

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS26307

This is the FY 2019 original appropriation bill for the Attorney General. It appropriates \$25,312,600 and caps the number of authorized full-time equivalent positions at 210.60.

For benefit costs, the bill removes \$1,450 per eligible FTP to bring the annual employer contribution for health insurance down to \$11,650 by including a two-month employee and employer premium holiday, adds a 6.8% increase for life insurance, and adjusts funding for workers' compensation in amounts that vary by agency. For replacement items, \$291,700 is provided, which includes \$46,500 for PCs and laptops; \$11,000 for a photocopier; \$30,000 to repair and rewire the data connections on the fourth floor of the Joe R. Williams Building; \$189,400 for servers, storage, and switches; and \$14,800 for software. For statewide cost allocation, \$4,400 is provided, as risk management costs will increase by \$900 and State Controller fees will increase by \$3,500. The bill also provides funding for a 3% ongoing merit-based salary increase for permanent employees, to be distributed at the discretion of the agency head.

The bill funds two line items, which provide 1.00 FTP and \$106,000 from the Idaho Millennium Income Fund for a deputy attorney general to staff the arbitration of the Master Settlement Agreement (MSA); and 1.00 FTP and \$266,900 for a forensic computer examiner and an affiliate investigator in the Internet Crimes Against Children Program.

FISCAL NOTE

	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2018 Original Appropriation	208.60	23,135,800	404,300	1,174,300	24,714,400
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	(318,000)	0	(23,300)	(341,300)
FY 2019 Base	208.60	22,817,800	404,300	1,151,000	24,373,100
Benefit Costs	0.00	(267,700)	(6,700)	(10,700)	(285,100)
Replacement Items	0.00	283,500	0	8,200	291,700
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	4,400	0	0	4,400
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	528,900	5,800	20,900	555,600
FY 2019 Program Maintenance	208.60	23,366,900	403,400	1,169,400	24,939,700
1. Deputy AG and Paralegal - MSA	1.00	0	106,000	0	106,000
3. ICAC Investigators	1.00	266,900	0	0	266,900
Budget Law Exemptions	0.00	0	0	0	0
FY 2019 Total	210.60	23,633,800	509,400	1,169,400	25,312,600
Chg from FY 2018 Orig Approp	2.00	498,000	105,100	(4,900)	598,200
% Chg from FY 2018 Orig Approp.	1.0%	2.2%	26.0%	(0.4%)	2.4%

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