Department of Energy Testimony to House Finance Division I

Responses to Questions from Division I

- 1. What new full-time staff has been added to your budget?
 - a. The numbers below include salary and benefits only. IT costs, as with moving expenses, have been incorporated as part of this reorganization, but are not in all cases directly attributable to a single position. Our office is working with DoIT to allocate these previously budgeted costs across the appropriate accounting units in HB1. These accounting changes are not expected to yield an overall DoIT expense increase.

Position	Position Number	FY22	FY23	Purpose	Source of Funds
Commissioner	GV020	\$128,648	\$140,819	New	Utility
				Commissioner	Assessment/Fed
				of Energy	Funds
Deputy	GV013	\$128,447	\$145,794	New Deputy	Utility
Commissioner				Commissioner	Assessment/Fed
				of Energy	Funds
Division	GV008,	\$114,343	\$125,007	Codify	Utility
Directors (4)	GV009,			Divisions and	Assessment/Fed
	GV010,			require G&C	Funds/Dedicated
	GV012			Approval	funds
Utility Analyst	GV014-	\$114,343	\$125,007	Advisory staff	Utility
IV (6)	GV019			to adjudicative	Assessment
				commissioners	

- 2. What new part-time staff has been added to your budget?
 - a. None
- 3. What positions had to be eliminated in order to meet the governor's budget requirements?
 - a. Legacy positions have been eliminated as part of the reorganization. These are not tied to budgetary requirements but rather efficiencies found from the new proposal
 - b. Commissioner has transitional authority to eliminate vacant positions

Position	Position Number	FY22	FY23	Reasoning
Executive	9U141	\$176,902	\$0	Position
Director				abolished at end
				of current term;
				role no longer
				exists
General Counsel	9U505	\$153,726	\$160,147	Position
				abolished at end
				of current term;

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		role no longer
		exists

- 4. Is your agency adequately staffed to complete all work assigned to your agency in state law?
 - a. Yes
- 5. If the answer to Q. 4 is no, please describe.
 - a. N/A
- 6. What things are you doing (found in state law) that could be eliminated and why?
 - a. This reorganization will lead to a fresh review of existing statutes. HB2, as introduced, cast a wide net to encompass all existing statutes. Stakeholder engagement has already yielded some statutes set to be transition to the new Dept of Energy that may be anachronous or erroneous. Our office is preparing an amendment to HB2 that will not affect the appropriations contained in HB1.
- 7. What priorities did you have that were not funded? Cost? Description? Impact of not funding?
 - a. N/A
- 8. Please be prepared to discuss any HB2 sections that apply to your agency.
 - a. Our office is preparing an amendment to HB2 based on stakeholder engagement to ensure statutes have been correctly translated into this new agency structure.

Technical corrections to HB1 relative to the Department of Energy

Class 27 Expenses Organization

- Propose to centralize all class 27 expenses for the department in a single accounting unit to allocate across all funding sources proportionately.
 - The total amounts department-wide for Class 27 are correct. This change would not have a net financial impact
 - Current structure is not consistent between accounting units due to legacy elements of OSI and the former PUC.
 - Due to time constraints during the Governor's phase, we were able to establish a unified framework for class 27

Position Changes:

Positions to be abolished are as follows

- Position 14339 should be abolished at the end of FY21
 - Currently vacant; exists in AU1892
- Position 10015 should be abolished at the end of FY21
 - Currently vacant; exists in AU1891
- Position 9U573 should be abolished at the end of the current term

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 Currently a filled unclassified position; replaced by a new classified position with AU1888

Positions to be transferred

- Position GV027 should be transferred to the Department of Business and Economic Affairs Office of the Commissioner AU2007 for both years of the biennium
- Position 14373 should exist in AU1889 in both years of the biennium
 - Current version erroneously transfers this position between AU1887 and AU1889 in FY23
- Position 14358 should not be abolished and should be in AU1889 both years of the biennium
 - Current versions abolishes this position at end of FY21

Other position changes

- Position GV011 should be a classified position and transition to LG 33
- Position NW065 should become a DoIT Agency Direct and reclassified as an IT Manager IV