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§ 4-1.06 LIMITED ADJUSTMENTS OF APPROPRIATIONS

a. LIMITED CONTINUATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, any unexpended balances on the books of the State Comptroller as of the last day of the previous biennium shall be continued in force for such period, not exceeding 10 days from such date, as may be necessary in order to permit payment of any claims, demands or liabilities incurred prior to such date and unpaid at the close of business on such date, and shown by audit in the Department of Accounts to be a just and legal charge, for values received as of the last day of the previous biennium, against such unexpended balances.

b. LIMITATIONS ON CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, the State Comptroller may begin preparing the accounts of the Commonwealth for each subsequent fiscal year on or about 10 days before the start of such fiscal year. The books will be open only to enter budgetary transactions and transactions that will not require the receipt or disbursement of funds until after June 30. Should an emergency arise, or in years in which July 1 falls on a weekend requiring the processing of transactions on or before June 30, the State Comptroller may, with the written concurrence of the Auditor of Public Accounts, authorize the disbursement of funds drawn against appropriations of the subsequent fiscal year, not to exceed the sum of three million dollars ($3,000,000) from the general fund. This provision does not apply to debt service payments on bonds of the Commonwealth which shall be made in accordance with bond documents, trust indentures, and/or escrow agreements.