STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS27902 / H0605

This is the FY 2021 original appropriation bill for the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. It appropriates a total of \$28,118,700 and caps the number of authorized full-time equivalent positions at 150.00. For benefit costs, the bill maintains the current appropriated amount for health insurance at \$11,650 per eligible FTP and temporarily removes funding for the employer's sick leave contribution rate. Funding for replacement items includes \$42,800 to replace laptops and desktops as a part of the regular five-year replacement cycle. The bill also provides funding for the equivalent of a 2% change in employee compensation for permanent state employees, with an additional 2% increase for those in the 20 job classifications most in need of equity adjustments. The bill funds two line items, which provide \$7,400 for the Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for statewide outreach; and a reduction of \$600,000 from the Extended Employment Services Program with the intention that the appropriation be placed in the Division of Medicaid's budget to provide reimbursement rate increases for providers of long-term employment supports within the DD and A/D Waivers. Also included are adjustments to pay the Office of Information Technology Services for security software and data center office space located at the Chinden Campus; and software licensing, server infrastructure, and storage to expand system capabilities on core systems and to maintain agency-specific software. Lastly, the ongoing General Fund appropriation is reduced by 2%



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FISCAL NOTE

	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2020 Original Appropriation	150.00	8,874,000	2,113,600	17,767,800	28,755,400
Sick Leave Rate Reduction	0.00	(5,000)	(300)	(15,500)	(20,800)
1% General Fund Reduction	0.00	(88,800)	0	0	(88,800)
FY 2020 Total Appropriation	150.00	8,780,200	2,113,300	17,752,300	28,645,800
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	(22,700)	0	(83,000)	(105,700)
Base Adjustments	0.00	0	0	0	0
Restore Rescissions	0.00	93,800	300	15,500	109,600
FY 2021 Base	150.00	8,851,300	2,113,600	17,684,800	28,649,700
Benefit Costs	0.00	(11,800)	(400)	(39,600)	(51,800)
Inflationary Adjustments	0.00	2,100	0	7,600	9,700
Replacement Items	0.00	0	9,100	33,700	42,800
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	0	0	8,900	8,900
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	45,100	2,000	138,900	186,000
FY 2021 Program Maintenance	150.00	8,886,700	2,124,300	17,834,300	28,845,300
1. CDHH - Statewide Outreach	0.00	7,400	0	0	7,400
2. EES - Transfer to Medicaid	0.00	(600,000)	0	0	(600,000)
OITS 1 - Operating Costs	0.00	400	0	1,700	2,100
OITS 2 - Servers and Licensing	0.00	8,200	0	32,800	41,000
2% General Fund Reduction	0.00	(177,100)	0	0	(177,100)
FY 2021 Total	150.00	8,125,600	2,124,300	17,868,800	28,118,700
Chg from FY 2020 Orig Approp	0.00	(748,400)	10,700	101,000	(636,700)
% Chg from FY 2020 Orig Approp.	0.0%	(8.4%)	0.5%	0.6%	(2.2%)

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