

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
ALL DIVISIONS EXCEPT THE  
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**JBC Budget Hearing**

**Monday, January 15, 2007**

**9:00am - 11:30pm**

**10 Minutes    Introductions and General Overview**

**20 Minutes    Common Hearing Questions for All Departments**

*Performance Measures*

1. How do your performance measures influence department activities and budgeting?
2. To what extent do the performance outcomes reflect appropriation levels?
3. To what extent do you believe that appropriation levels in your budget could or should be tied to specific performance measure outcomes?
4. As a department director, how do you judge your department's performance? What key measures and targets do you use?

*Implementing Legislation Concerning Illegal Immigration: H.B. 06S-1023 and H.B. 06S-1009*

5. Provide a list of programs in your department that are subject to the provisions of the two bills.
6. How has your department implemented the provisions of the two bills? What problems have been encountered in implementing them?
7. Provide an estimate of the costs your department will incur in FY 2006-07 to implement the bills. Are any additional costs anticipated in FY 2007-08? If so, please elaborate.
8. Provide a summary of anticipated savings in FY 2006-07 in your department as a result of not providing services to individuals who are in the country illegally. Are any additional savings anticipated in FY 2007-08? If so, please elaborate.

*Proposal to Eliminate "Cash Funds Exempt" in the Long Bill*

*Background. Joint Budget Committee staff has proposed eliminating the current "Cash Funds Exempt" column in the Long Bill and replacing it with a new column entitled "Transfers" effective with the FY 2008-09 Long Bill. The Joint Budget Committee has not formally voted on this issue. For details of the proposed change, please read the Joint Budget Committee staff memo from November 15, 2006, entitled "Proposed Long Bill Format Change." To help departments understand the new format, our staff has prepared an example of the Department of Revenue FY 2006-07 Long Bill in the proposed new format. This memo, and the example from the Department of Revenue, can be downloaded from the JBC web page at the following Internet address:  
[http://www.state.co.us/gov\\_dir/leg\\_dir/jbc/PLBFC11-15-06.pdf](http://www.state.co.us/gov_dir/leg_dir/jbc/PLBFC11-15-06.pdf)*

9. Please provide the Joint Budget Committee with a summary of any potential concerns that your department may have regarding the proposed change to the Long Bill format. Please highlight potential issues such as: implementation challenges, workload issues, and other related concerns.

## **Colorado State Patrol**

### **15 Minutes Overview Questions**

10. To what can the decline in the number of fatal crashes be attributed?
11. What is the State's current level of traffic deaths per 100 million vehicle miles traveled?
12. How does Colorado rank in comparison to the other 50 states in terms of traffic deaths per 100 million vehicle miles traveled?
13. What is the status of the human smuggling unit authorized by S.B. 06-225?

### **15 Minutes Decision Item #2**

14. What roadways comprise the Gaming highways, and how many miles of Gaming highways are there?
15. How many troopers are currently assigned to Gaming highways, and what percentage increase does this request represent?
16. Does the CSP patrol private highways within the Gaming communities?

17. Will any of the troopers from this request be patrolling private highways in the Gaming communities, and if so, how much will the local Gaming authorities contribute for the cost of these troopers?
18. What has been the CSP response, in terms of trooper levels, to the increase in traffic congestion along I-70 and the Western Slope due to oil and gas exploration?

**15 Minutes Decision Item #5**

19. Why does the Department lack spending authority under H.B. 04-1193 for no-insurance restitution funds given that the legislation authorizes 50 percent of the fines be transferred to the law enforcement agency?
20. Is the Division of Criminal Justice seeking a fee increase for the Victims and Witness Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Fund?
21. Why is the VALE Fund revenue declining?
22. Is the Victims Assistance line item funding specifically for highway victims or does it include other victims as well?
23. If the Victims Assistance line item includes funding for victims not related to highways, is it appropriate to use HUTF appropriations for this line item?

**15 Minutes HUTF “Off-the-Top” Funding Issue**

24. How does the Department plan to meet its HUTF funding needs given that a majority of its HUTF “off-the-top” appropriation will go toward funding common policy increases?
25. What funding mechanism would the Department recommend for the HUTF, and specifically the CSP, in future years?
26. Can the 6 percent limit on HUTF “off-the-top” appropriations be increased?
27. Please discuss the origin of the 6 percent limit on HUTF “off-the-top” appropriations?
28. Given that the Department was asked to reduce its vehicle lease line continuation appropriation for FY 2007-08 by \$409,468 in order to stay within the 6 percent limit on HUTF “off-the-top” appropriations, is the Department requesting the replacement of fewer vehicles than it needs to replace as a result of this reduction?

**10 Minutes Break**

## **Colorado Bureau of Investigation**

### **15 Minutes Overview Questions**

29. What is the current status of the expansion of laboratory facilities?
30. Are the expanded laboratory facilities currently operating, and are they producing the anticipated results?
31. Is the one-time funding in FY 2006-07 for the architectural and design costs of the Western Slope facility capital construction funds or operating funds?
32. Where within the Executive Director's Office budget can the architectural and design costs for the Western Slope facility be found?

### **15 Minutes Decision Item #3 and CCIC Audit Requirement Issue**

33. Is the CCIC audit requirement a new federal mandate under 24-75-101, C.R.S., which would impact the 6 percent limit?
34. What sanctions, if any, does the Department anticipate as a result of its noncompliance with the 2005 FBI CJIS audit?
35. Will the additional FTE being requested for FY 2007-08 be sufficient to meet the triennial audit requirements on the CBI?
36. Is the CCIC database a repository for concealed weapons permits?
37. Has any state ever been denied access to the NCIC database, or have any monetary sanctions been imposed on a state, as a result of noncompliance with NCIC audit requirements?

## **Office of Preparedness, Security, and Fire Safety**

### **20 Minutes Federal Funding for OPSFS Issue**

38. Will the Department require additional state funding to maintain the OPSFS programs and staff in FY 2007-08, and if so, what is the Department's estimate of its funding need?
39. What is the Department's long-term strategic plan for funding the OPSFS given the continuing decline in federal funding?

40. What specific actions can the Department take to increase the amount of federal funding available to the OPSFS?
41. Could the federally-funded programs within OPSFS be considered a federal mandate and thus exempt from the 6 percent limit?
42. What amounts of one-time federal funding has the Department received for OPSFS, and for what have these funds been used?
43. What is the status of the ability for various public safety agencies in Colorado to communicate with one another?
44. In the Department's opinion, why is the OPSFS eligible for HUTF "off-the-top" appropriations?
45. Why is the Department requesting that the human smuggling unit authorized by S.B. 06-225 be moved to the Office of Preparedness, Security, and Fire Safety?