

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS31670 / S1434

This appropriation to the Office of the Attorney General provides enhancements to the FY 2025 maintenance budget that includes the elimination of the Fair Hearings Unit for cases now being heard at the Office of Administrative Hearings, a civil litigation and constitutional defense attorney, two energy and natural resources attorneys, two Transportation Department attorneys, replacement items, and the additional 2% CEC.

This bill also includes a FY 2024 supplemental appropriation for trial costs related to the Tucker v. Public Defense Commission lawsuit.

FISCAL NOTE

This appropriation provides an additional \$1,003,600 to the maintenance appropriation provided to the Office of the Attorney General found in Senate Bill 1267. Table 1 shows incremental adjustments to the budget found in the bill, of which the ongoing increase is \$872,300 and \$131,300 is onetime. Table 2 shows all the adjustments leading to the FY 2025 Total. The total budget for the Office of the Attorney General is \$34,126,500.

Table 1	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
1. Fair Hearings Personnel Reduction	(3.60)	(440,500)	0	0	(440,500)
2. Civil Litigation DAGs	1.00	169,200	0	0	169,200
3. Energy and Natural Resources DAGs	2.00	338,400	0	0	338,400
4. Transportation Department DAGs	2.00	319,400	0	0	319,400
Replacement Items	0.00	104,600	0	0	104,600
Add'l 2% Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	481,000	12,900	18,600	512,500
FY 2025 Budget Enhancements	1.40	972,100	12,900	18,600	1,003,600
% Chg from FY 2025 Maintenance	0.6%	3.2%	1.2%	1.2%	3.0%

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Table 2	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2024 Original Appropriation	228.00	30,587,600	1,091,300	1,514,300	33,193,200
2. Tucker v. Public Defense Commission	0.00	435,000	0	0	435,000
FY 2024 Total Appropriation	228.00	31,022,600	1,091,300	1,514,300	33,628,200
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	(785,600)	0	0	(785,600)
FY 2025 Base	228.00	30,237,000	1,091,300	1,514,300	32,842,600
Personnel Benefit Costs	0.00	(15,000)	(1,100)	700	(15,400)
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	39,600	0	0	39,600
1% Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	240,400	6,500	9,200	256,100
FY 2025 Program Maintenance - SB 1267	228.00	30,502,000	1,096,700	1,524,200	33,122,900
FY 2025 Budget Enhancements	1.40	972,100	12,900	18,600	1,003,600
FY 2025 Total	229.40	31,474,100	1,109,600	1,542,800	34,126,500
Chg from FY 2024 Orig Approp	1.40	886,500	18,300	28,500	933,300
% Chg from FY 2024 Orig Approp.	0.6%	2.9%	1.7%	1.9%	2.8%

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