

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (All Divisions except DCJ)  
FY 2016-17 JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE HEARING AGENDA**

**Tuesday, December 15, 2015  
9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**9:00-9:30 INTRODUCTIONS AND OPENING COMMENTS**

**9:30-10:10 DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW**

1. Please provide an update for each of the bulleted items below, including: current status of the programs; how programs are being evaluated and what metrics are used for the SMART process; outcomes or impacts of the policy changes; any waitlists or backlogs; significant budgetary impacts; and any topic-specific questions included in the bullet.
  - a. Ports of Entry (H.B. 12-1019)
    - i. Please address the current relationship with Utah, as relates to previous concerns between Utah and Colorado.
  - b. Consolidation of Fire and Homeland Security Functions (H.B. 12-1283)
  - c. Testing of Evidence of Sexual Assault (H.B. 13-1020)
  - d. Expand Background Checks for Firearm Transfers (H.B. 13-1229)
  - e. Colorado Firefighting Air Corps and Center for Excellence (S.B. 14-164 and H.B. 14-1336)
  - f. Toxicology Laboratory Services (H.B. 14-1340)
  - g. State Fire Engine Replacement of 5 Type 3/4 wildland fire engines
  - h. Instacheck concealed handgun permits

**10:10-10:40 REALIGNMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE**

2. Please explain why the Department does not anticipate cost savings associated with increased efficiencies realized from a realignment of the EDO.
3. Please clarify which, if any, administrative functions will remain at the division level. If any functions will remain at the division level, please explain why.
4. Will staff transferring to the Executive Director's Office (EDO) be physically moving, or will they remain located within division offices, but under the direction of the EDO?
5. The staff briefing noted 3.0 vacant FTE in the EDO that could offset part of the FTE increase.
  - a. Why are these 3.0 FTE not currently funded?
  - b. What is the current impact of these 3.0 FTE vacancies not being funded/filled?

- c. Please explain why these 3.0 FTE are not currently funded. Seemingly, at some point, there was adequate funding to fill these vacancies. Please explain how funding shifted from these 3.0 FTE and where that funding is currently being used.

#### **10:40-11:20 ADDITIONAL E-470 TROOPERS**

##### E-470 Contract and Payment

6. Was it the intent of the original Authority agreement that a portion of revenue would go toward increased safety and patrolling of the road, as provided by the Colorado State Patrol (CSP)?
7. When the CSP provides services for E-470, what portion is funded by the Authority? Are prorated costs of vehicles, vehicle maintenance, and equipment charged to the Authority?
8. The table included by CSP in the request indicated that troopers are logging more hours than the contracted amount. Additionally, the Department indicated that some hours billed to the Authority may be from troopers traveling through the corridor, but who are not necessarily assigned to the corridor for specific enforcement activities.
  - a. Please describe how E-470 payments are structured. For instance, is the Authority billed for actual hours, or is an annual payment made for the amount included in the contract?
  - b. How does the contract, CSP, and the Authority determine which trooper hours are billable to the Authority?
  - c. What happens if we do not use as many hours as the contract requires?
  - d. If additional funding is provided for the request, does the rest of the system gain back the hours provided by troopers that were over the contracted amount?
  - e. How did CSP and E-470 determine the number of needed hours (both in the current contract and in the requested increase) for the corridor?

##### Statewide Staffing and Safety Data

9. Please provide the following information for the past five years by troop (including the E-470 corridor), and for the state as a whole. When possible, please provide a corresponding map.
  - a. A description of how the Patrol determines how many troopers are needed in each troop, and what that allocation has been;
  - b. Actual number of troopers;
  - c. Total crashes;
  - d. DUI/DUID crashes;
  - e. Fatal crashes.
10. Is there a difference in safety on toll roads versus other types of public roads? If so, please explain the differences.

11. When looking at E-470 safety and troop levels as compared to the rest of the state, does E-470 receive more safety and service than the other roads in the state? Is the trend toward tolling going to lead to those that can pay getting more safety and service than can be afforded on other public roads?
12. Does the E-470 troop participate in DUI enforcement campaigns paid for and conducted by the State? If so, does it operate differently from other campaigns?
13. How have the legalization of marijuana and the new felony DUI law impacted the need for troopers?
14. What level of maintenance does the Department provide for fleet vehicles? What is the role of the Department of Personnel in maintenance of Public Safety vehicles? How is maintenance for the Department's fleet vehicles funded?

