2016 which, as a practical matter, maintains these accounting records.



FUND 1: PROCEEDS OF FORFEITURES FUND - RIGL§ 21-28-5.04(b)(3)(i)(B)– The proceeds are to be held in a Separate Treasury Fund. The funds will be disbursed upon an agreement being reached by the law enforcement agencies with the assistance of AG's office determining how to proportionately divide the 70% detailed below. If no agreement is reached, then one of the agencies must go to the presiding justice of superior court and the justice will make the determination.

FUND 2: STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND-RIGL§ 21-28-5.04 (b)(3)(i)(B)(ii)- When a share of the 70% detailed above is disbursed to a state law enforcement agency; it shall be maintained in a separate account by the general treasurer. (Local enforcement agencies have their own fund.)

Fund 2- Treasury Responsibility: Maintain the fund.

FUND 3: ASSET FORFEITURE FUND -RIGL§ 21-28-5.04 (c) – Administered by the general treasurer for Forfeitures before July 1, 1987. Upon application by any law enforcement agency, the AG's office may apply to the presiding superior court justice for release of funds.

Fund 3- Treasury Responsibility: Administer the fund in accordance with RIGL§ 21-28-5.04 (c).