

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, February 27, 2015
TIME: 8:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room C310
MEMBERS PRESENT: Senators Co-chairman Cameron, Keough, Mortimer, Bair, Nuxoll, Johnson, Thayn, Guthrie, Schmidt, Lacey
Representatives Co-chairman Bell, Gibbs, Miller, Youngblood, Burtenshaw, Horman, Malek, Monks, King, Gannon
ABSENT/ EXCUSED: None
CONVENED: Chairman Bell called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

PRESENTER: Paul Headlee, Deputy Division Manager, Division of Budget & Policy Analysis
SUBJECT: State Board of Education: Health Education Program

Mr. Headlee read through the line items pertaining to the budget request for the State Board of Education: Health Education Programs. There are six line items in this appropriation.

Line item #1 provides \$186,300 ongoing from the General Fund for the third year of a five-year program, Targeted Rural Under-Served Track (TRUST) medical students approved in FY 2014.

Line item #2 provides \$186,300 ongoing from the General Fund for the second year of five-year program for medial students approved for FY 2015.

Line item #3 provides 1.0 FTP and \$287,000 from the General Fund to add five new first-year medical students in the WWAMI Program and for curriculum revisions. Of this amount, \$140,600 is ongoing for personnel costs, \$46,400 for operating expenditures, and \$100,000 is one-time for the curriculum revisions.

Line item #4, provides \$180,000 ongoing from the General Fund to Provide six additional residents to the Kootenai Health Family Medicine Residencies program.

Line item #5, provides 1.5 FTP and \$502,200 ongoing from the General Funds for Family Medicine Residencies. This funding provides the \$411,300 for the Family Medicine Residency of Idaho program and \$90,900 for the Idaho State University Family Medicine Residency Program.

Line item #6, provides \$36,400 ongoing from the General Fund to the Psychiatry Residencies Program for Personnel costs to place psychiatry residents in undeserved communities.

This appropriation would include carry over of unencumbered and unspent dedicated

funds from FY 2015 into FY 2016 for the Dental Education Program. This would also include exemptions object code transfer provisions of Idaho Code for dedicated funds.

CARRIED: **Original Motion**

State Board of Education
Health Education Programs

Appropriation

Moved by **Johnson**, seconded by **Horman**, to approve for introduction \$12,795,300 General Funds, \$303,500 Dedicated Funds, \$0 Federal Funds for a total of \$13,098,800 with FTP of 23.80
C/O Dental Ed

Ayes: 19

Cameron, Keough, Bair, Mortimer, Nuxoll, Johnson, Thayn, Guthrie, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Gibbs, Miller, Youngblood, Horman, Malek, Burtenshaw, King, Gannon

Nays: 1

Monks

Ab/Ex: 0

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Bell**.

PRESENTER: **Paul Headlee, Deputy Division Manager, Division of Budget & Policy Analysis**

SUBJECT: **State Board of Education: Special Programs**

Mr. Headlee read through the line items pertaining to the budget request for the State Board of Education: Special Programs. Totals for this appropriation include 38.13 FTP, \$9,836,700 from General Fund and \$2,083,400 of federal funds for a total of \$11,920,100.

FAILED: **Substitute Motion**

State Board of Education
Special Programs

Appropriation

Moved by **Keough**, seconded by **Lacey**, to approve for introduction \$9,926,300 General Funds, \$0 Dedicated Funds, \$2,083,400 Federal Funds for a total of \$12,009,700 with FTP of 39.13

Ayes: 9

Cameron, Keough, Bair, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Youngblood, Malek, King

Nays: 11

Mortimer, Nuxoll, Johnson, Thayn, Guthrie, Gibbs, Miller, Horman, Monks, Burtenshaw, Gannon

Ab/Ex: 0

CARRIED: **Original Motion**

State Board of Education
Special Programs

Appropriation

Moved by **Mortimer**, seconded by **King**, to approve for introduction \$9,836,700 General Funds, \$0 Dedicated Funds, \$2,083,400 Federal Funds for a total of \$11,920,100 with FTP of 38.13

Ayes: 20

Cameron, Keough, Bair, Mortimer, Nuxoll, Johnson, Thayn, Guthrie, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Gibbs, Miller, Youngblood, Horman, Malek, Monks, Burtenshaw, King, Gannon

Nays: 0

Ab/Ex: 0

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Bell**.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: On request by **King**, granted by unanimous consent, the legislative intent language was accepted.

INTENT LANGUAGE: **SECTION 4:** It is the Intent of the Legislature the moneys appropriated from the General Fund to the Scholarship and Grants Program for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 that are unexpended and unencumbered shall be transferred to the Opportunity Scholarship Program Account created in Section 33-4303, Idaho Code.

PRESENTER: **Paul Headlee, Deputy Division Manager, Division of Budget & Policy Analysis**

SUBJECT: **State Board of Education: Office of the State Board of Education**

Mr. Headlee Read through the line items pertaining to the FY 2016 appropriation for the Office of the State Board of Education.

