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**State budget director submits three Governor’s Amendments to recommended budget for FY 2013**

**JEFFERSON CITY, MO** – **State Budget Director Linda Luebbering** today filed three Governor’s Amendments to Gov. Jay Nixon’s recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2013. These amendments are as follows:

* The first amendment adds $18 million, $17.75 million of which would be available to assist the Senate with fully restoring vital health care services to approximately 2,800 needy blind Missourians. These additional funds are available to the state because of additional Medicaid earnings.
* The second amendment uses the remaining $250,000 to respond to and analyze the impact of Missouri’s military bases on the nation’s military readiness and economy.
* The third amendment adds $50 million to implement a more efficient, computer-driven enrollment system for state health care programs. Federal funding is available for the purpose of implementing this enrollment system.

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