

LSC Greenbook

Analysis of the Enacted Budget

Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review

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OVERVIEW

Agency Overview

Created in 1977, the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) is responsible for the oversight of proposed new, amended, and rescinded rules from certain state agencies, boards, and commissions. Rule-making agencies are required to fully review and submit to JCARR each of their rules at least once every five years. As part of that process, they are required to review each of their rules and determine whether to continue them without change, amend them, or rescind them.

JCARR is a ten-member joint legislative committee. The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate each appoint five members from their respective chambers to serve on the joint committee, with not more than three being from the same political party. In odd-numbered years, the chairperson is a House member of the joint committee appointed by the Speaker of the House; in even-numbered years, the chairperson is a Senate member of the joint committee appointed by the President of the Senate. JCARR meets and holds public hearings not less than once every three weeks throughout the year. The committee is supported by a staff of four full-time employees.

Appropriation Overview

JCARR's entire budget is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund (GRF). The enacted budget represents an increase of 24.2% from the actual expenditures in FY 2015 to FY 2016, followed by an increase of 3.9% in FY 2017.

JCARR Appropriations by Fund Group, FY 2016-FY 2017 (Am. Sub. H.B. 64)					
Fund Group	FY 2015*	FY 2016	% change, FY 2015-FY 2016	FY 2017	% change, FY 2016-FY 2017
General Revenue	\$397,171	\$493,139	24.2%	\$512,253	3.9%
TOTAL	\$397,171	\$493,139	24.2%	\$512,253	3.9%

*FY 2015 figures represent actual expenditures.

ANALYSIS OF ENACTED BUDGET

JCARR's operations are funded by a single line item that draws its appropriation from the GRF. The table below shows the appropriated funding level for this line item.

Appropriations for JCARR				
Fund	ALI and Name		FY 2016	FY 2017
General Revenue Fund				
GRF	029321	Operating Expenses	\$493,139	\$512,253
Total Funding: JCARR			\$493,139	\$512,253

JCARR uses GRF line item 029321, Operating Expenses, to pay all of its operating expenses. The enacted budget funds this line item in the amount of \$493,139 for FY 2016, an amount that is 24.2% more than FY 2015 actual expenditures. For FY 2017, the appropriation increases by 3.9% to \$512,253.

The enacted budget contains a temporary law provision requiring the Director of Budget and Management, at the direction of the Executive Director of JCARR, to transfer the line item's unexpended, unencumbered appropriation balance in FY 2015 to FY 2016, and similarly, from FY 2016 to FY 2017. The enacted budget also specifies that the Legislative Service Commission will act as JCARR's fiscal agent and clarifies that rules adopted by the Department of Taxation are subject to periodic JCARR review.

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FY 2016 - FY 2017 Final Appropriation Amounts

All Fund Groups

Line Item Detail by Agency

			Appropriation	FY 2015 to FY 2016	Appropriation	FY 2016 to FY 2017		
			FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017		
					% Change	% Change		
Report For Main Operating Appropriations Bill			Version: As Enacted					
JCR Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review								
GRF	029321	Operating Expenses	\$ 394,788	\$ 397,171	\$ 493,139	24.16%	\$ 512,253	3.88%
General Revenue Fund Total			\$ 394,788	\$ 397,171	\$ 493,139	24.16%	\$ 512,253	3.88%
Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review Total			\$ 394,788	\$ 397,171	\$ 493,139	24.16%	\$ 512,253	3.88%