



MINUTES

EXECUTIVE OFFICES AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 19, 2018 | 8:30 a.m. | 25 House Building

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher, Senate Chair
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings, House Chair
Rep. Bruce R. Cutler, House Vice Chair
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Rep. Cheryl K. Acton
Rep. James A. Dunnigan
Rep. Ken Ivory
Rep. Brian S. King

Rep. Angela Romero

Members Absent:

Sen. Curtis S. Bramble
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Rep. Brian M. Greene
Rep. Logan Wilde

Staff Present:

Ms. Linda Service, Session Secretary
Mr. Gary R. Syphus, Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Alexander R. Wilson, Fiscal Analyst

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Senate Chair Thatcher called the meeting to order.

1 . EOCJ Session Funding Review

Mr. Gary Syphus, Fiscal Analyst, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA), presented a summary of legislative action for the state and subcommittee and the funding results compared to how the subcommittee ranked funding items.

[1a-Budget of the State of Utah](#)

[1b-Summary of 2018 Legislative Actions](#)

[1c-2018 Interim Agenda Items](#)

Rep. Cutler requested a link back to the description of programs on line items on page #110.

Mr. Alex Wilson, Fiscal Analyst, LFA, discussed JJS Summary.

2 . Attorney General - Internal Service Fund

Mr. Wilson introduced the Attorney General's Office with an emphasis on the changing of the funding structure for legal services to other state agencies within the State of Utah, that is, changing that funding structure to an internal service fund as a billing model

Ms. Kimberly Schmeling, Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer, Attorney General's Office (AGO), presented a comprehensive overview of the office.

Rep. Cutler requested clarification on the internal service fund model.

Mr. Brian Tarbet, Chief Civil Deputy, AGO, summarized the presentation.

3 . Allocation of Corrections Compensation Increases

[3-Corrections Presentation - Compensation Allocation](#)

Mr. Syphus introduced the issue of compensation adjustment for certified staff.

Mr. Mike Haddon, Interim Executive Director, Department of Corrections (DOC), gave a brief review of their present status and a presentation of the allocation of Corrections compensation increases.

Mr. Haddon and Chair Thatcher discussed the need for increases in DOC salaries.

Mr. Jim Hudspeth, Director, Adult Probation and Parole, Department of Corrections, and Mr. Haddon addressed Rep. Dunnigan's question relating to the FY2018 salary increases.

Sen. Iwamoto asked for clarification on the gap between DOC and other agencies' salaries.

Rep. Acton requested questions on morale and job satisfaction and performance.

4 . Driver License Plan for New Revenue

Mr. Syphus introduced the Driver License Division, Department of Public Safety.

[4-DLD Fee Briefing June 2018](#)

Mr. Chris Caras, Director, Driver License Division, reviewed the plan for new revenue and how it relates to their long-term strategic plan.

Rep. Cutler asked Mr. Caras about the possibility of moving to paperless when applying for driver licenses.

Mr. Caras responded to questions from Rep. Dunnigan and Rep. Hutchings with respect to the use of facial recognition.

5 . Voting Equipment

Mr. Wilson explained that the Lt. Governor's Office has been asked to provide an update on how funds appropriated to them to purchase and maintain voting equipment has been and are to be spent.

Mr. Justin Lee, Director of Elections, Lt. Governor's Office, detailed funding and proposed expenditures in relation to state and federal appropriations.

5-Voting Equipment Funding

A discussion followed with Mr. Lee responding to questions from several committee members. Topics included costs to the state for voting machine upgrades, ranked-choice voting, state-wide vendor system, and voting costs to the counties.

Mr. Lee continued his presentation addressing the state's security plan.

Mr. Lee replied to a question from Rep. Hutchings regarding the length of life of voting machines.

MOTION: Rep. Cutler moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 8.



Yeas-7

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. B. Cutler
Rep. E. Hutchings
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King
Rep. A. Romero
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays-0

Absent-8

Sen. C. Bramble
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Sen. L. Fillmore
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. R. Okerlund
Rep. L. Wilde

Chair Thatcher adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.