



**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. JBE 16-05**

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***REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE BRANCH CONTRACTS***

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**WHEREAS,** the State of Louisiana is in an unprecedented fiscal crisis for FY 2016 and FY 2017;

**WHEREAS,** the Commissioner of Administration is conducting a review of all state expenditures to find opportunities for savings and responsible reductions;

**WHEREAS,** as a part of this process, it is vital for the Commissioner of Administration have a review done of all professional, personal, and consulting contracts; and

**WHEREAS,** all offices, departments, agencies, boards, commissions, and budget units of the executive branch shall undertake a review of all professional, personal, and consulting contracts to determine the necessity of each contract, the appropriateness of the expense of the contract, and whether any savings can be found from reduction or elimination of the contract.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS,** Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

**SECTION 1:** All offices, departments, agencies, boards, commissions, and/or budget units of the executive branch of the State of Louisiana or as described in and/or funded by appropriations through Acts 16 and 46 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature (hereafter "Acts"), shall undertake a review of all professional, personal, and consulting contracts to determine the necessity of each contract, the appropriateness of the expense of the contract, and whether any savings can be found from reduction or elimination of the contract.

**SECTION 2:** All of the above offices, departments, agencies, boards, commissions, and/or budget units of the executive branch shall prepare a written report detailing the results of this review to the Commissioner of Administration within thirty (30) days of this order.

**SECTION 3:** The Commissioner of Administration shall review all submitted reports and shall order the cancellation or reduction of any professional, personal, or consulting contracts deemed to be inappropriate, unnecessary, or duplicative.

**SECTION 4:** The Commissioner of Administration is authorized to develop additional guidelines as necessary to facilitate the administration of this order.

**SECTION 5:** All departments, commissions, boards, offices, entities, agencies, and officers of the State of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate in the implementation of the

provisions of this order.

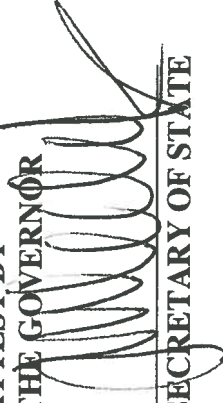
**SECTION 6:**

This order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect unless amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

  
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**GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA**

**ATTEST BY**  
**THE GOVERNOR**  
  
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**SECRETARY OF STATE**