

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, February 25, 2020

TIME: 8:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room C310

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

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

ABSENT/EXCUSED: None

CONVENED: **Chairman Youngblood** called the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee (JFAC) (Committee) to order at 8:00 a.m.

LSO PRESENTATION: **COURT OPERATIONS, JUDICIAL BRANCH; Jared Hoskins, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO**

This legislation is the original FY 2021 appropriation bill for Court Operations.

MOTION: **Rep. Wintrow** made a motion for the Supreme Court, in the Court Operations Division, beginning with the FY 2021 Base, a decrease of \$250,100 for benefit costs, an increase of \$63,300 for statewide cost allocation, an increase of \$174,300 for annualizations, and an increase of \$372,900 for change in employee compensation. Also included are the following line items: Line item 1, which provides 2.00 FTP and \$264,400 for District 1 magistrate judges; Line item 2, which provides 1.00 FTP and \$95,800 for a floating court reporter; Line item 4, which provides \$34,000 for ADA consulting; Line item 5, which provides \$20,800 for occupancy costs at the Idaho Law and Justice Learning Center; Line item 6, which provides \$35,000 for juror compensation; and Line item 7, which provides for a reduction of \$600,000 for Medicaid expansion. The totals for this motion for FY 2021 are \$48,098,300 from the General Fund, \$21,769,800 from dedicated funds, and \$1,902,400 from federal funds for a grand total of \$71,770,500. This motion also includes lump sum authority. Motion seconded by **Senator Burtenshaw**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 19**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Woodward, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Horman, Amador, Kauffman, Erickson(Raybould), Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1
Anderson

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**.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: Requested by **Rep. Wintrow**, granted by unanimous consent, that the Judicial Branch, Court Operations FY 2021 standard language regarding retirement contributions be accepted as part of the Supreme Court's FY 2021 appropriation bill. See [Audio](#) and [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

LSO PRESENTATION: **GUARDIAN AD LITEM, JUDICIAL BRANCH; Jared Hoskins, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO**

This legislation is the original FY 2021 appropriation bill for Guardian Ad Litem.

MOTION: **Senator Lee** made a motion for the Supreme Court, in the Guardian Ad Litem Program, beginning with the FY 2021 Base, the addition of line item 8, which provides \$150,000 ongoing for Guardian Ad Litem Program Staff in the five applicable districts and \$50,000 onetime for the grant administrator for procurement of an independent evaluation of the Guardian Ad Litem Program statewide, for a total of \$200,000. The total for this motion for FY 2021 is \$1,379,200 from the General Fund. This motion also includes lump sum authority. Motion seconded by **Rep. Horman**.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: **Senator Nye** and **Senator Lee** provided full disclosure by specifying a potential perception of conflict of interest as outlined in **Senate Rule 39 (H)**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 19**

Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Woodward, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Horman, Amador, Kauffman, Erickson(Raybould), Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1

Anderson

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 [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

LSO PRESENTATION: **JUDICIAL COUNCIL, JUDICIAL BRANCH; Jared Hoskins, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO**

This legislation is the original FY 2021 appropriation bill for Judicial Council. This motion provides the Judicial Council with a maintenance of current operations budget.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: **Senator Lee** provided full disclosure by specifying a potential perception of conflict of interest as outlined in **Senate Rule 39 (H)**.

MOTION: **Rep. Wintrow** made a motion for the Supreme Court, in the Judicial Council Division, a total FY 2021 lump sum appropriation of \$130,800 from the General Fund. The motion was seconded by **Senator Burtenshaw**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 19**

Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Woodward, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Horman, Amador, Kauffman, Erickson(Raybould), Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1

Anderson

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 [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

LSO PRESENTATION: **PUBLIC DEFENSE COMMISSION (Commission); Jared Hoskins, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO**

This legislation is the original FY 2021 appropriation bill for the Public Defense Commission.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: **Rep. Wintrow** and **Rep. Erickson** provided full disclosure by specifying a potential perception of conflict of interest as outlined in **House Rule 80 (3)**.