### **11:20-12:00 FIRE SAFETY GRANTS**

#### Background

15. Please provide history about the fire safety grant program, including the following:
  - a. What is the history of the state providing this type of funding and equipment to local governments?
  - b. Were Federal Mineral Lease (FML) moneys transferred from DOLA with H.B. 12-1283?
16. Did federal homeland security money ever fund these types of equipment? If so, has that funding changed over time?
17. Is the need for this equipment driven by changes to federal requirements?

#### Award Selection

18. Please provide more information about how the grants are selected and distributed, including the following:
  - a. Types of departments receiving grants (e.g. volunteer, rural, size of department)
  - b. Geographic location of departments receiving grants
19. Please provide an overview of the types of equipment provided via the fire safety grants, including the following:
  - a. Explanation of the differences between bunker gear and wildland gear;
  - b. Level of disease protection provided by the various types of equipment; and,

- c. Sourcing of the equipment. Specifically, was equipment purchased by the state through a federal purchasing process?
20. Of the \$19.0 million of grant requests, how many were qualified requests that would have been eligible for funding? What are the criteria used to determine qualification for the grants?

Funding for Fire Safety Grants

21. Have local districts raised their mill levy for this type of fire funding?
22. How best can the state support firefighters and local fire districts? Can the Department suggest a more appropriate and sustainable source of funding for these grants?

**ADDENDUM: OTHER QUESTIONS FOR WHICH SOLELY WRITTEN RESPONSES ARE REQUESTED**

1. Provide a list of any legislation that the Department has: (a) not implemented or (b) partially implemented. Explain why the Department has not implemented or has only partially implemented the legislation on this list.
2. Please provide a detailed description of all program hotlines administered by the Department, including:
  - a. The purpose of the hotline;
  - b. Number of FTE allocated to the hotline;
  - c. The line item through which the hotline is funded; and
  - d. All outcome data used to determine the effectiveness of the hotline.
3. Describe the Department's experience with the implementation of the new CORE accounting system.
  - a. How has the implementation improved business processes in the Department?
  - b. What challenges has the Department experienced since implementation and how have they been resolved (i.e. training, processes, reports, payroll)?
  - c. What impact have these challenges had on the Department's access to funding streams?
  - d. How has the implementation of CORE affected staff workload?
  - e. Do you anticipate that CORE implementation will result in the need for a permanent increase in staff? If so, indicate whether the Department is requesting additional funding for FY 2016-17 to address it.
4. If the Department receives federal funds of any type, please provide a detailed description of any federal sanctions for state activities of which the Department is already aware. In addition, please provide a detailed description of any sanctions that MAY be issued against the Department by the federal government during FFY 2015-16.

5. Does the Department have any outstanding high priority recommendations as identified in the "Annual Report of Audit Recommendations Not Fully Implemented" that was published by the State Auditor's Office and dated October 2015 (link below)? What is the department doing to resolve the outstanding high priority recommendations?

[http://www.leg.state.co.us/OSA/coauditor1.nsf/All/4735187E6B48EDF087257ED0007FE8CA/\\$FILE/1542S%20Annual%20Report.%20Status%20of%20Outstanding%20Audit%20Recommendations,%20As%20of%20June%2030,%202015.%20Informational%20Report.%20October%202015.pdf](http://www.leg.state.co.us/OSA/coauditor1.nsf/All/4735187E6B48EDF087257ED0007FE8CA/$FILE/1542S%20Annual%20Report.%20Status%20of%20Outstanding%20Audit%20Recommendations,%20As%20of%20June%2030,%202015.%20Informational%20Report.%20October%202015.pdf)

6. Is the department spending money on public awareness campaigns related to marijuana? How is the department working with other state departments to coordinate the campaigns?
7. Based on the Department's most recent available record, what is the FTE vacancy rate by department and by division? What is the date of the report?
8. For FY 2014-15, do any line items in your Department have reversions? If so, which line items, which programs within each line item, and for what amounts (by fund source)? What are the reasons for each reversion? Do you anticipate any reversions in FY 2015-16? If yes, in which programs and line items do you anticipate this reversions occurring? How much and in which fund sources do you anticipate the reversion being?
9. Are you expecting an increase in federal funding with the passage of the FFY 2015-16 federal budget? If yes, in which programs and what is the match requirement for each of the programs?
10. For FY 2014-15, did your department exercise a transfer between lines that is allowable under state statute? If yes, between which line items and programs did this transfer occur? What is the amount of each transfer by fund source between programs and/or line items? Do you anticipate transfers between line items and programs for FY 2015-16? If yes, between which line items/programs and for how much (by fund source)?