A company needs $\$ 150,000$ each year for regular payments. Converting the company's short-term investments into cash to meet these regular payments incurs a fixed cost of $\$ 400$ per transaction. These short-term investments pay interest of $5 \%$ per year, while the company earns interest of only $1 \%$ per year on cash deposits.

## According to the Baumol Model, what is the optimum amount of short-term investments to convert into cash in each transaction?

A $\$ 38,730$
B $\$ 48,990$
C $\$ 54,772$
D $\$ 63,246$

