Office of Program Research

Appropriations Committee

SB 6818

Brief Description: Promoting transparency in state expenditures.

Sponsors: Senators Oemig, Brandland, Tom, Zarelli, Kastama, Weinstein, Kilmer, Keiser and Kohl-Welles.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Develops a public Web site on state expenditure information by January 1, 2009.

Hearing Date: 2/26/08

Staff: Charlie Gavigan (786-7340).

Background:

Under the State Budget and Accounting Act, the Office of Financial Management (OFM) maintains a comprehensive financial accounting and reporting system for all agencies of state government. This system accounts for all state agency revenues, expenditures, receipts, and disbursements, as well as statewide budget information.

Summary of Bill:

By January 1, 2009, the Office of Financial Management is directed to make publicly available a state expenditure information web site that contains for the prior fiscal year: (1) state expenditures by fund or account; (2) expenditures by agency, program, and subprogram; (3) state revenues by source; (4) state expenditures by budget object and subobject; and (5) state agency workloads, caseloads, and performance measurements.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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