

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, February 08, 2017
TIME: 8:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room C310
MEMBERS PRESENT: Senators Co-chairman Keough, Bair, Mortimer, Martin, Souza, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Ward-Engelking, Nye
Representatives Co-chairman Bell, Youngblood, Miller, Burtenshaw, Horman, Malek, Anderson, Dixon, King, Wintrow
ABSENT/ EXCUSED: None
CONVENED: Senator Keough convened the meeting at 8:01 A.M.

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PRESENTATION: DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS: MANAGEMENT SERVICES

LSO STAFF HENRY ATENCIO, DIRECTOR: They have 8,000 employees supervising
PRESENTATION: 16,000 inmates. We have to improve and keep moving forward. There is a 'gap' between the inmate being released and going to check in to Parole Office. We need to close that 'gap'. Improve the employment opportunity for the inmates and help make inmates more self sufficient in daily tasks. Reviews the divisions overview and updates Committee with what has happened in the past year. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcW) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcW)
JARED HOSKINS: The Department of Corrections has 7 Divisions. Reviews Management Services FY2016/FY2017 budget. [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcW) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcW)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the line items from FY2017
HOSKINS: Reviews FY2018 Budget and Replacement items. [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
DIRECTOR: Reviews FY2018 Replacement items.
HOSKINS: Reviews FY2018 requests. [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
DIRECTOR: Goes over the importance of new technology to help relieve staff [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcW) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcW)
HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 line items. [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2018 line items. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcW) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcW)

QUESTIONS: SEN LEE: Is the department not paying for the Microsoft subscriptions right now or is this an additional cost, or is there a current cost and this is just the increase?
JOSH TEWALT, DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS: The difference between this request and our standard operating procedure, with the Microsoft Office Suite, purchasing that stand alone system costs roughly about \$250,000, where this subscription service would be an ongoing cost. There is a cost associated with either route we go.
REP ANDERSON: On item number 5 and item number 12, you have specific costs noted there, how are those costs determined?
DIRECTOR: Our IT staff did the research on the costs.
REP ANDERSON: I'm curious with the interaction with the Department of Administration and Chief Information Officer. Is that a relationship you typically have, do they advise you among other things, why this particular thing?
DIRECTOR: Yes, we do have an on going relationship with the Department of Administration, in a variety of areas. It is not uncommon for us to look for them for direction or for advice.
KEOUGH: There is some history behind the Department of Administration and the coordination with technology in cyber security.
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PRESENTATION: STATE PRISONS

LSO STAFF HENRY ATENCIO, DIRECTOR: Changing the way they do restrictive
PRESENTATION: housing, instead of isolation put in general population with limited choices and privileges. Wanting inhouse training of staff instead of contracting out. Updates the Committee on what has been happening in the last year. Reviews the divisions overview [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxX) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxX)
JARED HOSKINS: Reviews the divisions FY2016 budget, with no further comments goes into FY2017 Budget. [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxX) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxX)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2017 Line items. [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
HOSKINS: Reviews FY2018 budget and requests [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
DIRECTOR: The replacement items are for the 9 State Prisons. There are a lot and some may seem frivolous, but are important to our safety. Reviews the replacement items for FY2018
HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 line items. [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxX) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxX)
REP HORMAN: Line item 2, your decision on matching the pay, for the instructors, with the public schools. I want to make sure I understand, this amount, you have a three year plan, to get folks back in line with the career ladder, but that amount was reduced by the Governor in light of 3% CEC. Just to be clear, as long with the 3% CEC is awarded, you will be able to stay in line with your three year plan in those salaries?
DIRECTOR: That is correct. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxX) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxX)

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PRESENTATION: COUNTY AND OUT-OF-STATE PLACEMENT

LSO STAFF HENRY ATENCIO, DIRECTOR: There are about 7,000 placements for inmates out-of-state. No Idaho inmates are currently out of state. The amount of time here has been reduced since FY2017. Reviews the divisions overview. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK)

JARED HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2016/FY2017 budget [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK)

DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2017 line item. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK)

QUESTIONS: REP YOUNGBLOOD: Will you share with us what that number might be, from the reversion?

