Amend HB 1259 (house committee printing) on page 1, between lines 16 and 17, by inserting the following:

(c) Notwithstanding the requirement under Section 402.0212(a) that the attorney general provide legal services to a state agency if the attorney general denies approval of a contract for legal services, the attorney general shall, in a timely manner, assist the board with selecting alternative outside legal counsel if the attorney general denies approval under that section of the board's request for outside legal counsel.