

MINUTES  
**JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 10, 2026

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

**PLACE:** Room C310

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Senators Co-Chairman Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke (Bjerke), Hart, Rundhaug (Carlson), Zuiderveld, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Co-Chairman Tanner (14), Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**ABSENT/ EXCUSED:** None

**CONVENED:** **Co-Chairman Grow** called the meeting of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee (Committee) to order at **8:00 a.m.** with a quorum present.

**LSO STAFF PRESENTATION:** **FY 2027 Idaho Transportation Department, LBB 5-131 Brooke Dupree, Senior Analyst, Legislative Services Office (LSO)**  
**Ms. Dupree** presented the Idaho Transportation FY 27 enhancement budget request before the Committee. The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) is organized into four divisions: the Transportation Services Division, Highway Operations, the Division of Motor Vehicles, and Contract Construction and Right of Way Acquisition. She stated the first budget item focused on the Transportation Services Division, which requested funding for \$15.5 million for deferred maintenance projects, \$6,000 for new equipment, \$350,000 for airfield improvements, and \$43,000 for aeronautics facilities maintenance, along with additional funds for replacement items and IT hardware.

**MOTION:** Moved by **Senator Woodward**, beginning with the FY 2027 JFAC Program Maintenance Budget: add \$15,500,000 for deferred maintenance projects, \$350,000 for airfield improvements, \$43,000 for aeronautics facilities maintenance, \$80,500 for replacement items, \$1,544,800 for OITS hardware, and \$1,500 ongoing in personnel costs from the State Highway (Dedicated) Fund for health benefits cost for the Aeronautics Program. For FY 2027, for the Idaho Transportation Department, Transportation Services Division, an additional \$17,519,800 from dedicated funds; seconded by **Representative Green**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 18**  
Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 1**  
Zuiderveld

**Ab/Ex: 1**  
Tanner

The majority of each committee having voted in the affirmative, the motion

has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**Ms. Dupree** then presented language for consideration by the Committee related to reappropriation for the Capital Facilities program and the Aeronautics program within the Idaho Transportation Department.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Senator Woodward**, seconded by **Representative Green** to accept the following language:

**LANGUAGE:**

SECTION \_\_. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FOR THE CAPITAL FACILITIES PROGRAM. There is hereby reappropriated to the Idaho Transportation Department any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated or reappropriated o the Idaho Transportation Department from the State Aeronautics (Dedicated) Fund and the State Highway (Dedicated) Fund in the Capital Facilities Program for fiscal year 2026, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures in the Capital Facilities Program for the period July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. The Office of the State Controller shall confirm the reappropriation amount, by fund, expense class, and program, with the Legislative Services Office prior to processing the reappropriation authorized herein.

SECTION \_\_. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FOR THE AERONAUTICS PROGRAM. There is hereby reappropriated to the Idaho Transportation Department any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated or reappropriated to the Idaho Transportation Department from the State Aeronautics (Dedicated) Fund in the Aeronautics Program as Trustee and Benefit payments for Airport Development Grants for fiscal year 2026 to be used for nonrecurring expenditures related to Airport Development Grants for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. The Office of the State Controller shall confirm the reappropriation amount, by fund, expense class, and program, with the Legislative Services Office prior to processing the reappropriation authorized herein.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 20**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Zuiderveld, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow

Representatives Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 0**

**Ab/Ex: 0**

The majority of each committee having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**Ms. Dupree** stated the next item before the Committee related to the Idaho Transportation Department Motor Vehicles Division. The division is responsible for coordinating with county motor vehicle offices to make sure all vehicles are registered. The division request included \$378,400 for replacement items and \$422,000 for IT Hardware.

