
DIGEST

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

HB 64

2017 Regular Session

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Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

APPROPRIATIONS/ANCILLARY: Provides for the ancillary expenses of state government

Report adopts Senate amendments to:

1. Provide for net increases (decreases) in appropriations as follows: Interagency Transfers by \$2,800,000, Fees and Self-generated Revenues by \$7,582,927, and Statutory Dedications by \$30,000,000.
2. Restore 16 authorized position in the Office of Risk Management.
2. Restore authority for the commissioner to increase up to five positions for a budget unit without JLCB approval.

Report amends the bill to:

1. Change reference to the bill required to pass for an additional appropriation to the Office of Risk Management from Senate Bill No. 232 to House Bill No. 403.
2. Reduce funding out of Interagency Transfers for the Office of Risk Management by (\$400,000) and authorized positions by (2) positions.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Proposed law provides for the establishment and reestablishment of agency ancillary funds, to be specifically known as internal service funds, auxiliary accounts, or enterprise funds for certain state institutions, officials, and agencies. Requires the appropriated funds, to the extent deposited, unless otherwise specified, to be used for working capital in the conduct of business enterprises rendering public, auxiliary, and interagency services. Requires receipts from the conduct of such businesses to be deposited to the credit of each ancillary fund for FY 2017-2018. Requires all funds to be expended in accordance with public bid laws.

Proposed law requires, except as otherwise provided, any fund equity resulting from prior year operations be included as a resource of the fund from which it is derived. Provides that all funds on deposit with the state treasury at the close of the fiscal year are authorized to be transferred to each fund as equity for FY 2018-2019. Further provides that all unexpended cash balances as of June 30, 2018, shall be remitted to the state treasurer on or before Aug. 14, 2018. Further provides that if not reestablished in the subsequent year's act, the agency must liquidate all assets and return all advances no later than Aug. 14, 2018.

Proposed law provides that the program descriptions contained in the act are not enacted into law by virtue of their inclusion in the act.

Proposed law provides that all money from federal, interagency, statutory dedications, or self-generated revenues of an agency be deemed available for expenditures in the amounts appropriated, and any increase in such revenues over the amounts appropriated shall only be available for expenditure by the agency with approval of the division of administration and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget (JLCB).

Proposed law provides that the number of employees approved for each agency may be increased by the commissioner of administration when appropriate documentation is deemed valid; however, any request which exceeds five positions requires approval of the division of administration and the JLCB.

Proposed law requires any agency with an appropriation level of \$30 million or more to include positions within its table of organization which perform internal auditing services, including the position of a chief audit executive responsible for adhering to the Institute of Internal Auditors, International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing.

Proposed law directs the commissioner of administration to adjust performance objectives and indicators contained in the Executive Budget Supporting Document to reflect the funds appropriated and to report such adjustments to the JLCB by Aug. 15, 2017.

Proposed law provides that the treasurer shall invest excess cash funds, excluding those arising from working capital advances, with the interest earned being credited to the account.

Proposed law authorizes the commissioner of administration to transfer functions, positions, assets, and funds between and within departments in conjunction with the continuing assessment of the existing staff, assets, contracts, and facilities of each department, agency, program or budget unit's information technology resources, and procurement resources, in order to optimize resources and provide cost savings. Proposed law does not apply to the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, or any agency contained in Schedule 04, Elected Officials, of the General Appropriation Act.

Effective July 1, 2017.