

MINUTES  
**JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 02, 2021

**TIME:** 8:00 A.M.

**PLACE:** Room C310

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Senators Co-chairman Bair, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Woodward, Lent, Riggs, Cook, Ward-Engelking, Nye  
Representatives Co-chairman Youngblood, Troy, Horman, Amador, Syme, Bundy, Giddings, Nate, Green, Nash

**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** Senator Grow

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

**LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:** **LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR - LBB 6-139. Maggie Smith, Senior Analyst.**  
**Ms. Smith** introduced the Lieutenant Governor's Budget. The Lieutenant Governor is one of the seven constitutional officers in Idaho and is the presiding officer of the Senate.

**ORIGINAL MOTION:** Original Motion: Moved by **Rep. Giddings**, seconded by **Rep. Nate**, for the Lieutenant Governor beginning with the FY 2022 Base, an increase of \$300 for benefit costs, a decrease of \$200 for statewide cost allocation, and an increase of \$1,600 for change in employee compensation. The totals for this motion for FY 2022 are 3.00 FTP and \$183,100 from the General Fund. This motion also includes exemptions from the budget laws restricting the transfer of the appropriation between object codes making this budget lump sum.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Substitute Motion: Moved by **Rep. Syme**, seconded by **Sen. Riggs**, for the Lieutenant Governor beginning with FY 2022 Base, an increase of \$300 for benefit costs, a decrease of \$200 for statewide cost allocation, and an increase of \$1,600 for change in employee compensation. Also included is one line item, which removes 1 FTP and \$17,400 in personnel costs. The totals for this motion for FY 2022 are 2.00 FTP and \$165,700 from the General Fund. This motion also includes exemptions from the budget laws restricting the transfer of the appropriation between object codes making this budget lump sum.

**AMENDED  
SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION:**

Amended Substitute Motion: Moved by **Rep. Nate**, seconded by **Rep. Horman**, for the Lieutenant Governor FY 2022 Base, an increase of \$300 for benefit costs, a decrease of \$200 for statewide cost allocation, and an increase of \$1,700 for change in employee compensation. The totals for this motion for FY 2022 are 3.00 FTP and \$183,200 from the General Fund. This motion also includes exemptions from the budget laws restricting the transfer of the appropriation between object codes making this budget lump sum.

**VOTE ON  
AMENDED  
SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION —  
FAILED:**

**AYES: 3.**

Horman, Nate, Giddings.

**NAYS: 16.**

Bair, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Woodward, Lent, Riggs, Cook, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Troy, Amador, Syme, Bundy, Green, Nash.

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1.**

Grow.

**VOTE ON  
SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION —  
CARRIED:**

**AYES: 13.**

Agenbroad, Crabtree, Woodward, Lent, Riggs, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Troy, Amador, Syme, Green, Nash.

**NAYS: 6.**

Bair, Cook, Horman, Nate, Giddings, Bundy.

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1.**

Grow.

The majority, having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed, and without objection, carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood**.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES - LBB 6-71. Maggie Smith, Senior Analyst.**

**Ms. Smith** introduced the budget for the Division of Human Resources. The division is responsible for recruitment, job classification, employee assessment, selection processes, compensation issues, workforce planning and development, employee relations, and providing human resource policy to comply with applicable laws and regulations. The division is funded by dedicated funds that come from fees paid by all state agencies that have classified employees. This budget also has some associated language that enables the DHR to implement the elements of the recommendation made by the Change in Employee Compensation Committee that was adopted by JFAC.

**MOTION:**

Original Motion: Moved by **Sen. Cook**, seconded by **Sen. Ward-Engelking**, for the Division of Human Resources beginning with FY 2022 Base, an increase of \$5,400 for benefit costs, \$8,600 for statewide cost allocation, and \$29,800 for the change in employee compensation. Also included is line item 1, which provides \$15,400 for additional office space. The totals for this motion for FY 2022 are 17.00 FTP and \$2,549,000 from dedicated funds.

