

## HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 132

2017 Regular Session

Edmonds

BUDGETARY CONTROLS: Provides relative to the allocation of expenditures of the state operating budget

### Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Changes the required action regarding the changes or transfers of funds from one category of expenditure to another from prior approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget to reporting to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.
2. Changes the amount of a change or transfer of funds from one category of expenditure to another that requires action in proposed law from \$20,000 to \$50,000.
3. Provides for an exception to the provisions of proposed law regarding expenditure categories in the event of a declared disaster.
4. Adds a termination date of July 1, 2020, for the provisions of proposed law.

### Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law requires the commissioner of administration to notify each budget unit of the amount of appropriations contained in the General Appropriation Act and permits the commissioner to review and approve the initial allocation of expenditures for a fiscal year.

Proposed law changes the review and approval of the commissioner of administration of the initial allocation of expenditures from a permissive review and approval to a mandatory review and approval. Further specifies that the initial allocation shall be by category of expenditures.

Proposed law requires reporting to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget on changes to the initial allocation of expenditures or transfers of funds between categories of \$50,000 or more. Further requires that if any agency has made changes in expenditures or transfers of expenditures between categories that cumulatively total \$100,000 or more for the fiscal year, all subsequent changes in expenditures or transfers of expenditures between categories require reporting to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. Further provides for an exception to proposed law in the event of a declared disaster, but requires the changes or transfers to be approved by the commissioner of administration.

Proposed law requires the commissioner of administration to post the initial allocation of expenditures and any changes to the allocations of expenditures on the website maintained by the commissioner.

Present law authorizes the commissioner of administration to approve the transfer of funds between programs in a budget unit, not to exceed 1% of the total appropriation of the budget unit. Further authorizes the commissioner of administration to approve, with approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget, the transfer of funds between programs in a budget unit, not to exceed 25% of the total appropriation of the budget unit.

Proposed law requires the following of the commissioner of administration for all approved transfers authorized in present law:

- (1) Submit all approved transfers to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.

- (2) Post all approved transfers on the website maintained by the commissioner of administration.
- (3) Submit a monthly report to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget on all approved transfers approved in the prior month and all approved transfers for the current fiscal year and to post the monthly report on the website.

Provisions of proposed law are terminated July 1, 2020.

Effective July 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 39:57.1(B); Adds R.S. 39:57.1(C) and 73(C)(5))