

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 5021

Office of the Governor

HB 5021 is the budget bill for the Office of the Governor.

The bill includes \$16,453,726 General Fund, \$3,962,796 Lottery Funds, and \$3,924,437 Other Funds for a total budget of \$24,340,959. This funding level continues all programs and provides additional resources for a Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator and a limited duration Census Coordinator. The budget also provides for staff adjustments to ensure the budget aligns with the Office's organization. These changes include the transfer in of an Education Policy Advisor from the former Chief Education Office. The net position change is an addition of three positions for a total of 62 positions (61.63 FTE). In addition, Other Funds expenditure limitation is included for Small Business Forums to be held around the state and for the purchase of two vans for the extradition program that is housed in the Governor's Office.

A budget note directs the Office to work with the Department of Administrative Services to evaluate alternative funding source methodologies, including an assessment-based approach and to present the findings to the 2020 Legislature. The budget note includes direction regarding positions loaned by agencies to the Governor's Office noting that such actions should be limited to issues that are temporary in nature.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends HB 5021 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.