DIRECTOR: We believe that number would be \$900,000 area, approximately.

SEN SOUZA: Quick overview of the population growth, what it was and what it is now?

HOSKINS: I actually have a chart on page 32 of your packet.

SEN MARTIN: I am looking at this county and Out-of-State placement, my question is the cost, do you have a breakdown of the cost per inmate in an out-of-state or county facility verse the in county and in state facility? And is it cost effective to have them in-county and out-of-state or is it cost effective to have them in your program?

TEWALT: When you look at the cost we pay for the county jail, we budget \$47.50 per day per inmate. Our facilities costs, its really comparing apples to oranges, the cost for our facility which would be the high \$50s low \$60s. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK)

REP MILLER: Did you cover the Out-of-State costs?

TEWALT: We have no inmates out-of-state at the moment, so do not have an out-of-state contract any longer. But I believe it is \$60 a day. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK)

HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 budget and line item [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK)

DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2018 line item [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxK)

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PRESENTATION: CORRECTIONAL ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT

LSO STAFF HENRY ATENCIO, DIRECTOR: Reviews the divisions overview [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT)

JARED HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2016/FY2017 budget [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT)

DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2017 line item [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT)

QUESTIONS: REP YOUNGBLOOD: The CAPP contract, what stage is it in, how long the maturity date does it have, and do you work with the Department of Administration?

TEWALT: I will have to provide you as to where that contract is, on terms of the maturity. We do work with the Department of Administration. Within the contract, the initial award and the different options of renewal. I will have to provide you with that information.

REP YOUNGBLOOD: Just the understanding of the contract, how long it runs and if it is renewable and if you were working with the Department of Administration. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT)

HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 budget and request [PRESENTATION](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK>) [AUDIO](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT>)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2018 requests. [AUDIO](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT>)

QUESTIONS:

SEN LEE: I'm hearing a number of things from my county, with increasing costs at the local level and in regards to JRI changing some of the felonies to misdemeanors, as you are looking at your budget and trying the stabilization of a consistent number. Are you seeing any savings at the State level, by not having out-of-state transfers or out-of-state placements as well as county placements. That perhaps you can celebrate savings at the State level, but maybe we have some additional costs at the local level. Or is that just more of a misnomer?

DIRECTOR: I don't want to say it is a misnomer, for those counties that are feeling that growth. Our per diem, for county placements, is set by statute and some county and may say they are costly. We try to move inmates very quickly, as soon as we can, to the prisons.

SEN LEE: To clarify, we had individuals that were charged with felonies and they went to prison, now those charges has been, changed through JRI, now those are misdemeanors and are no longer subject to the State system. Those folks are kept at the county level. Have you seen a decrease in the cost at the State level with relationship to that?

TEWALT: I do think, county jail population undoubtedly we have more people in county jails today than we did in June 2016. So, yes those numbers are going up, I think where there is some confusion, I think that JRI provided a name for what was going on at the time. There wasn't a change in the criminal code. Important to note felony probation maybe in county jail but we are not responsible for them. I don't think we have seen a sufficient savings. [AUDIO](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqxT>)

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PRESENTATION: COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

LSO STAFF HENRY ATENCIO, DIRECTOR: We want to work on time management and case loads. Reviews the divisions overview [AUDIO](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3>)

PRESENTATION: JARED HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2016/FY2017 budgets [PRESENTATION](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK>) [AUDIO](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3>)

DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2017 line items

HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 budget and replacement items [PRESENTATION](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK>)

DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2018 replacement items [AUDIO](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3>)

QUESTIONS:

SEN BAIR: On building repairs and replacements, can you give me an overview of what items are \$414,500 they are spending?

