LIEAP / Weatherization Background

The following table presents the recent federal energy assistance allotments to the state (in millions of dollars), including the amount retained by SRS and the amount transferred to the Weatherization Program. The state receives energy assistance funding from two sources: block grant funding and emergency funding. Currently, SRS transfers 15 percent of the block grant funding to the Weatherization Program. Emergency funds are retained by SRS for direct energy assistance.

	LIHEAP Block Grant			Emergency Funds		Combined		
Federal								
Fiscal Year	Total	SRS	Weath	Total	SRS	Total	SRS	Weath
2004	\$15.0	\$12.8	\$2.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$15.4	\$13.1	\$2.3
2 005	15.9	13.5	2.4	1.8	1.8	17.7	15.3	2.4
2006	26.8	22.8	4.0	0.9	0.9	27.7	23.7	4.0
2007	16.7	14.2	2.5	3.1	3.1	19.7	17.2	2.5
2008	16.7	14.2	2.5	4.3	4.3	20.9	18.4	2.5
2009*	14.3	12.1	2.1	2.7	2.7	17.0	14.8	2.1

^{*} President's budget proposal

The next table shows the additional funding that would have been transferred to the Weatherization Program (in millions), assuming a 15 percent transfer level:

	Total	15% of
Federal	Emergency	Emergency
Fiscal Year	Funds	Funds
2004	0.289	0.051
2005	1.544	0.272
2006	0.784	0.138
2007	2.597	0.458
2008	3.642	0.643
2009*	2.294	0.405

^{*} President's budget proposal

It is noted that the emergency releases are made at the President's discretion, generally occur after December, and have occurred as late as August and September (after the state fiscal year has ended). The timing and amount of emergency funds are highly variable.