Senate Finance Subcommittee

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Subcommittee

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Department of Labor and Workforce Development Recommendations

The Senate Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Labor and Workforce Development submits an operating budget to the Senate Finance Committee as follows:

Fund Source	FY09 Mgt Plan Rev	FY10 Gov Amd+	FY10 Senate	Gov to Senate
General Fund Federal	29,822.8 85,866.2	29,176.8 87,638.2 60,240.5	29,791.8 87,638.2 60,420.5	615.0 0 180.0
Other Personnel	56,832.4	00,240.3	00,420.3	140.0
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Budget Action

The Subcommittee held three meetings and took the actions reflected in the attached Legislative Finance Division reports.

The Subcommittee adopted the FY 10 Adjusted base, and then accepted the increments, decrements, fund source changes and wordage in the Governor's Amended budget, with the adjustments mentioned below.

The most significant items in the Governor's request are continuations of one-time items from the FY09 budget as increments to the base, including funding for the Alaska Construction Academy Training and SAVEC (Southwest Alaska Vocational and Education Center.)

The Governor requested continuation of funding for three gas line-related, one-time items in the language section (section 16) of her bill. Those items are: Business Services gas line job training oversight and instruction, the Workforce Investment Board education skills coordinator, and the Labor Market Information gas line training program guide and regional workforce data distribution. The Subcommittee moved partial funding for both the Business Services increment and the Workforce Investment Board increment into the numbers section of the department budget, with the recommendation that all three items be removed from the language section, and that the balance of the Governor's request for these items be funded through the reappropriation of unexpended FY09 AGIA funding in the Governor's supplemental request.

This above action deletes \$860.0 GF from the bill's language section, while adding \$550.0 GF to the numbers section of the department budget, for a total GF reduction to the Governor's budget of \$310.0.

The Subcommittee made an additional \$25.0 decrement to Data Processing within the Commissioner and Administrative Services appropriation, to remove a one time item from a FY09 fiscal note.

The Subcommittee also added two wage and hour investigators to the Wage and Hour Administration allocation, to be funded with \$90.0 from the Worker Safety Fund and \$90.0 from the General Fund. This increment will allow the department to significantly increase visits to job sites to enforce minimum wage, child labor and resident hire laws, as well as ensure that employers have the required workers' compensation coverage and that they are correctly categorizing their workers' for workers compensation purposes each year.

Finally, the Subcommittee recommends that the Senate Finance Committee reappropriate or extend the lapse date for the unexpended balance of the FY09 appropriation for Alaska Construction Academy Training made in section 1, chapter 27 of SLA 2008. This roll-forward would provide the necessary funding to expand Construction Academy training in rural Alaska.

Documents attached:

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Legislative Finance Reports

- 1. Agency Totals FY10 Operating Budget-Senate Structure
- 2. Allocation Summary General Funds Senate Structure
- 3. Allocation Summary All Funds Senate Structure
- 4. Transaction Comparison Senate Structure (Adj Base and Senate Subcom)
- 5. Transaction Comparison Senate Structure (Gov. Amd+ and Senate Subcom)
- 6. Wordage Report FY10 Operating Budget Senate Structure
- 7. Transaction Comparison (House and Senate Subcom)

Respectfully submitted,

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