

**DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
FY 2007-08 JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE HEARING AGENDA**

**Thursday, January 11, 2007
1:30 - 3:00 pm**

1:30-2:30 STATE TREASURER

INTRODUCTIONS AND OPENING COMMENTS

HEARING QUESTIONS COMMON TO 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

9. **Question.** 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.

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY PROGRAM

10. Is there a time limit on the Treasury's responsibility for returning unclaimed property to the rightful owner?
11. Please discuss the relationship between the length of time the Department holds unclaimed property and the likelihood of the Department returning the property to the rightful owner.

2:30-3:00 COVERCOLORADO

INTRODUCTIONS AND OPENING COMMENTS

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

1. As an executive director, how do you judge your program's performance? What key measures and targets do you use?
2. To what extent do the performance outcomes reflect the level of subsidy provided by the State?
3. Could you develop a performance measure that would indicate the extent to which

CoverColorado reduces costs incurred elsewhere (e.g., the cost of emergency room visits by individuals who are not able to obtain health insurance).

IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION CONCERNING ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION: H.B. 06S-1023

4. Is the CoverColorado program subject to the provisions of H.B. 06S-1023?
5. If so, please provide the following information:
 - a. How are the legislative provisions being implemented? What problems have been encountered in implementing them?
 - b. Provide an estimate of the implementation costs CoverColorado will incur in FY 2006-07. Are any additional implementation costs anticipated in FY 2007-08? If so, please elaborate.
 - c. Provide a summary of anticipated savings in FY 2006-07 in the CoverColorado program 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.

OTHER

6. Please describe when and how CoverColorado collects insurance carrier assessments.
7. What was the cost per “insured life” for each carrier assessment that has been collected to date?
8. What is the estimated cost per insured life of the assessment that is projected to occur in 2012?
9. Please respond to the issue brief prepared by Joint Budget Committee staff, dated November 14, 2006. Specifically, should the Committee consider introducing legislation to “smooth out” the collection of carrier assessments?