

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 13, 2020

TIME: 8:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room C310

MEMBERS PRESENT: Senators Co-chairman Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Ward-Engelking, Nye

Representatives Co-chairman Youngblood, Marshall(Horman), Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Raybould, Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Woodward, Marshall(Horman)

CONVENED: **Chairman Youngblood** called the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee to order at 8:02 a.m.

AGENCY: **DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, MEDICAL SERVICES DIVISION**
Jared Hoskins, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO
Population-driven Costs: This motion realigns the department's budget to reflect updated offender forecasts, bed utilization counts, and per diem amounts.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: Requested by **Senator Burtenshaw**, granted by unanimous consent, the FY 2020 budget was reopened.

MOTION: Original Motion
Senator Burtenshaw made a motion for fiscal year 2020, for the Department of Correction, an ongoing increase of \$509,400 in operating expenditures from the General Fund in the Medical Services Program, for the purpose of population-driven costs. Motion seconded by **Rep. Syme**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 17**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Raybould, Syme, Wintrow, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 3
Troy, Woodward, Marshall(Horman)

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion carried, without objection, and will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood**. See [Audio](#) and [Supplemental](#) and [Ballots](#).

AGENCY: **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, CHILD WELFARE**
Jared Tatro, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO
Child Welfare IT System: Child Welfare requests \$2,876,000 for the remaining three months of funding for year two of the Child Welfare IT system replacement project. **Mr. Tatro** answered questions from the Committee.

MOTION: Original Motion
Senator Lee made a motion for the Department of Health and Welfare for the Child Welfare Program for fiscal year 2020, in onetime operating expenditures, an additional \$1,438,000 from the Technology Infrastructure Stabilization Fund and an additional \$1,438,000 from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund, for a total of \$2,876,000. Motion seconded by **Rep. Wintrow**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 18**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Raybould, Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2
Woodward, Marshall(Horman)

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion carried, without objection, and will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood**. See [Audio](#) and [Supplemental](#) and [Ballots](#).

AGENCY: **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, CHILD WELFARE, FOSTER & ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS**
Jared Tatro, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO
Foster Care Payments: The department requests a net increase of \$5,338,000 in ongoing trustee and benefit payments for the projected increased costs related to caseload growth in the foster care and child welfare programs. **Mr. Tatro** answered questions from the Committee.

MOTION: Original Motion
Senator Lee made a motion for the Department of Health and Welfare for the Foster and Assistance Payments Program for fiscal year 2020, in ongoing trustee and benefit payments, an additional \$2,946,800 from the Cooperative Welfare (General) Fund, an additional \$2,946,800 from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund, and a reduction of \$555,600 from the Cooperative Welfare (Dedicated) Fund for a program-wide net-increase of \$5,338,000. Motion seconded by **Rep. Troy**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 18**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Raybould, Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2
Woodward, Marshall(Horman)

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion carried, without objection, and will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood**. See [Audio](#) and [Supplemental](#) and [Ballots](#).

AGENCY: **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, DIVISION OF MEDICAID**
Jared Tatro, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO
Backfill FY 2019 Held Payments: The Division of Medicaid requests a onetime supplemental appropriation for \$36,726,200 to cover the costs of claims that were not paid at the end of FY 2019. The entire request is being appropriated to the Coordinated Medicaid Plan Program, as the Division of Medicaid has the authority to transfer between Medicaid Programs without limitations. **Mr. Tatro** answered questions from the Committee.

MOTION: Original Motion
Rep. Amador made a motion to the Department of Health and Welfare for the Coordinated Medicaid Plan Program for fiscal year 2020, all in onetime trustee and benefit payments, an additional \$8,735,000 from the Cooperative Welfare (General) Fund, an additional \$4,769,000 from the Idaho Millennium Income Fund, and an additional \$23,222,200 from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund, for a total motion of \$36,726,200. Motion seconded by **Senator Agenbroad**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 18**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Raybould, Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2
Woodward, Marshall(Horman)

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion carried, without objection, and will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood**. See [Audio](#) and [Supplemental](#) and [Ballots](#).

AGENCY: **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, DIVISION OF MEDICAID**
Jared Tatro, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO
Medicaid Forecast Shortfall: The Division of Medicaid requests an additional \$15,845,600 in ongoing trustee and benefit payments to account for the estimated increase in service utilization and hospital reimbursement costs. The entire request is being appropriated to the Coordinated Medicaid Plan Program, as the Division of Medicaid has the authority to transfer between Medicaid Programs without limitations.

MOTION: Original Motion
Senator Agenbroad made a motion to the Department of Health and Welfare for the Coordinated Medicaid Plan Program for fiscal year 2020, all in ongoing trustee and benefit payments, an additional \$9,612,800 from the Cooperative Welfare (General) Fund, and an additional \$7,015,800 from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund, for a total of \$16,628,600. Motion seconded by **Rep. Troy**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 18**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Raybould, Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2
Woodward, Marshall(Horman)

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion carried, without objection, and will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood**. See [Audio](#) and [Supplemental](#) and [Ballots](#).

AGENCY: **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, DIVISION OF MEDICAID**
Jared Tatro, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO
Medicaid Accountant Contract: The Division of Medicaid requests \$510,000 for the increased costs of its accounting contract with a private entity. This motion reflects the contract being approved for 11 months of the year. The twelfth month and the ongoing portion that was substituted with onetime funding in this motion will be used with money already in the base for NEMT program trainings and evaluations. This money may be needed again and JFAC will need to consider adding it back if the new NEMT provider and the Medicaid Division continue to struggle with the program.

MOTION: Original Motion
Rep. Wintrow made a motion to the Department of Health and Welfare for the Medicaid Administration and Medical Management Program for fiscal year 2020, an additional \$155,000 in ongoing operating expenditures from the Cooperative Welfare (General) Fund, an additional \$155,000 from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund in ongoing operating expenditures, \$78,800 from the Cooperative Welfare (General) Fund in onetime operating expenditures, and an additional \$78,800 from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund in onetime operating expenditures for a net total increase of \$467,600. Motion seconded by **Senator Agenbroad**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 18**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Raybould, Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2
Woodward, Marshall(Horman)

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion carried, without objection, and will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood**. See [Audio](#) and [Supplemental](#) and [Ballots](#).

AGENCY: **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES**
Jared Tatro, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO
Alzheimer's Caregiver Data: Alzheimer's is the 6th leading cause of death in Idaho and the United States, and the number of deaths associated with this disease increased 145% between 2000 and 2017.

MOTION: **Rep. Troy** made a motion to the Department of Health and Welfare for the Physical Health Services Program, for fiscal year 2020, \$15,000 in ongoing operating expenditures, from the Cooperative Welfare (General) Fund. Motion seconded by **Senator Bair**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 18**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Raybould, Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2
Woodward, Marshall(Horman)

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the motion carried, without objection, and will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood**. See [Audio](#) and [Supplemental](#) and [Ballots](#).

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Committee, **Chairman Youngblood** adjourned the meeting at 8:38 a.m.

Representative Youngblood
Chair

Jenny Miller
Secretary