**MOTION:** Moved by **Representative Green**, beginning with the FY 2027 JFAC Program Maintenance Budget: add \$378,400 for replacement items and \$422,000 for OITS hardware. For FY 2027, for the Idaho Transportation Department, Division of Motor Vehicles, an additional \$800,400 from dedicated funds; seconded by **Senator Woodward**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 19**

Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 1**

Zuiderveld

**Ab/Ex: 0**

The majority of each committee having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**Ms. Dupree** stated the next Transportation division budget before the Committee was the Highway Operations Division. The division is responsible for maintaining highways throughout the state. She stated the division's FY 27 request included funding for maintenance and operations of State Highway 16, funding for roadside safety for tree removal, funding for new equipment, replacement equipment, and IT hardware.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Senator Woodward**, Beginning with the FY 2027 JFAC Program Maintenance Budget: add \$4,975,000 for roadside safety - tree removal, \$4,699,900 for new equipment, \$63,045,800 for replacement items, \$716,600 for OITS hardware, \$2,553,400 from the State Highway (Dedicated) Fund for highway operations and maintenance, and reduce \$1,500 from the State Highway (Dedicated) Fund in personnel costs for a program transfer to Aeronautics. For FY 2027, for the Idaho Transportation Department, Highway Operations Division, an additional \$75,989,200 from dedicated funds; seconded by **Representative Green**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 18**

Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Green

**Nays: 2**

Zuiderveld, Harris

**Ab/Ex: 0**

The majority of each committee having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**Ms. Dupree** stated the next division budget before the committee was the Division for Contract Construction and Right-of-Way Acquisition. The Division oversees construction of roads and purchases of right-of-way. She stated the budget request included a \$275 million General Fund transfer that would be split 60-40 between ITD and locals.

**MOTION:** Moved by **Representative Green**, Beginning with the FY 2027 JFAC Program Maintenance Budget: add \$4,255,900 ongoing in capital outlay from the State Highway (Dedicated) Fund and \$292,500 ongoing in capital outlay from the State Highway (Federal) Fund to appropriate remaining cash. For FY 2027, for the Idaho Transportation Department, Contract Construction & Right-of-Way Acquisition, an additional \$4,255,900 from dedicated funds, and \$292,500 from federal funds for a total of \$4,548,400; seconded by **Senator Woodward**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 19**

Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow, Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 1**

Zuiderveld

**Ab/Ex: 0**

The majority of each committee having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT  
REQUEST:**

Requested by **Representative Green**, and granted by unanimous consent, the following language was adopted:

SECTION\_. REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY. There is hereby reappropriated to the Idaho Transportation Department any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated or reappropriated to the Idaho Transportation Department from the State Highway Fund and the Transportation Expansion and Congestion Mitigation Fund for the Contract Construction and Right-of-Way Acquisition Division for fiscal year 2026, in a total amount not to exceed \$300,000,000 from the State Highway Fund and/or the Transportation Expansion and Congestion Mitigation Fund, to be used for nonrecurring expenditures for the Contract Construction and Right-of-Way Acquisition Division for the period July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. The Office of the State Controller shall confirm the reappropriation amount, by fund, expense class, and program, with the Legislative Services Office prior to processing the reappropriation authorized herein.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

Ms. Dupree stated the next item before the Committee was language requested by the department to allow for accounting corrections for transactions incorrectly recorded in FY 20, FY 21, and FY 22.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Representative Green**, seconded by **Senator Woodward** to adopt the following language:

**LANGUAGE:**

SECTION\_. LEGISLATIVE AUTHORIZATION FOR PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT. Pursuant to Section 67- 3604, Idaho Code, the Idaho Transportation Department is hereby authorized, and the Office of the State Controller shall make, the necessary prior period adjustments not to exceed \$303,900 from the State Highway (Dedicated) Fund and GARVEE Capital Project Fund for transactions incorrectly recorded in fiscal years 2020, 2021, and 2022.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 20**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Zuiderveld, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 0**

**Ab/Ex: 0**

The majority of each committee having voted in the affirmative, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a DO PASS recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**FY 2026 Department of Agriculture: Deficiency Warrants, LBB 5-009 – Morgan Poloni, Senior Analyst, LSO**

Ms. Poloni first presented an overview of the Department of Agriculture budget before the Committee, followed by a discussion of FY 26 deficiency warrants.