TEWALT: Needs to get back to committee. [AUDIO](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3>)

HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 line items [PRESENTATION](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK>)

DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2018 line items. We are working on a new system of case loads. We want 40 parolees to one parole officer. To avoid just putting out fires and wanting to actually work with the parolees. [AUDIO](#) (<https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3>)

QUESTIONS: SEN AGENBROAD: Will this get you to 40 immediately or is this a step in that direction?
DIRECTOR: Yes, we are very close to that.
SEN AGENBROAD: In regards to hiring 24 people, are they available or how long will it take?
DIRECTOR: We will do a hiring process and have them hired by September.
[AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3)
DIRECTOR: Continues the FY2018 line items [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3)

QUESTIONS: REP ANDERSON: When you do your request from different funds, how do you determine how much to take from each fund?
DIRECTOR: Local law enforcement will come to us in advance and tell us they have an event they need help with. Our local managers are responsible for managing that workload and assisting as often as we can.
REP ANDERSON: You are taking cash from three different income sources, and different amounts?
TEWALT: Especially requests, we derive at those amounts by looking at the estimate of time, and some people are paid through multiple fund amounts.
REP MILLER: Line item 1, has anyone done an economic benefit cost analysis of this kind of thing?
DIRECTOR: I don't know if we have done a study to that extent. We know that to supervise its \$4 a day as opposed to \$50–\$55 a day for jail time. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqx3)

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PRESENTATION: COMMUNITY BASED SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

LSO STAFF HENRY ATENCIO, DIRECTOR: Reviews the divisions overviews [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxq)
PRESENTATION: (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxq)
JARED HOSKIINS: Reviews the FY2016/FY2017 budget [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
(https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxq) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxq)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2017 line items
HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 budget [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
(https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqxq) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqxq)

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PRESENTATION: MEDICAL SERVICES

LSO STAFF HENRY ATENCIO, DIRECTOR: Reviews the divisions overview [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcS)
PRESENTATION: (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcS)
JARED HOSKINS: Reveiws the FY2016/FY2017 budget [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
(https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK) [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcS) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcS)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2017 line items
HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 budget [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
(https://go.usa.gov/xXqcK)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2018 budget needs. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcS)
(https://go.usa.gov/xXqcS)

QUESTIONS: SEN SOUZA: Could you give us just a little more information on the Hep C treatments?
DIRECTOR: We work with Corizon. to treat inmates that have Hep C. There are numerous medications that help with a permanent relief to that illness. JFAC funded us, for this permanent treatment, last year and I believe the fiscal year prior to that.
REP HORMAN: With the GAP analysis, I had a question about funding with the GAP analysis for the substance abuse and mental health?
DIRECTOR: Because of JRI, one of the requirements is to partner with health and welfare, and complete an annual GAP analysis. We hired a company, which helped us arrive at those numbers you are looking at. One of the big factors is behavior health services and the 2017 analysis is only to moderate to high risk inmates. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqcS) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqcS)

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PRESENTATION: COMMISSION FOR PARDONS AND PAROLE

LSO STAFF SANDY JONES, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: We are made up of 5 part-time
PRESENTATION: commissioners that are appointed by the Governor. Reviews the departments overview. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqYg) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqYg)
JARED HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2016/FY2017 budget [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqY2) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqY2)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2017 line items
HOSKINS: Reviews the FY2018 budget and line item [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqY2) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqY2)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the FY2018 line item. Stresses that this is an important line item.
HOSKINS: Reviews the last two FY2018 line items. [PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xXqY2) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqY2)
DIRECTOR: Reviews the last line item of FY2018 [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqYg) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqYg)

QUESTIONS:

REP ANDERSON: My question has to do with item 2, at the top of the page. You have 33 employees, and several are high performing employees, and are specially 5 employees; and with the CEC, that is not sufficient to increase those 5 employees?
DIRECTOR: Budget is structured in such a way that our personnel is obviously paid from our personnel budget, but Commissioners are paid out of our personnel budget as well. When we budget our Commissioners, we budget from the numbers of the last year, each year, if we have to add days to the Commissioners calendar, that eats away at any salary savings or room we have in our budget. We do have the option with the 3% CEC, to save it so when we do have salary savings we may use it at that time.

REP ANDERSON: What is the governors position on the Commissions request?

ADAM B. JARVIS: We consulted with HR and these positions do not classify for equity adjustments, then they would be merit positions by default and they are more of a CEC position. [AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xXqYg) (https://go.usa.gov/xXqYg)

ADJOURNED

There being no further business, Senator Keough adjourned the meeting at 10:24 A.M.

Senator Keough
Chair

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Secretary