DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES FY 2019 CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION BOARD

Claims and Eligibility

Issue: CICB should comment on the decline in the number of eligible claims for which awards were made and the effect on estimated federal grant funding.

The decline in the number of awards is directly related to the recent decline in special funds. The CICB receives a 60% match from the Federal Government for the amount CICB pays out in awards the prior fiscal year. Since special funds have declined, the CICB is unable to award as many claims so the Federal match may also decline. However, there has not been a major change in the number of compensable claims received and processed by CICB. All claims eligible for compensation are awarded as funds become available.

<u>Staffing</u>

Issue: CICB should comment on the current vacancy level and its effect on operations.

While the Department was able to fill the previously vacant Executive Director position, the Department is working diligently to fill the two vacant Claims Examiner positions.

Recommended Actions

1. Concur with Governor's Allowance

Response: The Department concurs with the recommended action.