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DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH LOCAL REALIGNMENT MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT (MOE) REDUCTION Pursuant to Chapter 6, Statutes of 1996 (SB 681) Figs. 1996, 97

Fiscal Year 1996-97 Statewide \$25,000,000 Alameda 1,587,222 Alpine 0 Amador 0 Butte 139,538 Calaveras 3,697 Colusa 4.134 Contra Costa 555.784 Del Norte 6.418 El Dorado 8.490 Fresno 491,433 Glenn 5,217 Humboldt 22,526 Imperial 9,633 Inyo 12,268 Kern 383.045 17,767 Kings 20,754 Lake Lassen 0 Los Angeles 8,468,504 Madera 4,335 Marin 272,286 1,707 Mariposa Mendocino 14,831 Merced 137,258 Modoc ñ Mono 3,677 Monterey 273,927 Napa 64,957

COMPUTATION OF MONTHLY MOE FUNDS

I. Pre SB 681 MOE for 96-97 = \$12,000

Monthly Deposit = \$ 1,000

Deposits made July 1996 through Dec. 1996 = \$ 6,000

II. Post SB 681 MOE for 96-97 = \$ 9,000

COMPUTATION:

\$9,000 Reduced 96-97 MOE
- \$6,000 6 Months Deposit (July through Dec.)
\$3,000 Balance due for Jan. 1997
through June 1997

\$3,000/6 = \$500 Monthly deposit