She stated the department's mission is to ensure Idaho agricultural products are high quality, disease-free, and compliant with federal and state regulations. She noted that the agency had eight budgeted programs with a FY 2027 maintenance appropriation of \$54,561,400 and 230 FTPs.

She reported that for FY 26, the department and Governor had two requests: a deficiency warrant to cover FY 2025 expenditures for monitoring exotic pests, and a dedicated fund appropriation for expenses related to quagga mussel treatment in September and October 2025. For FY 27, she explained that two Governor-recommended enhancement requests were included: a onetime request for replacement items like vehicles, lab equipment, office furnishings, field equipment, and message boards, and a onetime request for OITS hardware, including computers, tablets, monitors, and software updates, both funded by dedicated and federal appropriations.

She described the department's federal fund reappropriation request for the Resilient Food Systems Grant, awarded in FY 25 to expand production and distribution of Idaho food products. The funding had been granted to 27 recipients, and the department sought reappropriation to fulfill the remaining contracts through FY 27.

In regards to the FY 26 Department of Agriculture deficiency warrants, she stated the supplemental appropriation included onetime dedicated fund appropriation for expenses incurred to treat quagga mussels in September and October of 2025.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Representative Miller**, an additional onetime appropriation of \$3,393,000 from the Invasive Species Fund for fiscal year 2026; seconded by **Senator Woodward**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 19**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 1**

Senator Zuiderveld

**Ab/Ex: 0**

Both committees having voted in the majority, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**Ms. Poloni** stated the next supplemental appropriation before the Committee was a deficiency warrant to provide reimbursement for pest monitoring and control in state and public land for expenses incurred in FY 2025.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Representative Miller**, the onetime appropriation and transfer of \$1,298,600 from the General Fund to the Pest Control Deficiency Fund for fiscal year 2026; seconded by **Senator Bjerke**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 19**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 1**

Senator Zuiderveld

**Ab/Ex: 0**

Both committees having voted in the majority, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**FY 2027 State Department of Agriculture, LBB 5-005 – Morgan Poloni, Senior Analyst, LSO**

**Ms. Poloni** stated there were two FY 27 enhancement requests recommended by the Governor and one reappropriation request.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Senator Hart**, beginning with fiscal year 2027, JFAC program maintenance budget, add \$621,100 onetime for replacement items and \$208,800 onetime for OITS hardware. For fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Agriculture an additional \$765,700 from dedicated funds and \$64,200 from federal funds for a total of \$829,900; seconded by **Senator Cook**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 19**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 1**

Senator Zuiderveld

**Ab/Ex: 0**

Both committees having voted in the majority, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Senator Hart**, and seconded by **Representative Miller** to accept the following language:

**LANGUAGE:**

Section REAPPROPRIATION AUTHORITY FOR THE FEDERAL GRANT FUND. There is hereby reappropriated to the Department of Agriculture any unexpended and unencumbered balances appropriated or reappropriated to the Department of Agriculture for the Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Grant in FY 2026, to meet nonrecurring expenditures for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. The Department of Agriculture shall confirm the reappropriation amount, by fund, expense class, and program with the Legislative Services Office prior to processing the reappropriation authorized herein.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 20**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Zuiderveld, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 0**

**Ab/Ex: 0**

Both committees having voted in the majority, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**FY 2027 State Liquor Division, LBB 6-101 – Morgan Poloni, Senior Analyst, LSO**

**Ms. Poloni** presented the Idaho State Liquor Division's budget before the Committee. She stated the division's mission was to control the importation, distribution, sale, and consumption of distilled spirits, moderate alcohol use, and optimize net revenue for Idaho citizens. She noted that revenue was generated through liquor sales and permits, with the largest recipients being the General Fund, cities, and counties. She reported the division had a FY 27 maintenance appropriation of \$31,597,900 and 253.25 FTP. She stated the division submitted three enhancement requests, all recommended by the Governor: an ongoing dedicated fund request to cover general inflation and adjustments for utilities and computer services; a onetime dedicated fund request for replacement items, including obsolete security systems,

broken signage, aging shelving, store repairs, parking lot and fencing repairs, warehouse rack support repairs, motorized equipment, and one fleet vehicle; and a onetime dedicated fund request for IT and security equipment recommended by the Office of Information Technology.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Senator Ward-Engelking**, beginning with fiscal year 2027 JFAC program maintenance budget, add \$113,900 ongoing for general inflation adjustments, \$1,131,200 onetime for replacement items, and \$427,900 onetime for OITS hardware. For fiscal year 2027 for the Liquor Division an additional \$1,673,000 from dedicated funds; seconded by **Representative Green**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 16**

