

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, March 05, 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(Malek), Monks, King, Gannon
ABSENT/ EXCUSED: None
CONVENED: **Chairman Bell** called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

BUDGET SETTING

PRESENTER: **Jared Hoskins, Senior Analyst, Division of Budget & Policy Analysis**
SUBJECT: **State Board of Education: Division Of Vocational Rehabilitation**
Mr. Hoskins read through the line items pertaining to the Budget Request for the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. Additionally, the spending authority for federal grant funds is provided which will be dedicated solely to services and supports for the agency's customers. There is no need for matching General or Dedicated Funds associated with this Federal Fund Spending Authority.

CARRIED: **Original Motion**
State Board of Education
Vocational Rehabilitation
Appropriation
Moved by **Guthrie**, seconded by **King**, to approve for introduction \$7,557,800 General Funds, \$2,042,400 Dedicated Funds, \$15,843,500 Federal Funds for a total of \$25,443,700 with FTP of 152.50

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**.

PRESENTER: **Jared Hoskins, Senior Analyst, Division of Budget & Policy Analysis**

SUBJECT: Office of the Governor: Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
Mr. Hoskins presented to the committee the budget request and line items for the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

CARRIED: Original Motion
Office of the Governor
Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Appropriation

Moved by **King**, seconded by **Youngblood**, to approve for introduction \$1,389,600 General Funds, \$376,400 Dedicated Funds, \$2,984,000 Federal Funds for a total of \$4,750,000 with FTP of 40.12

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**.

PRESENTER: **Jared Hoskins, Senior Analyst, Division of Budget & Policy Analysis**

SUBJECT: Attorney General

Mr. Hoskins presented to the committee the JFAC-adjusted maintenance items and replacement items as requested and recommended by the Governor. Members of the Attorney General's staff have represented that any remaining unexpended and unencumbered amounts not used from this appropriation will revert to the General Fund and will not be transferred to other programs, or for other uses within the agency.

CARRIED: Original Motion
Attorney General

Appropriation

Moved by **Keough**, seconded by **Gibbs**, to approve for introduction \$21,318,200 General Funds, \$384,900 Dedicated Funds, \$1,092,900 Federal Funds for a total of \$22,796,000 with FTP of 202.60

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**.

PRESENTER: **Jared Hoskins, Principal Analyst, Division of Budget & Policy Analysis**

SUBJECT: **Self-Governing Agencies: Public Defense Commission**

Mr. Hoskins presented the budget for the Public Defense Commission. This is a maintenance of current operations budget. It reflects the agency's request with JFAC adjustments.

CARRIED: **Original Motion**
Self-Governing Agencies
Public Defense Commission

Appropriation

Moved by **Johnson**, seconded by **Monks**, to approve for introduction \$304,300 General Funds, \$0 Dedicated Funds, \$0 Federal Funds for a total of \$304,300 with FTP of 1.50

Ayes: 19

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

Nays: 0

Ab/Ex: 1

Schmidt

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: **Ray Houston, Principal Analyst, Division of Budget and Policy Analyst**

SUBJECT: **Department of Lands: Asset Allocation and Governance Review**

Mr. Houston read through the background information regarding this appropriation for the Department of Lands.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: On Request by **Monks**, granted by unanimous consent, the Fiscal Year 2015 budget for the Board of Land Commissioners, Department of Lands, was reopened.

CARRIED: **Original Motion**
Board of Land Commissioners
Department of Lands

Appropriation

Moved by **Miller**, seconded by **Bair**, to approve for introduction \$5,473,100 General Funds, \$38,792,200 Dedicated Funds, \$6,376,500 Federal Funds for a total of \$50,641,800 with FTP of 283.12

Lump Sum: for the Forest and Range Fire Protection Program only

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 **Miller**, granted by unanimous consent, the legislative intent language was accepted.

INTENT LANGUAGE: **FLAT TOP BUTTE:** Of the amount appropriated to the Military Division from the Administration and Accounting Services Fund, \$18,100 in one-time spending authority is included to pay the Department of Lands for back rent due on the Flat Top Butte communication site that is located on endowment trust property. It does not include funding for any interest or penalties that may have been assessed, due, and owing; and the Department of Lands shall not bill the Military Division for such amounts.

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

SUBJECT: **Department of Water Resources**
Mr. Houston discussed the line items pertaining to the budget request for the Department of Water Resources. Inflationary adjustments include funding for rent costs, general inflation, and increased costs for stream gage work contracted through the U.S. Geological Survey. Three previously unfunded positions will be responsible for implementing the water sustainability initiative.

CARRIED: **Original Motion**
Department of Water Resources
Appropriation
Moved by **Bair**, seconded by **Miller**, to approve for introduction \$12,161,700 General Funds, \$4,796,100 Dedicated Funds, \$3,725,400 Federal Funds for a total of \$20,683,200 with FTP of 152.00

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**.

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

LEGISLATIVE SECTION 3.

INTENT: It is the intent of the Legislature that, in accordance with Section 42,1406B(1), the director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources file a petition with the adjudication court in Twin Falls, Idaho to commence a water rights adjudication of the Palouse River Basin.

SECTION 4.

Pursuant to Section 67-3514, Idaho Code, expenditures from the Secondary Aquifer Planning, Management and Implementation Fund for personnel costs shall not exceed the amount so appropriated in Section 1 of this act. Amounts necessary to pay all other expenses are continuously appropriated as provided in Section 42-1780(2), Idaho Code.

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

SUBJECT: **Department of Parks and Recreation**

Mr. Houston read through the line items pertaining to the budget request for the Department of Parks and Recreation. Important to note, this budget includes fund shifts from the dedicated fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$15,800 for benefits and \$34,900 for the CEC increase.

CARRIED: **Original Motion**
Department of Parks and Recreation

Appropriation

Moved by **Lacey**, seconded by **Burtenshaw**, to approve for introduction \$3,407,700 General Funds, \$27,252,000 Dedicated Funds, \$4,948,100 Federal Funds for a total of \$35,607,800 with FTP of 150.39. Cash transfer \$3,393.77 from Econ Recovery Reserve Fund to Harriman Park Trust 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**.

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

**INTENT
LANGUAGE:**

SECTION 3.

EXEMPTIONS FROM PROGRAM TRANSFER LIMITATIONS. Notwithstanding Section 67-3511(1) and (2), Idaho Code, trustee and benefit payments appropriated for grants in the Management Services Program may be transferred to capital outlay in the Capital Development Program or to capital outlay in the Park Operations Program to reflect grants awarded to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Legislative appropriations shall not be transferred from one fund to another unless expressly approved by the Legislature.

SECTION 4.

REAPPROPRIATION. There is hereby reappropriated to the Department of Parks and Recreation any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated or reappropriated to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the Capital Development Program for fiscal year 2015 to be used for nonrecurring expenditures in that program for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

SECTION 5.

CASH TRANSFER. On July 1, 2015, or as soon thereafter as is practicable, the State Controller shall transfer the balance remaining in the Department of Park and Recreation's Economic Recovery Reserve Fund (0150-01) amounting to \$3,393.77 to the Harriman State Park Trust Fund (0496-02).

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, **Chairman Bell** adjourned the committee at 9:19 a.m.

Representative Bell
Chair

Christi Cox
Secretary