

## HB 101 Confidentiality Update

Email sent to Finance Officers from Margaret Jordan, Director Bureau of Financial Control, June 6, 2008

In response to HB 101 of the 2008 Legislative Session, DFA is working on the deployment of a publicly accessible website for display of state agency expenditures effective July 1 for BY2009 transactions. The bill specifically excludes confidential information, and DFA has determined that certain types of payments made from SAAS may be confidential. For those payments, the vendor name, address and line description will be excluded from the website information.

As the policies and procedures are developed related to confidentially, we want to gain an understanding of the types of confidential payments made by your agency. Currently, the payment voucher (PV) document is being changed to capture a confidential flag to be entered as "Y" or "N". Please tell us the types of confidential payments you make, how often they are made and the type of vendors these payments are made to. If there is a state or federal law that governs the confidentially of your payments, please give us the statute reference. Also tell us if your agency makes no confidential payments.

We are **NOT** going to include as part of the data available July 1 the salary information for state employees. We are still investigating this issue as well as other issues related to the reporting of expenditure data related to grants, projects, and contracts.

If you have any questions, you may email or call me (Margaret Jordan) at [jordanm@dfa.state.ms.us](mailto:jordanm@dfa.state.ms.us) or 601-359-3010, or Diane Langham at [langhad@dfa.state.ms.us](mailto:langhad@dfa.state.ms.us) or 601-359-2061.

Please respond to me by email no later than Wednesday, June 11.