**CARRIED:**

**AYES: 19.**

Bair, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Woodward, Lent, Riggs, Cook, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Troy, Horman, Amador, Syme, Nate, Giddings, Bundy, Green, Nash.

**NAYS: 0.**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1.**

Grow.

The majority, having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed, and without objection, carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood.**

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Sen. Cook**, granted by unanimous consent, the following language was added in the FY 2022 appropriation bill for the Division of Human Resources:

EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION. In accordance with Chapter 53, Title 67, Idaho Code, the Division of Human Resources shall shift the salary structure upward by two percent (2%) beginning on July 1, 2021, with the exception of the minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour at pay grade D. The division shall also maintain the job classifications currently on pay line exception.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICTS - LBB 2-75. Jared Tatro, Principal Analyst.**

**Mr. Tatro** introduced the budget for the Public Health Districts and reminded the Committee these are not state agencies or state employees, but they do have to follow parts of the Idaho Code. Each district works under the direction of its own board of health appointed by the county commissioners within each region.

**MOTION:**

Original Motion: Moved by **Rep. Nash**, seconded by **Sen. Riggs**, for the seven Public Health Districts beginning with the FY 2022 Base, an increase of \$29,100 for benefit costs, a decrease of \$3,800 for statewide cost allocation, and an increase of \$146,400 for the change in employee compensation. The totals for this motion for FY 2022 are \$9,881,600 from the General Fund, and \$779,100 from dedicated funds, for a grand total of \$10,660,700.

**CARRIED:**

**AYES: 17.**

Bair, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Woodward, Lent, Riggs, Cook, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Troy, Horman, Amador, Syme, Bundy, Green, Nash.

**NAYS: 2.**

Nate, Giddings

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1.**

Grow.

The majority, having voted in the affirmative, the motion passed, and without objection, carried a **DO PASS** recommendation. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Youngblood.**

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT:**

Requested by **Rep. Nash**, granted by unanimous consent, the following language was accepted:

MILLENNIUM INCOME FUND FUNDING. There is hereby appropriated to the Public Health Districts \$779,100 from the Idaho Millennium Income Fund for the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, for the purpose of no-cost cessation services to Idahoans who want to quit tobacco use, with a primary emphasis on youth and pregnant women. These moneys shall not be considered general state aid for the purpose of Section 39-425, Idaho Code.

CITIZEN REVIEW PANELS. Of the amount appropriated in Section 1 of this act, \$136,500 shall be distributed to each Public Health District at one-seventh (1/7) of the total amount, which shall be used for the Citizen Review Panels pursuant to Senate Bill No. 1341, as enacted by the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-fourth Idaho Legislature. These moneys received by the Public Health Districts shall not be considered general state aid for the purpose of Section 39-425, Idaho Code, nor shall the moneys be allocated through a board of trustees formula pursuant to Section 39-411, Idaho Code.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**CATASTROPHIC HEALTH CARE PROGRAM - LBB 2-3. Jared Tatro, Principal Analyst.**

**Mr. Tatro** introduced the budget for the Catastrophic Health Care Program. This budget is the State portion of the indigent program. The request is for \$8,500,600 which is in line with what the Governor is supporting.

**MOTION:**

Original Motion: Moved by **Sen. Agenbroad**, seconded by **Rep. Nash**, for the Catastrophic Health Care Program for FY 2022, \$8,500,600 from the General Fund.

**CARRIED:**

**AYES: 17.**

Bair, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Woodward, Lent, Riggs, Cook, Ward-Engelking, Nye, Youngblood, Troy, Horman, Amador, Syme, Bundy, Green, Nash.

**NAYS: 2.**

Nate, Giddings

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1.**

Grow.

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**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, **Chairman Youngblood** adjourned the Committee at 8:33 a.m.

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Representative Youngblood  
Chair

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Anna Maria Mancini  
Secretary