

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, February 21, 2014
TIME: 8:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room C310
MEMBERS Senators Co-chairman Cameron, Keough, Mortimer, Vick, Nuxoll, Johnson, Bayer, Thayn, Schmidt, Lacey
Representative(s) Co-chairman Bell, Bolz, Eskridge, Thompson, Gibbs, Stevenson, Miller, Youngblood, Ringo, King
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
CONVENED: Chairman Bell called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

SETTING FY 2015 APPROPRIATIONS

SELF GOVERNING AGENCIES

State Appellate Public Defender

PRESENTER: **Richard Burns, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst**

Original Motion

Moved by **Bolz**, seconded by **Mortimer**, to approve for introduction \$2,238,600 General Funds, with FTP of 23.00

FAILED: **Substitute Motion**
Moved by **Schmidt**, seconded by **Ringo** to approve \$2,527,200 General funds, with FTP of 24.00.

Ayes: 5

Keough, Schmidt, Lacey, Ringo, King

Nays: 15

Cameron, Mortimer, Vick, Nuxoll, Johnson, Bayer, Thayn, Bell, Bolz, Eskridge, Thompson, Gibbs, Stevenson, Miller, Youngblood

Ab/Ex: 0

CARRIED: **Vote on the Original Motion**

AYES: 18

Cameron, Keough, Mortimer, Vick, Nuxoll, Johnson, Bayer, Thayn, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Bolz, Eskridge, Thompson, Gibbs, Stevenson, Miller, Youngblood

Nays: 2

Ringo, King

Ab/Ex: 0

The majority 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 Bell.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

PRESENTER: Richard Burns, Principal Budget and Policy analyst

Original Motion

Moved by **Ringo**, seconded by **King**, to approve for introduction \$20,154,200 General Funds, \$377,900 Dedicated Funds, \$1,075,400 Federal Funds for a total of \$21,607,500 with FTP of 195.60

CARRIED: **Substitute Motion**

Moved by Bolz, seconded by Youngblood, to approve for introduction \$20,036,300 General Funds, \$377,900 Dedicated Funds, \$1,075,400 Federal Funds for a total of \$21,489,600 with FTP of 194.60

Ayes: 15

Cameron, Keough, Mortimer, Vick, Nuxoll, Bayer, Thayn, Bell, Bolz, Eskridge, Thompson, Gibbs, Stevenson, Miller, Youngblood

Nays: 5

Johnson, Schmidt, Lacey, Ringo, King

Ab/Ex: 0

The majority 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 Bell.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Military Division

PRESENTER: Richard Burns, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst

CARRIED: **Original Motion**

Moved by **Stevenson**, seconded by **Bolz**, to approve for introduction \$5,621,800 General Funds, \$5,325,100 Dedicated Funds, \$54,839,200 Federal Funds for a total of \$65,786,100 with FTP of 314.80

Ayes: 19

Cameron, Keough, Mortimer, Vick, Nuxoll, Johnson, Bayer, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Bolz, Eskridge, Thompson, Gibbs, Stevenson, Miller, Youngblood, Ringo, King

Nays: 0

Ab/Ex: 1

Thayn

The majority 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 Bell.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: At the request of **Stevenson**, granted by unanimous consent, the legislative intent language shown below was accepted and will be included in the Military Division.

Legislative Intent Language

The Military Division is hereby granted continuous appropriation authority for the Bureau of Homeland Security's Miscellaneous Revenue Fund for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, for the purpose of covering incurred costs arising out of the hazardous substance incidents.

Office of Species Conservation

PRESENTER: Ray Houston, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst

Original Motion

Moved by **Eskridge**, seconded by **Miller**, to approve for introduction \$693,800 General Funds, \$57,000 Dedicated Funds, \$12,772,000 Federal Funds for a total of \$13,522,800 with FTP of 12.00

Ayes: 20

Cameron, Keough, Mortimer, Vick, Nuxoll, Johnson, Bayer, Thayn, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Bolz, Eskridge, Thompson, Gibbs, Stevenson, Miller, Youngblood, Ringo, King

Nays: 0

Ab/Ex: 0

The majority 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 Bell.

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

PRESENTER: Ray Houston, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst

Original Motion

Moved by **Gibbs**, seconded by **Lacey**, to approve for introduction \$0 General Funds, \$52,100,800 Dedicated Funds, \$43,670,300 Federal Funds for a total of \$95,771,100 with FTP of 568.00

Ayes: 20

Cameron, Keough, Mortimer, Vick, Nuxoll, Johnson, Bayer, Thayn, Schmidt, Lacey, Bell, Bolz, Eskridge, Thompson, Gibbs, Stevenson, Miller, Youngblood, Ringo, King

Nays: 0

Ab/Ex: 0

The majority 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 Bell.

**UNANIMOUS
CONSENT:**

At the request of **Gibbs**, granted by unanimous consent, the legislative intent language shown below was accepted and will be include in the Department of Fish and Game appropriation.

Legislative Intent Language

Over the last three years, the Department of Fish and Game's expenditure from the license fund exceeded revenues by \$2.8 million or about \$1 million per year. Furthermore, the department submitted a fiscal year 2015 budget request that was 15% above projected revenues. It is the legislative intent that for the next budget cycle, the department take into account the trend of the last three years of actual revenues and take into account any approved policy changes to make a revised FY 2015 revenue estimate. The department is to recommend changes to bring the FY 2015 budget within 5 percent of projected revenues. Furthermore, the department is to submit a fiscal year 2016 budget request that details the revenue assumptions based on current law and a budget that does not exceed projected license revenues.

BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
Endowment Fund Investment Board

PRESENTER: **Ray Houston, Principal Budget and Policy Analyst**

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: On request by **Cameron** granted by unanimous consent, to reopen the FY 2015 budget for the Endowment Fund Investment Board for the purpose of updating the legislative intent regarding transfer from the earnings reserves to the income funds.

The Land Board met on Tuesday February 18 and increased the FY 2015 distribution to State Hospital South from \$3,228,000 to \$3,625,400 or by \$397,400. That brings the total transfer for FY 2015 to \$51,978,200.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT: On request by **Cameron**, granted by unanimous consent, that the legislative intent in section 4 of the appropriation bill for the Endowment Fund Investment Board be revised to a total of \$51,878,200 and to \$3,625,400 for the Mental Hospital transfer.

Representative Bell
Chair

Kathryn Yost
Secretary