Senators Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 4**

Senators Grow, Zuiderveld  
Representatives Mitchell, Price

**Ab/Ex: 0**

Both committees having voted in the majority, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**UNANIMOUS  
CONSENT  
REQUEST:**

**Representative Harris** requested unanimous consent to adopt the following language:

**LANGUAGE:**

Section \_ . REQUIRING A REPORT ON UTILITY REBATES FOR THE STATE LIQUOR DIVISION. The Idaho State Liquor Division is encouraged to evaluate and pursue the use of energy and/or utility rebates for lighting and other utilities where appropriate. The department shall submit a report to the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee by December 31, 2026, identifying outcomes from evaluation and use of energy and/or utility rebates for lighting and other utilities at State Liquor Division retail locations. The format and content of this report will be determined in consultation with the Legislative Services Office Budget and Policy Analysis Division.

**OBJECTION:**

**Senator Woodward** objected to the unanimous consent request.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Representative Harris**, ; seconded by **Senator Ward-Engelking**.

**FAILED:**

**Ayes: 13**

Senators Hart, Zuiderveld, Galloway, Ward-Engelking  
Representatives Tanner, Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Price, Bruce, Harris

**Nays: 7**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Carlson, Wintrow  
Representative Green

**Ab/Ex: 0**

**Chairman Grow** stated having failed to achieve a majority in the Senate, the motion fails.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**FY 2027 Secretary of State, LBB 6-191 – Janica Bisharat, Senior Analyst, LSO**

**Ms. Bisharat** presented the FY 27 Secretary of State budget before the Committee. The Secretary of State is one of Idaho's seven constitutional officers, with responsibilities including membership on the State Board of Land Commissioners and the Board of Examiners. Ms. Bisharat stated the office has two budgeted programs—Administration, covering elections, executive and legislative services, and business services, and the Commission on Uniform State Laws, a four-member commission that studied proposed uniform laws and drafted legislation for consideration by the legislature—and one continuously appropriated program, the Idaho Code Commission, for which the Secretary of State served as ex officio secretary and oversaw the annual compilation of the Idaho Code. She reported that the Secretary of State requested \$350,000 ongoing from the General Fund to produce a voter pamphlet and guide, as required in even-numbered years when constitutional amendments, initiatives, or referenda appeared on the ballot. Additionally, the Secretary of State requested an ongoing transfer of \$20,000 from operating expenditures to personnel costs to cover overtime for the post-election audit team, and \$18,600 for ITS replacement items.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Representative Petzke**, beginning with the FY 2027 JFAC program maintenance budget, add \$350,000 onetime from the General Fund for a voter pamphlet. Include line item two, transferring \$20,000 from operating expenditures to personnel costs. For fiscal year 2027 for the Office of the Secretary of State an additional \$350,000 from the General Fund; seconded by **Senator Woodward**.

**SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION:**

Moved by **Representative Bruce**, beginning with fiscal year 2027 JFAC maintenance budget, add \$350,000 onetime from the General Fund for the voter pamphlet and then reduce the base budget ongoing \$114,200. Transfer \$20,000 from operating expenditures to personnel costs for fiscal year 27 for the Office of the Secretary of State and an additional \$235,800; seconded by **Representative Price**.

