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Mr. Buehler,

The Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environmental Quality Appropriations Subcommittee is aware of several instances where incorporated cities have not reimbursed the Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands for fire suppression costs on their lands. The subcommittee recognizes that the costs for fire suppression on incorporated lands are not the responsibility of the State, but rather, an obligation of the incorporated municipalities where the fires occur. As these cities are delinquent and have refused to pay, the subcommittee requests the division forward the necessary information to the Office of the Attorney General to take legal action to recover the delinquent amounts. Please report on your progress to the subcommittee during the 2013 Interim.

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