Line item #1, provides 1.5 FTP and \$129,400 ongoing from the General Fund for the Charter School Commission Program. Of this amount, \$104,900 is for personnel costs and \$24,500 is for operating expenses and travel costs.

Line item #2, provides \$20,800 ongoing from dedicated funds to the OSBE Administration Program for the personnel costs to support the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA).

Also included in this appropriation is carryover authority for federal funds and the Charter School Authorizers Fund.

CARRIED: **Original Motion**

State Board of Education
Office of the State Board of Education

Appropriation

Moved by **Horman**, seconded by **Lacey**, to approve for introduction \$2,441,500 General Funds, \$688,500 Dedicated Funds, \$2,727,500 Federal Funds for a total of \$5,857,500 with FTP of 25.75

C/O Fed and Charter School Authorizers Fund

Ayes: 20

Cameron, Keough, Bair, Mortimer, Nuxoll, Johnson, Thayn, Guthrie, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Gibbs, Miller, Youngblood, Horman, Malek, Monks, Burtenshaw, King, Gannon

Nays: 0

Ab/Ex: 0

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Bell**.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PRESENTER: **Ray Houston, Principal Analyst, Office of the Governor**

SUBJECT: **Office of the Governor: Office of Species Conservation**

Mr. Houston read through the line items pertaining to the request for the Office of Species Conservation. Included with the JFAC Base is \$8,300 for benefit costs, a reduction of \$200 for statewide cost allocation, and \$24,900 for CEC. Also included, line item #1, a \$500,000 [one time] for sage grouse conservation. The Governor's Recommendation is \$1,004,800 from the General Fund, \$15,000 from dedicated funds, and \$12,785,700 from federal funds for a total \$13,805,500 to the Office of Species Conservation for FY 2016.

There was no request for replacement items or inflationary increases, and funding for the Governor's Greater Sage Grouse Conservation Initiative has been included. Mr. Houston further discussed how these efforts offer the best option for conserving sage grouse habitat and avoid the unnecessary listing of the species while taking land-use activities into account.

CARRIED: **Original Motion**

Office of the Governor
Office of Species Conservation

Appropriation

Moved by **Burtenshaw**, seconded by **Miller**, to approve for introduction \$1,004,800 General Funds, \$15,000 Dedicated Funds, \$12,785,700 Federal Funds for a total of \$13,805,500 with FTP of 12.00

Ayes: 20

Cameron, Keough, Bair, Mortimer, Nuxoll, Johnson, Thayn, Guthrie, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Gibbs, Miller, Youngblood, Horman, Malek, Monks, Burtenshaw, King,

Gannon
Nays: 0
Ab/Ex: 0

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Bell**.

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

PRESENTER: Ray Houston, Principal Analyst, Division of Budget and Policy Analysis

SUBJECT: Department of Fish and Game

Mr. Houston discussed the FY 2015 appropriation and FY 2016 budget request for the Department of Fish and Game. This motion is identical to the Governor's original Recommendation with three exceptions: First, the funding for health insurance to part-time employees is half of the requested amount to account for the lower than expected health insurance costs, a [one time] allocation for the Shooting Range Development, and \$5,400 to cover the rent increase to be paid to the Military Division for the communication sites shared by the Department of Fish and Game.

CARRIED: Original Motion

Department of Fish and Game

Appropriation

Moved by **Lacey**, seconded by **Miller**, to approve for introduction \$0 General Funds, \$51,991,100 Dedicated Funds, \$43,730,800 Federal Funds for a total of \$95,721,900 with FTP of 558.00

Ayes: 18

Cameron, Keough, Bair, Mortimer, Nuxoll, Johnson, Thayn, Guthrie, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Gibbs, Miller, Youngblood, Monks, Burtenshaw, King, Gannon

Nays: 0

Ab/Ex: 2

Horman, Malek

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Bell**.

SPECIAL HEARING

PRESENTER: Will Goodman, Chief Technology Officer, State Department of Education

SUBJECT: Mr. Will Goodman provided the committee with a status, positive report, and update on the implementation of HB #168– The Continuation of Broadband Services to Public Schools

Webinars, personal phone calls, and technical assistance have been made available to public schools affected by **HB 168**. Efforts have been made to secure e-rate funding for each public school. Currently, there is only one district that does not have an alternative provider in place. Alternative broadband connectivity providers have been found and schools should be able to make the transition with as little interruption as possible. E-rate funding is being made available and schools are reporting back with details of what is happening in every district.

Mr. Goodman has dedicated 100% of his staff for this transition and has turned out a very impressive level of performance considering the weekly cost of the department.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Bell adjourned the meeting at 9:13 a.m.

Representative Bell
Chair

Christi Cox
Secretary