
Appropriations Committee

HB 1816

Brief Description: Making 2021-2023 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.

Sponsors: Representatives Ormsby and Gregerson; by request of Office of Financial Management.

<p style="text-align: center;">Brief Summary of Bill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Makes supplemental changes to operating budget appropriations for the 2021-23 biennium.

Hearing Date: 1/10/22

Staff: Charlie Gavigan (786-7340)

Background:

The state government operates on a fiscal biennium that begins on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. A two-year biennial operating budget is adopted every odd-numbered year. Supplemental budgets frequently are enacted in each of the following two years after adoption of the biennial budget. Appropriations are made in the biennial and supplemental budgets for the operation of state government and its various agencies and institutions, including higher education, as well as allocations for the funding of K-12 public schools.

The 2021-23 biennial operating budget appropriates \$59.0 billion from the Near General Fund-Outlook accounts (General Fund-State and the Education Legacy Trust Account, the Opportunity Pathways Account, and the Workforce Education Investment Account). The total budgeted amount, which includes state, federal, and other funds, is \$121.6 billion.

Summary of Bill:

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Near General Fund-Outlook (NGF-O) appropriations for the 2021-23 biennium are increased by a net of \$3.04 billion; the total budget is increased by a net of \$5.98 billion. The larger net NGF-O increases are in Special Appropriations to the Governor for a variety of items (\$1.1 billion), the Health Care Authority (\$359 million), the Department of Commerce (\$359 million), the Department of Social and Health Services (\$333 million), and the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (\$230 million). The larger net total budgeted increases, excluding Special Appropriations to the Governor since those are nearly all NGF-O, are in the Health Care Authority (\$1.3 billion), the Department of Social and Health Services (\$1.1 billion), and the Department of Commerce (\$668 million).

Other changes to the original 2021-23 biennial budget are also made.

Appropriation: The bill contains multiple appropriations. Please see the bill.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.