**FY 2017 Appropriation Certifications**
The FY 2017 Form 78 Certification deadline was August 18th. Agencies continue to work hard to certify and close their appropriations. Emails have been sent to the agencies who only have a few appropriations left to certify, requiring that they complete those certifications today, or forward a list of the remaining uncertified appropriations by the end of today, along with the issue that is preventing them from certifying (if they have not already forwarded that list).

Many of the remaining Form 78 issues are related to the beginning balance and collected revenue calculations. The FY 2017 Balance from Prior Year should now match closely (within $10) with the FY 2016 Closing Balance Continuing on all Form 78’s. **Agencies should not spend additional time analyzing beginning balances for the Form 78 certifications. If the FY 2017 beginning balance is in line with the FY 2016 ending balance, the agency may certify the appropriation.**

The SCO will be reviewing all beginning balance issues later this year, after the closing/financial reporting season are completed.

**FY 2017 Non-Statutory Lapses**
The SCO is working to confirm that agencies have completed their non-statutory lapses. To do this, staff must identify the journals that were processed for the lapses. Agencies were instructed to inform the SCO of the journals numbers, however, in many cases they have not.

**By the end of today (8/31),** agencies must forward the journal ID’s for their non-statutory lapses to Lori Keil and copy Cory Johnson and Karolyn Cassidy.