

**75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2009 Regular Session
BUDGET REPORT AND MEASURE SUMMARY**

MEASURE: HB 5015-A

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

**Carrier – House: Rep. Nathanson
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Winters**

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed A-Engrossed

Vote: 19 – 0 – 3

House – Yeas: Buckley, D. Edwards, Garrard, Gilman, Jenson, Komp, Nathanson, Richardson, Shields, G. Smith
– Nays:
– Exc: Galizio, Kotek

Senate – Yeas: Carter, Girod, Johnson, Monroe, Nelson, Verger, Walker, Whitsett, Winters
– Nays:
– Exc: Bates

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Meeting Date: February 6, 2009

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Budget Summary*

	2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget (1)	2007-09 Committee Recommendation	Committee Change from 2007-09 Leg. Approved	
			\$\$ Change	% Change
General Fund	\$ 80,646,693	\$ (3,817,739)	\$ -3,817,739	-4.7%
General Fund Debt Service	\$ 5,768,124	\$ (488,376)	\$ -488,376	-8.5%
Other Funds	\$ 5,650,487	\$ 0	\$ 0	%
Other Funds Nonlimited	\$ 1,573,061	\$ 0	\$ 0	%
Total	\$ 93,638,365	\$ (4,306,115)	\$ -4,306,115	-4.6%

(1) Includes adjustments through the December 2008 meeting of the Emergency Board

*Excludes Capital Construction expenditures

Summary of General Government Subcommittee Action

House Bill 5015 is the 2007-09 disappropriation bill for five legislative agencies: Legislative Assembly, Legislative Administration Committee, Legislative Counsel Committee, Legislative Fiscal Officer, and the Legislative Revenue Officer. The subcommittee approved 2007-09 budget reductions of \$4.3 million General Fund, or a five percent reduction in the overall General Fund budget for the biennium.

Legislative leadership testified on the bill and expressed their desire to make reductions to the Legislative Branch before the rest of state agencies. They also announced a pay freeze for legislative staff and members as well as the elimination of out-of-state travel and all instate overnight travel by legislative employees, in preparation for further potential reductions.

Legislative Assembly

The reduction to the Legislative Assembly totals \$2.7 million General Fund. The 74th Legislative carry-over budget is reduced by \$1.5 million, as a result of the Assembly being proactive at reducing costs over the last several months. Member interim accounts were reduced \$773,000, Leadership Offices and Desks were reduced \$218,532 and unspecified reductions of \$98,423 were taken. The Services and Supplies budget was reduced by \$150,000 General Fund.

Legislative Administration Committee

The subcommittee reduced the Legislative Administration Committee budget by a total of \$826,991 General Fund. This includes \$488,376 General Fund debt service on the Capitol remodel that was not needed, \$150,000 that was set aside for the Task Force on Court Facilities that was not needed, as well as a small amount of savings left over from the Public Safety Strategies Task Force. In addition, the budget was reduced by \$163,615 to account for vacancy savings and reductions in Services and Supplies.

Legislative Counsel Committee

The reduction to the Legislative Counsel Committee totals \$428,108 General Fund. This consists of vacancy savings and savings in rent costs.

Legislative Fiscal Officer

The subcommittee reduced the budget for the Legislative Fiscal Officer by \$297,000 General Fund. This consists of vacancy savings and savings in rent costs. It also includes \$100,000 that was budgeted for audits of agencies no longer under the budget authority of the Executive branch.

Legislative Revenue Officer

The subcommittee reduced the budget for the Legislative Revenue Officer by \$49,902 General Fund. This consists of vacancy savings and savings in rent costs.