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Subcommittee Report FY11 Highlights

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee (HFBS) on the Legislature submits an operating budget for FY11 as follows:

DGF \$ 785.4 UGF \$66,314.6 Fed Funds \$0.0 Other Funds \$413.0 Total \$67,513.0

The HFBS budget authorizes \$1,013.8 less general funds and 6 less employees than the Legislature's initial FY11 request. The FY11 subcommittee budget requests a total increment from FY11 Adjusted Base of \$396.8 general funds.

The subcommittee proposal accepts both the decrement for the amount no longer needed for long term per diem and the corresponding transaction increasing legislator salary and benefits as recommended by the State Officers Compensation Commission. The increase proposed for legislator's annual allowance accounts has not been accepted pending further deliberations and final determinations by Legislative Council.

Line Item Transfers for budget realignment and authorization for increased I/A Rcpts have been authorized for Legislative Budget and Audit (LB&A) and Legislative Council. The 4 positions associated with LB&A's request for additional auditors are not authorized at this time. The Legislative Auditor is directed to first reassess the effectiveness of contract audit services. Should this assessment conclude the need for additional personnel, the Chair and Vice Chair of the LB&A committee may authorize such action.

\$600.0 excess GF spending authority in the LB&A appropriation was transferred to the Legislative Council appropriation to provide assurance that sufficient authority exists there to absorb all other additional GF funding requests without increased budget authority.

The subcommittee recommendation includes new intent language expressing legislator concerns pertaining to the requested range increase for the Administrator of the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics. The language requests Legislative Council make no salary increase until the position's minimum employee qualifications are revised to include an appropriate level of formal legal education and proficiency in the interpretation and application of statute.