



JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE STAFF FY 2021-22 BUDGET BRIEFING SUMMARY

Colorado General Assembly
Joint Budget Committee

Department of State

The Department of State administers statutory provisions that pertain to elections; manages the statewide voter registration database; oversees campaign finance reporting; registers lobbyists and monitors the filing of required disclosures; collects, maintains, and provides public access to business filings; regulates charities and charitable gaming; and certifies notaries public. The Department's FY 2020-21 appropriation represents approximately 0.1 percent of statewide operating appropriations and 0 percent of statewide General Fund appropriations.

FY 2020-21 APPROPRIATION AND FY 2021-22 REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF STATE						
	TOTAL FUNDS	GENERAL FUND	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	FTE
FY 2020-21 APPROPRIATION:						
HB 20-1360 (Long Bill)	31,215,705	0	31,215,705	0	0	145.9
Other legislation	(112,524)	0	(112,524)	0	0	1.1
TOTAL	\$31,103,181	\$0	\$31,103,181	\$0	\$0	147.0
FY 2021-22 REQUESTED APPROPRIATION:						
FY 2020-21 Appropriation	\$31,103,181	0	\$31,103,181	\$0	\$0	147.0
R1 2020 HAVA election security grant state match	1,426,773	0	1,426,773	0	0	0.0
Centrally appropriated line items	1,239,331	0	1,239,331	0	0	0.0
Annualize prior year legislation and budget actions	14,347	0	14,347	0	0	(0.5)
Non-prioritized request items	(36,871)	0	(36,871)	0	0	0.0
Indirect cost assessment	(49,675)	0	(49,675)	0	0	0.0
Technical adjustments	(1,632,367)	0	(1,632,367)	0	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$32,064,719	\$0	\$32,064,719	\$0	\$0	146.5
INCREASE/(DECREASE)	\$961,538	\$0	\$961,538	\$0	\$0	(0.5)
Percentage Change	3.1%	0.0%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	(0.3%)

R1 2020 HAVA ELECTION SECURITY GRANT STATE MATCH: This request includes \$1,426,773 cash funds for FY 2021-22 from the Department of State Cash Fund for a state match to leverage federal funds of \$7,133,864. The State must match 20 percent of these funds in order to access the federal funds, and must have the spending authority by December 2021. The funding is to support ongoing election administration improvements and must be spent by December 2024.

CENTRALLY APPROPRIATED LINE ITEMS: The request includes an increase of \$1,239,331 cash funds for centrally appropriated line items summarized in the table below:

CENTRALLY APPROPRIATED LINE ITEMS						
	TOTAL FUNDS	GENERAL FUND	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	FTE
Legal services	\$430,009	\$0	\$430,009	\$0	\$0	0.0
Health, life, and dental	189,907	0	189,907	0	0	0.0
Leased space	170,000	0	170,000	0	0	0.0
Document management	165,336	0	165,336	0	0	0.0
Payments to OIT	111,457	0	111,457	0	0	0.0
Payment to risk management / property funds	57,898	0	57,898	0	0	0.0
AED	47,083	0	47,083	0	0	0.0
SAED	47,083	0	47,083	0	0	0.0
Workers' compensation	12,211	0	12,211	0	0	0.0
PERA Direct Distribution	10,472	0	10,472	0	0	0.0
Short-term disability	639	0	639	0	0	0.0
CORE	(2,299)	0	(2,299)	0	0	0.0
Administrative law judges	(465)	0	(465)	0	0	0.0
TOTAL	\$1,239,331	\$0	\$1,239,331	\$0	\$0	0.0

ANNUALIZE PRIOR YEAR LEGISLATION AND BUDGET ACTIONS: The request includes a net increase of \$14,347 cash funds to reflect the FY 2021-22 impact of bills passed in previous sessions, summarized in the following table.

ANNUALIZE PRIOR YEAR LEGISLATION AND BUDGET ACTIONS						
	TOTAL FUNDS	GENERAL FUND	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	FTE
HB 20-1379 Suspend DD to PERA	\$245,319	\$0	\$245,319	\$0	\$0	0.0
SB18-200 PERA unfunded liability	789	0	789	0	0	0.0
Expanded Outreach to Eligible but Unregistered	(135,000)	0	(135,000)	0	0	0.0
SB 20-096	(96,761)	0	(96,761)	0	0	(0.5)
TOTAL	\$14,347	\$0	\$14,347	\$0	\$0	(0.5)

NON-PRIORITIZED REQUEST ITEMS: The request includes a decrease of \$36,871 cash funds for items requested by other departments that impact the agencies covered in this briefing document. The following table itemizes each requested non-prioritized decision item.

NON-PRIORITIZED REQUEST ITEMS						
	TOTAL FUNDS	GENERAL FUND	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	FTE
FY 2021-22 annual fleet vehicle request	\$4,204	\$0	\$4,204	\$0	\$0	0.0
DPA Center for Organizational Effectiveness	1,496	0	1,496	0	0	0.0
OIT Budget request package	(42,571)	0	(42,571)	0	0	0.0
TOTAL	(\$36,871)	\$0	(\$36,871)	\$0	\$0	0.0

INDIRECT COST ASSESSMENT: The request includes a net decrease of \$49,675 cash funds in the Department's indirect cost assessment.

TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS: The request includes a decrease of \$1,632,367 cash funds from the Electronic Recording Technology Fund for an adjustment to the Electronic Recording Technology Board's beginning balance, provided for informational purposes.

SUMMARY OF ISSUES PRESENTED TO THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

2020 SESSION BUDGET BALANCING ACTIONS: In response to the budget challenges in the 2020 Session, the Joint Budget Committee and the General Assembly took actions that reduced the FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21 General Fund appropriations to various departments. However, because of the entirely cash-funded nature of the Department of State, no actions were available to reduce General Fund appropriations in any way. Further, the General Assembly took no actions to reduce cash funds appropriations in order to increase funds available for balancing purposes. While the annualization of prior legislation did decrease both General Fund and cash fund appropriations, these adjustments were expected decreases and had nothing to do with the balancing actions FY 2020-21.

R1 2020 HAVA ELECTION SECURITY GRANT MATCH: This issue request a 20 percent state funded match to draw down federal funds from the US Election Assistance Commission for grants provided through the Help America Vote Act (HAVA). To maintain ownership of this federal funding, the Department must secure spending authority for \$1,426,773 cash funds by December 2021. Additionally, the Department must spend the funds by December 2024, which will require the spending authority to roll forward until FY 2023-24.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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TO READ THE ENTIRE BRIEFING: http://leg.colorado.gov/sites/default/files/fy2021-22_stabrf.pdf