



ATTORNEY GENERAL FOLLOW-UP ON PREVIOUS INTENT LANGUAGE

EXECUTIVE OFFICES AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
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ISSUE BRIEF

SUMMARY

This report summarizes the Attorney General's intent language passed by the Legislature during its 2012 General Session and provides an agency response regarding the status of each piece of passed intent language. No action is required by the Legislature regarding this issue brief. It is provided as information only, but may inform Legislative action taken on intent language during the 2013 General Session. Intent language is broken down by line item.

ATTORNEY GENERAL (MAIN LINE ITEM):

Senate Bill 3, Item 11 (for FY 2013):

Under Section 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Attorney General in Item 9 of Chapter 2 Laws of Utah 2011 not lapse at the close of fiscal year 2012.

Agency Response:

The Attorney General main line item began FY 2013 with \$2,901,500 in nonlapsing balances. Planned usage of these funds during FY2013 amounts to \$1,495,700 and includes items such as the ID Theft Database, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, Investigation Costs, the Family Support Center, and other department level costs. The remainder is proposed to be used for similar costs in subsequent years.

CONTRACT ATTORNEYS:

Senate Bill 3, Item 11 (for FY 2013):

Under Section 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Attorney General Contract Attorneys in Item 10 of Chapter 2 Laws of Utah 2011 not lapse at the close of fiscal year 2012.

Agency Response:

The Contract Attorneys line item closed FY 2012, and is operating in FY 2013, with a zero balance in nonlapsing balances. Nonlapsing balance funds were used during FY 2012 as a portion of the \$275,200 payment on the United Effort Plan Trust case. These funds totaled \$51,400 beginning FY 2012

CHILDREN'S JUSTICE CENTERS:

Senate Bill 3, Item 13 (for FY 2013):

Under Section 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Attorney General - Children's Justice Centers in Item 11 of Chapter 2 Laws of Utah 2011 not lapse at the close of fiscal year 2012.

Agency Response:

The Children's Justice Centers Line Item began FY 2013 with a \$529,100 balance in nonlapsing balances. To date this balance has been passed through to local Children's Justice Centers.

PROSECUTION COUNCIL:

Senate Bill 3, Item 14 (for FY 2013):

Under Section 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Utah Prosecution Council in Item 12 of Chapter 2 Laws of Utah 2011 not lapse at the close of fiscal year 2012.

Agency Response:

The Prosecution Council Line Item began FY 2013 with an \$81,600 balance in nonlapsing balances. To date this balance has been spent on a variety of costs of operating the Prosecution Council.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Senate Bill 3, Item 15 (for FY 2013):

Under Section 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Attorney General – Domestic Violence in Item 13 of Chapter 2 Laws of Utah 2011 not lapse at the close of Fiscal year 2012.

Agency Response:

The Domestic Violence Line Item began FY 2013 without nonlapsing balances. It is not anticipated that this line item will have nonlapsing balances ending FY 2013 and the Attorney General has not requested any intent language for FY 2014.