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OFFICE OF
THE GOVERNOR

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PREPARATION FOR SPECIAL SESSION OF THE 105TH LEGISLATURE

Planning has begun for a Special Session of the 105th Legislature to be called early in 1972. As part of this process, Department Heads should submit all legislative, budgetary, and capital proposals they wish to have considered at a Special Session to me by October 29. Earlier submissions are encouraged.

All such proposals should be in memoranda clearly designated Special Session Proposals. An original and three copies of all memoranda should be forwarded. Copies of all budgetary and capital requests should also be sent to the Budget Office or Bureau of Public Improvements.

Initial receipt of these memoranda will not be acknowledged. However, during November, members of the Governor's staff and representatives of the Department of Finance and Administration will discuss proposals with Department Heads.

This order does not affect the government reorganization efforts already under way. The procedures established by the Joint Select Committee of the Legislature and the State Planning Office for that phase of Special Session preparation should continue to be pursued.

In developing Special Session proposals, Department Heads should confine themselves to items they regard as truly urgent. While the emergency nature of the Special Session has changed somewhat over the years, we should remember the severe time restraints inherent in a Special Session. Desirable items appropriate for consideration at a regular session will simply have to await 1973.

This order shall become effective immediately.