Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research



Appropriations Committee

HB 2104

Brief Description: Making 2023-2025 fiscal biennium supplemental operating appropriations.

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

Brief Summary of Bill

• Makes supplemental changes to operating budget appropriations for the 2023-25 biennium.

Hearing Date: 1/8/24

Staff: Mary Munroe (786-7391).

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 2023-25 Biennial Operating Budget appropriates \$69.8 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 \$133.6 billion including appropriations in other legislation.

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Summary of Bill:

Near General Fund-Outlook (NGF-O) appropriations for the 2023-25 biennium are increased by a net of \$2.0 billion to \$71.8 billion and the total budget is increased by a net of \$5.6 billion to \$139.2 billion including maintenance level and policy level changes. The largest increases are in the Health Care Authority (\$446.4 million NGF-O and \$1.7 billion total budgeted), the Department of Social and Health Services (\$577.6 million NGF-O and \$737.7 million total budgeted), and K-12 schools (\$331.2 million NGF-O and \$808.6 million total budgeted).

Other changes to the original 2023-25 Biennial Operating 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.

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