



## Department of Law FY 2022-23 Comeback Requests

Department:	Department of Law
Title:	Budget Amendment #1 Medicaid Fraud Control Unit Request

	FY 2022-23 Request	JBC Action	Comeback Request	Difference Between Action and Comeback Request
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,147,611</b>	<b>\$796,351</b>	<b>\$886,317</b>	<b>\$89,966</b>
FTE	8.0	7.3	7.3	0.0
GF	\$286,903	\$199,088	\$221,579	\$22,492
CF	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RF	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FF	\$860,708	\$597,263	\$664,738	\$67,474

### Summary of Initial Request:

The Department of Law requested 8.0 FTE and \$1,147,611 Total Funds to increase the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) staffing to better address current investigative, prosecutorial, and reporting requirements, as well as providing the MFCU the ability to incorporate proactive investigative efforts.

The MFCU investigates fraud by Medicaid providers. The MFCU is funded primarily through a federal grant that requires a 25% state match. Currently the MFCU receives fraud complaints and investigation requests through a variety of means including outreach, an online complaint system, a dedicated MFCU fraud phone line, the state's Medicaid program, as well as from medical providers, patients, and associated relatives.

MFCU reviews these tips and opens investigations on validated tips. In addition to the traditional fraud reporting tips, MFCU is looking to enhance its investigative skills by including a proactive review of

Medicaid data and payments through datamining tools and staff analysis to spot potential fraud and investigate.

**Committee Action:**

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) approved this request in part. based on JBC staff recommendation. The JBC approved the Legal Assistant and the Assistant Attorney General salaries at the requested amounts to maintain pay equity in the department and ensure funds for these positions are appropriate to meet the Equal Pay for Equal Work requirements. The five Criminal Investigator positions and the Data Management position are currently approved for funding at range minimum.

**DOL Comeback:**

The DOL is requesting the JBC consider this budget comeback request. The DOL is requesting the five Criminal Investigator positions and the Data Management position be funded at the requested salaries. The request salaries address the need to meet the Equal Pay for Equal Work act. To maintain compliance with this act, newly, approved FTE will never be paid at the range minimum.

The DOL’s original budget request included funds to accommodate all state paid benefits including HLD, AED, and SAED. JBC policy is to fund only PERA and Medicare benefits along with the approved salary.

This request does not include any funds for HLD, AED, and SAED and only and specifically addresses the need to fund these positions in line with current salaries for those with similar job classifications and responsibilities.

**Calculations:**

<b>Comeback Request</b>	<b>Monthly Salary</b>	<b>Annual Salary</b>	<b>Prorated Pay*</b>	<b>PERA Base</b>	<b>Medicare</b>	<b>Total</b>
Data Management IV	6,179	74,148	67,969	7,816	986	76,771
Criminal Investigator II	7,551	90,612	415,305	47,760	6,022	469,087
<b>Total</b>						<b>545,858</b>
<b>JBC Action</b>	<b>Monthly Salary</b>	<b>Annual Salary</b>	<b>Prorated Pay*</b>	<b>PERA Base</b>	<b>Medicare</b>	<b>Total</b>
Data Management IV	5,428	65,136	59,708	6,866	866	67,440
Criminal Investigator II	6,253	75,036	343,915	39,550	4,987	388,452
<b>Total</b>						<b>455,892</b>

<b>Difference/Comeback</b>	<b>89,966</b>
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\*Prorated Rate is accommodating for General Fund pay date shift