

SB 5501

Advocacy Commissions Office

SB 5501 is the budget bill for the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office. The office was established in 2005 to provide administrative support to the Commission on Asian Affairs, the Commission on Black Affairs, the Commission on Hispanic Affairs, and the Commission for Women. The commissions themselves serve as liaisons between the minority communities and government entities and work to establish economic, social, legal, and political equality in Oregon.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends a budget of \$696,146 total funds which includes three positions comprising 2.50 FTE. This budget represents a 4% increase from the 2015-17 legislatively approved budget and a 5.6% reduction from the 2017-19 adjusted current service level.

Other Funds revenue projections have been reduced to \$9,481 which reflects the actual donations collected by the agency based on a three-biennia average. Reductions to services and supplies account for the consolidation of the Commissions' websites into one web address, switching to a free conference call system, and converting cell phones to limited data plans while delaying upgrades.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends SB 5501 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.