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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairs of House Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety  
Chairs of Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety

FROM: Robert "Bob" Schurmeier, Director, SBI

RE: Federal Seized/Forfeited Assets Report

DATE: July 5, 2017

Dear Chairmen & Chairwomen,

*Pursuant of Section 16B.2(a) of Session Law 2017-57, The Department of Public Safety and the Department of Justice shall make the following reports to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety:*

- (1) *A report upon receipt of any assets.*
- (2) *A report that shall be made prior to use of the assets on their intended use and the departmental priorities on which the assets may be expended.*
- (3) *A report on receipts, expenditures, encumbrances, and availability of these assets for the previous fiscal year, which shall be made no later than September 1 of each year.*

The Alcohol Law Enforcement Branch 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 North Carolina House and Senate Committees on Justice and Public Safety, the Section 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.

This correspondence reports the Alcohol Law Enforcements Branch's intent to use \$255,000 in Federal Asset Forfeiture Funds to support the law enforcement and public safety purchases listed below. As of July 5, 2017 the balance of the Federal Asset Forfeiture held by this Section is \$2,854,761.75. The new balance of this this account will be \$2,599,761.75 after the listed expenditures. Should you have any questions about these purchases, please contact my office at (919)-662-4500.

Sincerely,

  
Robert Schurmeier  
Director

ITEM REQUESTED	AMOUNT
<b>Moveable and Replaceable Items:</b> The funds would be utilized to replace aging and inefficient items that support operational functions. As an example of items which may be included in this, but not limited to, are mobile data terminal computers, copy machines, printers, office furniture, desktop computers, and printer ink cartridges.	\$85,000.00
<b>Clothing and Personal Protective Replaceable Equipment:</b> The funds would be utilized to purchase items that are issued to Special Agents. As an example of items which may be included in this, but not limited to, are boots, weapon holsters, rain gear, firearms accessories, tasers, flashlights, shirts pants, coats, jackets, bullet proof vests, gun cleaning kits, protective goggles, and latex gloves.	\$95,000.00
<b>Training:</b> Training is an essential tool in the investigation and enforcement process. In order to maintain the highest level of efficiency and safety, continual training is paramount. This funding will allow specific training to accomplish Branch goals through the ability of agents to attend training activities to enhance their ability to perform their given tasks at a higher level of proficiency. Areas of training include such things as search warrant preparation, criminal process, leadership, management, and advanced criminal investigations, which are essential for professional development and advancement of the Branch's goals.	\$75,000.00
<b>Total:</b>	\$255,000.00