MOTION: **Senator Agenbrood** made a motion for the Public Defense Commission, beginning with the FY 2021 Base, a decrease of \$2,600 for benefit costs, an increase of \$900 for inflationary adjustments, an increase of \$600 for statewide cost allocation, and an increase of \$12,200 for change in employee compensation. Also included are the following line items: line item 1, which provides for a net-zero object transfer of \$60,000 from trustee and benefit payments to personnel costs for staff recruitment and retention; \$100 for OITS operating costs; \$1,100 for OITS servers and licensing; and a 2 percent General Fund reduction of \$229,800 from trustee and benefit payments. The totals for this motion for FY 2021 are 7.00 FTP and \$11,274,900 from the General Fund. Motion seconded by **Rep. Wintrow**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 20**
Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbrood, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Woodward, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Horman, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Erickson(Raybould), Syme, Troy, Wintrow, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 0

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**.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: Requested by **Rep. Wintrow**, granted by unanimous consent, that the Public Defense Commission FY 2021 standard language regarding trustee and benefit payments and encumbrances be accepted as part of the Public Defense Commission's FY 2021 appropriation bill. See [Audio](#) and [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

LSO PRESENTATION: **ATTORNEY GENERAL; Jared Hoskins, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO**

This legislation is the original FY 2021 appropriation bill for the Attorney General.

MOTION: **Rep. Troy** made a motion for the Attorney General, beginning with the FY 2021 Base, a decrease of \$122,700 for benefit costs, an increase of \$128,100 for replacement items, an increase of \$17,900 for statewide cost allocation, and an increase of \$400,900 for change in employee compensation. Also included are the following line items: line item 1, which provides 1.00 FTP and \$108,900 for a deputy attorney general at the Department of Labor; line item 3, which provides 1.00 FTP and \$108,900 for a deputy attorney general at the Department of Correction; line item 4, which provides 1.00 FTP and \$117,500 for a deputy attorney general in the Civil Litigation Division; line item 5, which provides 1.00 FTP and \$108,900 for a deputy attorney general at the Idaho Transportation Department; and \$3,100 for OITS operating costs. The totals for this motion for FY 2021 are 219.00 FTP, \$24,995,300 from the General Fund, \$834,400 from dedicated funds, and \$1,196,500 from federal funds for a grand total of

\$27,026,200. This motion also includes lump sum authority. Motion seconded by **Senator Burtenshaw**.

CARRIED:

AYES: 18

Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Woodward, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Erickson(Raybould), Syme, Troy, Toone

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Horman, Wintrow

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 [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

LSO

PRESENTATION:

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR; Maggie Smith, Senior Budget & Policy

Analyst, LSO

This legislation is the original FY 2021 appropriation bill for the Lieutenant Governor. This motion also includes exemption from the budget laws restricting transfer of appropriation between object codes, making this budget lump sum.

MOTION:

Senator Crabtree made a motion for the Lieutenant Governor, beginning with the FY 2021 Base, a decrease of \$500 for benefit costs, and an increase of \$1,700 for change in employee compensation. Also included are the following line items: \$700 for OITS servers and licensing; and a 2 percent General Fund reduction of \$3,700, of which \$3,400 is from personnel costs and \$300 is from operating expenditures. The totals for this motion for FY 2021 are 3.00 FTP and \$182,100 from the General Fund. Motion seconded by **Rep. Anderson**.

CARRIED:

AYES: 18

Bair, Johnson, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Woodward, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Erickson(Raybould), Syme, Troy, Toone

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 2

Horman, Wintrow

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 [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

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PRESENTATION:

STATE TREASURER; Maggie Smith, Senior Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO

This legislation is the original FY 2021 appropriation bill for the State Treasurer.

