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Budget Information Report

Compiled Budget Notes February 2008 Special Session

The following is a compilation of all legislatively adopted budget notes for the February 2008 special session. A budget note is a directive to a state agency on the legislative intent of a particular budget measure and is typically technical in nature, directing administrative and managerial actions relating to the agency's execution of its biennial budget.¹

Budget notes statistics in brief

The budget notes from the 2008 special and the 2007 regular sessions can be categorized as follows:

2008	2007-09	Volume of Budget Notes
Special	Regula	
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8	74	total number of budget notes
8	70	total number of unique budget notes
0	4	total number of duplicate budget notes
2	10	total number of joint budget notes or those detailing more than one agency
2	33	number of budget reports with a budget note
8	27	number of agencies with at least one budget note (out of approximately 100 total)
0	19	number of agencies with more than one budget note
1	11	greatest number of budget notes for one agency (Department of Human Services)

The general purpose of the adopted budget notes for the last two legislative sessions is categorized below:

2008	2007-09	
Special Session	Regular Session	General Purpose of Budget Notes
3	50	number of budget notes dealing with submission of a report
0	11	number of budget notes dealing with performance measures
2	5	number of budget notes of instruction on budget execution
1	5	number of budget notes dealing with expenditure limitation or scheduling
2	3	number of work groups established
0	0	number of budget notes dealing with a special purpose appropriation
0	0	number of possible general purpose appropriations

ⁱ For a more complete discussion of what a budget note is, their origin, legal standing, and use, please refer to *Budget Information Brief 2007-3, Budget Note*, which is posted on the Legislative Fiscal Office website under "Publications" at http://www.leg.state.or.us/comm/lfo/home.htm

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February 2008 Special Session Budget Notes

Eight budget notes were adopted by the Legislature during the February 2008 special session. There are a total of 82 budget notes operative for the current biennium, including 74 notes adopted during the 2007-09 regular session. This compares to 92 budget notes adopted during the 2005-07 biennium. ⁱⁱ

The text of each budget note is below and is sorted by program area, agency, measure number, and Oregon Chapter law reference. The numeric below each agency title and the Chapter Law are for reference purposes only.ⁱⁱⁱ The budget reports for SB 5555 and SB 5556 include additional language beyond the note itself that establishes the context or provides additional information on a specific note.

Education Program Area

Department of Higher Education

SB 5555-A

1492

Chapter 15, 2008 Laws

The Committee approves construction of a new arena for the University of Oregon, with the understanding that the University of Oregon Athletic Department will establish and maintain an Arena Bond Reserve Fund until the time that the Article XI-F(1) bonds approved for this project are retired, as outlined in a February 19, 2008 letter from the University of Oregon President and entered into the record of the Committee. The Department shall only withdraw monies from this Fund in the event that Athletic Department net operating revenues, donations, and permissible withdrawals from the Athletic Department Legacy Fund are insufficient to meet the department's debt service requirements. The Committee expects that the university will limit withdrawals from the Arena Bond Reserve Fund to circumstances where other viable options to meet the department's debt service requirements, without expenditure of funds outside of the university's auxiliary and restricted funds available to the Athletic Department budget, are exhausted. The Department shall report all withdrawals from the Arena Bond Reserve Fund in its biennial budget requests to the Legislative Assembly.

Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development 1493

SB 5555-A

Chapter 15, 2008 Laws

The Committee approves \$4 million of Article XI-G bonds for facilities at Clatsop Community College, with the understanding that these bonds shall be applied against the total Article XI-G bond authorization for community college capital construction projects in the 2009-11 biennium budget. The Committee supports ongoing Article XI-G bond support of approximately \$40 million per biennium for community college capital construction projects, and understands that approximately \$36 million of additional Article XI-G bond authority remains for community college capital construction projects, for the 2009-11 biennium, under this policy. The Committee further expects that priority will be given to capital construction projects at community colleges that have not recently received Article XI-G bond proceeds from the state.

Teachers Standards and Practices Commission

SB 5556-A

1494

Chapter 16, 2008 Laws

The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission is directed to report to the interim Joint Ways and Means Committee or the Emergency Board, and the interim education committees on the status of the backlog of discipline cases being investigated by the agency. The report should include the factors that influence the number of cases, the actions taken to control the backlog, and any financial impact the backlog is having on the agency.

