



North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety

Beverly Eaves Perdue, Governor

Reuben F. Young, Secretary

August 24, 2011

The Honorable Phil Berger
President Pro-Tempore
North Carolina Senate
Legislative Building, Room 2008
Raleigh, NC 27601-2808

The Honorable Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House
North Carolina House of Representatives
State Legislative Building, Room 2304
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear Speaker Tillis and Senator Berger:

Pursuant to Section 16.2 of the 2009 Appropriations Act, the Division of Alcohol Law Enforcement is a participant in the Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property Program with the United States Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Treasury. As a result of participation in this program and the support of the Joint Legislative Commission on Government Operations, ALE, has been able to provide valuable equipment and support to its members in the pursuit of its mission. The items included in this request are needed to enhance officer and public safety, provide more efficient communications, training opportunities, and the ability to secure evidence of crimes.

This correspondence from the Division of ALE reports their intent to use \$144,400.00 in Federal Asset Forfeiture funds to support the purchases listed below. As of August 4, 2011, the balance for the Federal Seizure Fund held by ALE was \$3,328,434.50. If this request is approved, the new balance of this account revenue will be \$3,184,034.50. If you have any questions about any of these purchases, please contact my office at (919) 733-2126.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Reuben F. Young". The signature is stylized with a large, flowing "R" and "Y".

Reuben F. Young
Secretary

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cc: ALE Director John Ledford
Mr. Bennie Aiken
Mr. Marvin Mervin

ITEM REQUESTED	AMOUNT
Covert Funds: Being sworn law enforcement officers, ALE Agents make controlled purchases of illicit alcoholic beverages and controlled substances for administrative violations and criminal cases. The funds requested will be utilized in the nine districts to facilitate these purchases.	\$50,000.00
Ballistic Vests: Being sworn law enforcement officers, ALE Agents are exposed to potentially deadly situations where they may encounter arms fire. Recently the federal ratings for ballistic vests have been upgraded and the Division's current ballistic vests would not meet the new requirements at the current threat level. The Division would utilize these funds to purchase new ballistic vests for agents to wear during their enforcement duties.	\$89,600.00
Emergency Medical Supplies: ALE Agents are exposed to varying conditions and circumstances such as search warrant executions, hostile crowds, and violent arrest situations in various environmental conditions. With these types of encounters comes the possibility that someone may become injured and suffer the loss of blood. With the funds requested the Division would purchase 120 packages of clotting accelerant to be used in emergency situations.	\$4,800.00
	\$144,400.00