STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28714 / H0271

This is the FY 2022 original appropriation bill for the Office of the Attorney General. It appropriates a total of \$27,737,800 and caps the number of authorized full-time equivalent positions at 220.00. For benefit costs, the bill maintains the current appropriated amount for health insurance at \$11,650 per eligible FTP, extends the holiday for the employer's sick leave contribution rate for another year, and restores funding for the employer's unemployment insurance contribution rate. Funding for replacement items includes \$129,900 for computer equipment, forensic workstations, and servers. The bill also provides funding for the equivalent of a 2% change in employee compensation for permanent state employees. The bill funds three line items, which provide \$482,800 for restoration of special litigation funds; 1.00 FTP and \$94,200 for a civil litigation paralegal; and \$150,000 onetime for mediation costs associated with the Coeur d'Alene-Spokane River Basin Adjudication.

FISCAL NOTE

	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2021 Original Appropriation	219.00	24,512,500	834,400	1,196,500	26,543,400
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	(136,200)	0	0	(136,200)
FY 2022 Base	219.00	24,376,300	834,400	1,196,500	26,407,200
Benefit Costs	0.00	76,700	2,000	2,600	81,300
Replacement Items	0.00	129,900	0	0	129,900
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	(24,600)	0	0	(24,600)
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	391,300	10,700	15,000	417,000
FY 2022 Program Maintenance	219.00	24,949,600	847,100	1,214,100	27,010,800
1. Litigation Funds Restoration	0.00	482,800	0	0	482,800
2. Deputy AG DHW	0.00	0	0	0	0
3. Paralegal Civil Litigation	1.00	94,200	0	0	94,200
4. CSRBA Mediation Costs	0.00	150,000	0	0	150,000
Budget Law Exemptions and Adjustments	0.00	0	0	0	0
FY 2022 Total	220.00	25,676,600	847,100	1,214,100	27,737,800
Chg from FY 2021 Orig Approp	1.00	1,164,100	12,700	17,600	1,194,400
% Chg from FY 2021 Orig Approp.	0.5%	4.7%	1.5%	1.5%	4.5%

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