ⁱⁱ Please refer to Compiled Budget Notes, 2007 Legislative Session (October 2007), which is posted on the Legislative Fiscal Office website under "Publications" at http://www.leg.state.or.us/comm/lfo/home.htm

iii The Oregon Chapter Law is the legal citation for an enrolled measure and does not serve as a reference for a budget report or budget note.

Human Services Program Area

Department of Human Services

SB 5556-A

1495 Chapter 16, 2008 Laws

The Department of Human Services is directed to report to the Emergency Board by September 30, 2008 on eligibility duration and re-enrollment policies for the state's Children's Health Insurance Program and the Medicaid Poverty Level Medical program for children. The report should include an assessment of the impacts of re-enrollment policies on health status, program caseloads, administrative costs, and the 2009-11 biennial costs from extending the eligibility period of the Medicaid Poverty Level Medical program for children from six months to twelve months.

Public Safety Program Area

Criminal Justice Commission

SB 5556-A

1496

Chapter 16, 2008 Laws

The Criminal Justice Commission is directed to establish a Public Safety Agency Data Sharing Work Group and to convene the Group on a regularly scheduled basis. Work Group members should include representatives from the major public safety state agencies and representatives from local public safety agencies. The Department of Administrative Services is directed to provide technical assistance to the Group. The Judicial Department is requested to participate in the Group and to provide ongoing information to the Group as the Department develops and implements its eCourt project. The purpose of the Public Safety Agency Data Sharing Work Group is to: 1) identify shared data requirements on a statewide basis, including local public safety partners; 2) develop uniform data management standards to ensure that data can be effectively shared; 3) identify the data that must be included in a public safety data warehouse; 4) adopt national public safety data standards for data exchange and develop timeframes for implementation; and 5) identify the resources required to establish a statewide public safety data warehouse. Work Group members are expected to provide staff and other resources as needed to support the efforts of the Work Group and the Criminal Justice Commission within their respective approved budgets.

The Criminal Justice Commission is directed to report to any legislative information management committee that may be established, or to the Emergency Board or the Joint Committee on Ways and Means, based on direction from the Legislative Fiscal Office. The Criminal Justice Commission and the Judicial Department should jointly report on the accomplishments of the Group and integration with the eCourt project when the Judicial Department makes progress reports to the Emergency Board or the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Criminal Justice Commission

Also see Oregon Judicial Department (SB 5556-A: budget note 1499).

Economic and Community Development Program Area

Housing and Community Services Department

SB 5556-A

1497

Chapter 16, 2008 Laws

The Oregon Housing and Community Services Department is directed to reprioritize programs currently funded in the 2007-09 legislatively adopted budget for the purpose of providing \$1,000,000 to match the \$1,000,000 General Fund appropriated for affordable housing preservation. The Legislature recommends the \$1,000,000 General Fund appropriation be unscheduled until the Department provides a report to the Legislative Fiscal Office on actions the Department has taken to produce the Department's \$1,000,000 match.

Natural Resources Program Area

Department of Land Conservation and Development 1498

SB 5556-A

Chapter 16, 2008 Laws

The Task Force shall report to the Oregon Legislative Assembly on its progress in carrying out its work plan, at quarterly intervals or at key milestones. In addition to the preliminary conclusions and alternatives identified by the Task Force in its July 2007 report, in developing materials for public engagement the Task Force should identify key future land use outcomes (or alternative outcomes) that it believes are desirable, and appropriate outcome indicators for those.

Administration Program Area

Department of Administrative Services

Also see Criminal Justice Commission (SB 5556-A: budget note 1496).

Judicial Branch

Oregon Judicial Department

SB 5556-A

1499

Chapter 16, 2008 Laws

The Judicial Department is requested to assist the Criminal Justice Commission in convening the Public Safety Agency Data Sharing Work Group, as described in the budget note for the Criminal Justice Commission. The Judicial Department and Criminal Justice Commission will report at the meeting of the Emergency Board closest to December 2008 on the progress of the Group in completing the following: 1) identify shared data requirements on a statewide basis, including local public safety partners; 2) develop uniform data management standards to ensure that data can be effectively shared; 3) identify the data that must be included in a public safety data warehouse; 4) adopt national public safety data standards for data exchange and develop timeframes for implementation; and 5) identify the resources required to establish a statewide public safety data warehouse. The Judicial Department may include a request for Other Funds expenditure limitation from proceeds of the sale of Certificates of Participation to proceed with the eCourt project as part of the Emergency Board report.

Oregon Judicial Department

Also see Criminal Justice Commission (SB 5556-A: budget note 1496).

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