

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Judy Dowd

FROM: Ellen Weber Lachance  
Executive Director

DATE: November 25, 2009

RE: **2009-2011 Mid-Term Budget Adjustment**

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Enclosed please find a signed hard copy of the 2009-2011 Mid-Term Budget Adjustment and one copy. Any questions, please feel free to call me. Thanks.

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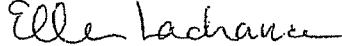
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## Midterm Adjustments to the FY 2011 Budget - Reduction Adjustment

PSR56000 - Psychiatric Security Review Board    11000 - General Fund

### **Mandated 5% Budget Option Reduction**

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Priority: 1  
Creation Date: 11/23/2009

#### **Description & Reason**

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#### **Impact of Proposal**

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Measure Statistic	2009 Actual	2010 Estimated	2011 Base	2011 Adjustment	2011 Revised	2012 Adjustment
PSRB hearings (Number of hearing dates)	25	27	26	0	0	26
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#### **Positions / Financials**

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SID Code / Title						
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