

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 5022 Office of the Governor

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: General Government Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Smith

HB 5022 is the budget bill for the Office of the Governor.

The bill includes \$21.9 million General Fund, \$4.7 million Lottery Funds, \$4.2 million Other Funds, and includes 67 positions. This funding level is 5.8% higher than the 2021-23 legislatively approved budget.

The budget includes reductions created by increasing assumed vacancy savings. Funding was added to continue the State Wildfire Programs Director position into the next biennium and add two new policy advisor positions to work on Behavioral Health, and Housing policies. Finally, the budget transfers a position to DAS to work in the Cultural Change Office. This position has been assigned to this office during the current biennium, and this transfer will align the budget with current operations.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends HB 5022 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.