STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5-92

EXECUTIVE ORDER CONTINUING THE CAPITAL FINANCE ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized pursuant to Section 2-15-122, MCA, to create an Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, the Montana State Legislature has authorized state agencies to incur indebtedness through the issuance of notes, bonds, and certificates to the public to support a wide variety of activities in furtherance of various public purposes; and

WHEREAS, a coordinated approach to scheduling the issuance of obligations is expected to enhance marketing of such obligations by the State of Montana; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to present a coordinated strategy to fiance Montana's capital investment to the rating agencies to enhance the credit ratings of obligations issued by the state and its agencies; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to communicate to investors, underwriters, and credit analysts the state's debt management policies and financial plans so that these market participants understand the state's management and control of debt issuance practices; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to create a council whose purpose is to review, analyze, coordinate, and harmonize the borrowing patterns of the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STAN STEPHENS, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me in accordance with Section 2-15-122, MCA, do hereby continue the Capital Finance Advisory Council.

I. <u>Definitions</u>

As used in this Order, the following terms shall have the following meaning:

1. "Council" shall mean the Capital Finance Advisory Council.

- "Issuer" small mean any state agency which issues obligations authorized by state law.
- "Agency" shall mean any state agency under the authority of the Governor as enumerated in Title 1. Thapter 15, MCA.
- "Obligations" shall mean notes, bonds, or certificates issued or to be issued by any state agency to finance or fund one or more activity, program, or project, including obligations issued in anticipation of taxes, income, or revenues derived from any source or to redeem or refinance outstanding obligations.

II. Obligations

This Council shall have 14 members consisting of the following persons or their designees:

Council Member

Representing

Mr. Bob Marks, Director Department of Administration Sam W. Mitchell Building Helena, MT 59620

Department of Administration

Mr. Steve Yeakel, Director Office of Budget & Program Planning Program Planning State Capitol Helena, MT 59620

Mr. Everett Snortland, Director Department of Agriculture & Agriculture Loan Authority Department of Agriculture Scott Hart Building Helena, MT 59620

Agriculture Loan Authority

Mr. Dennis Iverson, Director Department of Health & Environmental Sciences Cogswell Building Helena, MT 59620

Department of Health & Environmental Sciences

Mr. John Rothwell, Director Department of Transportation 2701 Prospect Avenue Helena, MT 59620

Department of Transportation

Mr. Chuck Brooke, Director Department of Commerce 1424 9th Avenue Helena, MT 59620

Department of Commerce and Montana Science and Technology Alliance

Ms. Karen Barclay Fagg, Director Department of Natural Resources Department of Natural Resources & Conservation 1520 East 6th Avenue Helena, MT 59620

& Conservation

ir. Warren Waughn, Chairperson Board of Investments Board of Investments 555 Fuller Avenue Helena, MT 59620-0125

Amos R. Little, M.D., Chairperson Health Facilities Authority Montana Health Facilities Authority 555 Fuller Avenue Helena, MT 59620-0125

Mr. William Mathers, Chairperson Montana Higher Education Montana Higher Education Student Assistance Corporation 33 S. Last Chance Gulch Helena, MT 59620-3101

Student Assistance Corporation

Mr. William Mathers, Chairperson Board of Regents Board of Regents 33 S. Last Chance Gulch Helena, MT 59620-3101

Mr. Tom Mather, Chairperson Montana Board of Housing Montana Board of Housing 2001 11th Avenue Helena, MT 59620-0528

Sen. Delwyn Gage P.O. Box 787 Cut Bank, MT 59427

Montana Legislature

Rep. Francis Bardanouve P.O. Box 367 Harlem, MT 59526

Montana Legislature

The Council shall be chaired by the Director of the Department of Administration and shall be attached to the department for administrative purposes. Employees of the Department of Administration shall serve as staff to the Council as directed by the chairperson.

III. Duties of the Advisory Council

The Council shall:

- Provide continued oversight of state obligations, and review the form of obligations to ensure consistency with authorizing legislation and state financial policies.
- 2. Prepare a state debt management plan and review, analyze, and monitor the trends in state obligations to provide information to issuers to make informed decisions about financing methods and the structuring and timing of obligations.
- Compile and continually update a statewide master debt issuance schedule from agency financing plans to facilitate coordination of debt issues.

- 4. Furnish, advise, gather information, and make recommendations to the Governor as it deems appropriate.
- E. Notify the members of the Board of Examiners of all meetings, invite Board participants, and keep the Board informed about Council activities.
- 5. The Department of Administration shall consult with the Council in employing and establishing the duties of a statewide financial advisor.
- 7. The Council shall not supersede the activities or authority of independent agencies, but shall serve as a coordinating council to provide a formal linkage of information among and between state obligation issuers thereby serving as an effective mechanism to promote fiscal management.

IV. Duties of State Agencies

- obligation schedule, each issuer shall summit, as requested, a financing plan identifying the amounts to be borrowed, the approximate time of debt issuance, description of the projects or programs to be financed, an explanation of the security structure supporting the proposed obligation and provide an explanation of the purpose of the financing, along with the key features to the extent known.
- 2. All agencies shall cooperate with and provide such assistance as the Council may request.

V. Compensation

Members will be compensated as provided in Section 2-15-122(5), MCA. Each board, authority, corporation, or agency is responsible for the expenses incurred by its representative on the Council. The Department of Administration is responsible for the expenses incurred by legislative representatives.

VI. Duration

This Advisory Council shall remain in existence for a period of two years from the effective date of this order unless extended

or terminated by executive order.

This Order is effective immediately.

Given under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this day of March, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Two.

STAN STEPHENS

Governor

ATTEST:

MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State