**DISCUSSION:**

In response to Committee questions, **Secretary of State Phil McGrane** stood to address the Committee. He explained the context of the Chairman's letter to state agencies regarding 1% and 2% budget cuts. He emphasized that the goal at that time had been to address tax conformity and the need for onetime funds in FY 26, while also considering how cuts would impact operations. He noted that the Secretary of State's office was experiencing significant delays in business filings due to a sharp increase in volume. He highlighted that business filings had increased over the past five years which put pressure on staffing and the office's ability to manage both filings and major election responsibilities. He reported that the office had already implemented an \$850,000 rescission, representing 15% of its budget, to help balance funds. He stressed that additional cuts would disproportionately affect the office, which is funded entirely by business fees rather than tax dollars. He warned that further reductions would slow down the business community and hinder the office's ability to serve Idaho effectively.

**FAILED  
(SUBSTITUTE  
MOTION):**

**Ayes: 8**

Senators Grow, Hart, Carlson, Zuiderveld  
Representatives Tanner, Mitchell, Price, Bruce

**Nays: 12**

Senators Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Harris, Green

**Ab/Ex: 0**

**Chairman Grow** stated the motion having failed to receive a majority in either the House or the Senate, the motion fails and the Committee would go on to the original motion.

**CARRIED  
(ORIGINAL  
MOTION):**

**Ayes: 15**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway,  
Ward-Engelking, Wintrow

Representatives Miller, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Harris, Green

**Nays: 5**

Senator Zuiderveld

Representatives Tanner, Mitchell, Price, Bruce

**Ab/Ex: 0**

Both committees having voted in the majority, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**LSO STAFF  
PRESENTATION:**

**FY 2027 Office of the State Public Defender, LBB 5-101 – Janica Bisharat, Senior Analyst, LSO**

**Ms. Bisharat** summarized the Office of the State Public Defender's budget. She stated the office ensured qualified attorneys, experts, investigators, mitigation specialists, paralegals, and other support staff were employed or contracted to provide legal representation to indigent defendants in all criminal and commitment proceedings, in accordance with state and federal constitutions and Idaho Code. She noted that the office was created by the State Public Defender Act in 2023 and had assumed full financial and legal responsibility for public defense on October 1, 2024, operating for about 18 months. She reported the agency requested six trial attorney positions, funded through the Public Defense Fund, to be assigned to Ada, Bannock, Bonneville, Jerome, Kootenai, and Twin Falls counties. Additionally, the agency requested onetime dedicated funds for data migration across 11 offices, ongoing dedicated funds for secure hosted data storage, and onetime dedicated funds for ITS replacement items. Finally, she explained that the agency requested additional appropriation to restore health benefit costs, noting that the five-year average calculation did not reflect the current 93 percent filled rate, resulting in a request of \$250,900 above the Governor's recommendation.

**MOTION:**

Moved by **Senator Hart**, Beginning with the FY 2026 JFAC Program Maintenance Budget: add 6.00 FTP from the Public Defense Fund to hire additional mid-level attorneys in six counties; add \$250,500 from the Public Defense Fund to migrate data from the county system to the state system onetime and to provide ongoing data storage; and add \$3,700 onetime for ITS Replacement items, and \$48,800 from the General Fund for health benefit costs, and add \$202,100 from the Public Defense Fund for the health benefit cost. For FY 2027, for the Office of the State Public Defender, an additional \$48,800 from the General Fund, \$456,300 from the Public Defense Fund for a total of \$505,100 and an additional 6.00 full-time equivalent positions; seconded by **Representative Manwaring**.

**CARRIED:**

**Ayes: 17**

Senators Grow, Woodward, Cook, Bjerke, Hart, Carlson, Galloway, Ward-Engelking, Wintrow  
Representatives Tanner, Furniss, Petzke, Manwaring, Mitchell, Bruce, Harris, Green

**Nays: 3**

Senator Zuiderveld  
Representatives Miller, Price

**Ab/Ex: 0**

Both committees having voted in the majority, the motion has passed and without objection will carry a **DO PASS** recommendation. There being no objection, it was so ordered by **Chairman Grow**.

**ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business before the Committee, **Co-Chairman Grow** adjourned the meeting at **8:58 a.m.**

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Senator Grow  
Chair

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Linsy Heiner  
Secretary