

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 665

2017 Regular Session

Barras

(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

LEGISLATIVE EXPENSES: Makes appropriations for the expenses of the legislature for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

DIGEST

Provides for the expenses of the legislature and legislative service agencies. Appropriates \$62,472,956 from the state general fund for FY 2017-2018.

Funding for the legislative branch of government is provided as follows:

House of Representatives	\$ 28,998,300
Senate	\$ 21,764,498
Legislative Auditor	\$ 9,093,838
Legislative Fiscal Office	\$ 2,886,664
Louisiana State Law Institute	\$ 1,131,401
Legislative Budgetary Control Council	\$ <u>8,557,125</u>
Total state general fund	\$ <u>72,431,826</u>

Provides that appropriations out of State General Fund (Direct) contained in this Act for the House, Senate Legislative Fiscal Office, Budgetary Control and Law Institute be reduced by a total amount of \$10,958,870 pursuant to a plan adopted by the Legislative Budgetary Control Council.

Provides for the allocation of funds for salaries and allowances of members, officers, and staff of the House, Senate, Legislative Fiscal Office, Legislative Budgetary Control Council, and Louisiana State Law Institute. Provides the balance on July 2, 2017, of the fund created by Act 513, §13 of 2008 R.S. is appropriated to the Legislative Budgetary Control Council.

Appropriates \$350,000 from the state general fund to establish the Legislative Auditor Ancillary Enterprise Fund as an agency working capital fund; appropriates \$22,373,567 from the fund, which is authorized to be used for expenses of the auditor's office.

Retains provisions of existing law allowing legislative assistants who were employed on or before Dec. 1, 2007, to retain the salary they were earning on Dec. 1, 2007.

Effective July 1, 2017.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the original bill:

1. Add requirement that appropriations contained in this Act be reduced by a total amount of \$10,958,870 pursuant to a plan adopted by the Legislative Budgetary Control Council.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Correct the reference to a previous Act of the legislature.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the reengrossed bill

1. Decreases the appropriation to the Legislative Auditor by \$1,000,000.
2. Provides that expenses for any extraordinary session shall be paid pursuant to a plan adopted by the Legislative Budgetary Control Council.