MOTION:

Senator Agenbroad made a motion for the State Treasurer, beginning with the FY 2021 Base, a decrease of \$13,300 for benefit costs, an increase of \$3,800 for statewide cost allocation, and an increase of \$42,400 for change in employee compensation. Also included are the following line items: \$300 for OITS operating costs; and a 2 percent General Fund reduction, which is accomplished through an ongoing fund shift of \$29,300 in operating expenditures from the General Fund to the Professional Services Fund. The totals for this motion for FY 2021 are 26.00 FTP, \$1,444,800 from the General Fund, and \$2,921,000 from dedicated funds, for a grand total of \$4,365,800. Motion seconded by **Rep. Anderson**.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: **Rep. Youngblood** provided full disclosure by specifying a potential perception of conflict of interest as outlined in **House Rule 80 (3)**.

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

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**.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: Requested by **Rep. Agenbroad**, granted by unanimous consent, to include the language, which limits the amount that may be paid for bank service fees, as a section of the State Treasurer’s FY 2021 appropriation bill.

The standard language modifies the amounts the State Treasurer’s Office may use to pay bank service fees. This language has been included in the Treasurer’s appropriation bill since FY 2008, setting a cap on the amounts that may be spent on bank fees by fund source. This language maintains the caps at the same overall total it has been for the past several years (\$628,300), but it shifts \$29,300 from the General Fund cap to the Professional Services Fund cap. See [Audio](#) and [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

LSO PRESENTATION: **STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SPECIAL PROGRAMS; Janet Jessup, Senior Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO**

For FY 2021, the Governor recommended a 2 percent General Fund decrease for five of the six programs within the Division of Special Programs equalling \$84,700. The motion stated that \$46,500 would come from personnel costs (PC) and \$38,200 would come from operating expenditures (OE). However, these two latter numbers did not reflect the desire of the motion makers to consider agency preference in how reductions were carried out. The total appropriation does not change, nor does the total for the 2 percent decrease, just the amounts in PC and OE. This motion corrects the amounts of personnel costs and operating expenditures.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: Requested by **Rep. Amador**, granted by unanimous consent, to reopen the fiscal year 2021 budget for the Division of Special Programs.

MOTION: **Rep. Amador** made a motion to the Division of Special Programs for fiscal year 2021, in addition to the action taken on February 20, add \$40,700 to personnel costs and remove \$40,700 to operating expenditures, all from the General Fund. Motion seconded by **Senator Burtenshaw**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 16**
 Bair, Johnson, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Woodward, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Erickson(Raybould), Syme, Toone
NAYS: 0
ABSENT/EXCUSED: 4
 Horman, Wintrow, Troy, Lee

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 [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

LSO PRESENTATION: **HEALTH AND WELFARE, STATE HOSPITAL SOUTH; Jared Tatro, Principal Budget & Policy Analyst, LSO**

On February 21, 2020, JFAC approved a General Fund reduction for State Hospital South, but too much was removed from operating expenditures. The error was the result of not accounting for the State Hospital West line item. The overall amount reduced was correct, but not by object. This motion will correct that error and take the correct amount out of operating expenditures and personnel costs.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: Requested by **Rep. Anderson**, granted by unanimous consent, to reopen the fiscal year 2021 budget for the Department of Health and Welfare for State Hospital South.

MOTION: **Rep. Anderson** made a motion to the Department of Health and Welfare for State Hospital South for fiscal year 2021, in addition to the action taken on February 21, 2020, remove \$476,400 from personnel costs and add \$476,400 to operating expenditures, all from the General Fund. Motion seconded by **Senator Agenbroad**.

CARRIED: **AYES: 16**

Bair, Johnson, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Grow, Burtenshaw, Woodward, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Anderson, Amador, Kauffman, Erickson(Raybould), Syme, Toone

NAYS: 0

ABSENT/EXCUSED: 4

Horman, Wintrow, Troy, Lee

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 [Motion](#) and [Ballot](#).

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Committee, **Chairman Youngblood** adjourned the meeting at 8:36 a.m.

Representative Youngblood
Chair

Jenny Miller
Secretary