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This document includes all intent language recommended by the Analyst for agencies that report directly to the Executive Appropriations Committee.

Capitol Preservation Board

Under terms of Section 63J-1-603(3)(a) Utah Code Annotated, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Capitol Preservation Board in item 1, Chapter 10, Laws of Utah 2016 not lapse at the close of Fiscal Year 2017.

The Legislature intends that the Capitol Preservation Board report by October 17, 2017 to the Executive Appropriations Committee on the following performance measures for the Capitol Preservation Board line item: (1) Stewardship plan for a safe, sustainable environment through maintenance, facility operations, and improvements (Target = 100 year life); (2) Provision of high quality tours, information, and education to the public (Target = 50,000 students and 200,000 visitors annually); (3) Provision of event and scheduling program for all government meetings, free speech activities, and public events (Target = 4,000 annually); and (4) Provision of exhibit and curatorial services on Capitol Hill to maintain the collections of artifacts for use and enjoyment of the general public (Target = 9,000 items).

Utah National Guard

The Legislature intends that the Utah National Guard be allowed to increase its vehicle fleet by up to three vehicles with funding from existing appropriations.

The Legislature intends that the Utah National Guard report by October 17, 2017 to the Executive Appropriations Committee on the following performance measures for the National Guard line item: (1) Personnel readiness (Target = 100% assigned strength); (2) Individual training readiness (Target = 90% Military Occupational Specialty qualification); (3) Collective unit training readiness (Target = 100% fulfillment of every mission assigned by the Commander in Chief and, for units in training years 3 and 4 of the Sustainment Readiness Model, 80% attendance at unit annual training); and (4) Installation readiness (Target = Installation Status Report of category 2 or higher for each facility).

UNG Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Fund

The Legislature intends that the Utah National Guard report by October 17, 2017 to the Executive Appropriations Committee on the following performance measures for the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Fund line item: (1) Sustainability (Target = Income equal to or greater than expenses); and (2) Enhanced morale (Target = 70% positive feedback).
Veterans’ and Military Affairs

Under terms of Section 63J-1-603(3)(a) Utah Code Annotated, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Department of Veterans’ and Military Affairs in Item 3, Chapter 10, Laws of Utah 2016 not lapse at the close of Fiscal Year 2017. Use of any nonlapsing funds is limited to: Purchase of up to two vehicles and Military Affairs one-time operations costs.

The Legislature intends that the Department of Veterans’ and Military Affairs be allowed to increase its vehicle fleet by up to two vehicles with funding from existing appropriations.

The Legislature intends that the Department of Veterans’ and Military Affairs report by October 17, 2017 to the Executive Appropriations Committee on the following performance measures for the Veterans’ and Military Affairs line item: (1) Provide programs that assist veterans with filing and receiving compensation, pension, and educational benefits administered by the U.S. Veterans’ Administration (Target = 5% annual growth); (2) Assist in ensuring veterans are employed in the Utah workforce (Target = Veterans’ unemployment rate no greater than the statewide unemployment rate); (3) Increase the number of current conflict veterans that are connected to appropriate services (Target = 10% annual increase); (4) Provide veterans with a full range of burial services and related benefits that reflect dignity, compassion, and respect (Target = 95% satisfaction); and (5) Identify, plan, and advise on military mission workload opportunities through engagement with federal and state parties and decision makers (Target = 95%).

Veterans’ Nursing Home Fund

The Legislature intends that the Department of Veterans’ and Military Affairs report by October 17, 2017 to the Executive Appropriations Committee on the following performance measures for the Veterans’ Nursing Home Fund line item: (1) Occupancy rate (Target = 95% average); (2) Compliance with all state and federal regulations for operations, licensing, and payments (Target = 95%); (3) Best in class rating in all national customer satisfaction surveys (Target = 80%); and (4) Deviations in operations, safety, or payments are addressed within specified times (Target = 95%).

Legislative Fiscal Analyst

The Legislature intends that the Legislative Fiscal Analyst report by October 17, 2017 to the Subcommittee on Oversight on the following performance measures for the Legislative Fiscal Analyst line item: (1) On-target revenue estimates (Target = 92% accurate for estimates 18 months out, 98% accurate for estimates four months out); (2) Correct appropriations bills (Target = 99%); (3) Unrevised fiscal notes (Target = 99.5%); and (4) Timely fiscal notes (Target = 95%)

Legislative Research and General Counsel

The Legislature intends that the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel report by July 1, 2018 to the Subcommittee on Oversight on the following performance measures for the Legislative Research and General Counsel line item, based on average scores from legislative surveys with a possible rating of 1-5 (5 being highest): (1) Timeliness of research and information provided by LRGC (Target = Greater than 4.15); (2) Contact by staff in a timely manner after opening bill files (Target = Greater than 4.22); (3) Quality of research and information provided by LRGC (Target = Greater than 4.48); and (4) Staff presentations at interim meetings (Target = Greater than 4.49).
Legislative Auditor General

The Legislature intends that the Legislative Auditor General report by October 17, 2017 to the Subcommittee on Oversight on the following performance measures for the Legislative Auditor General line item: (1) Total audits completed each year (Target = 18); (2) Agency recommendations implemented (Target = 98%); and (3) Legislative recommendations implemented (Target = 85%).