MINUTES OF THE MEETING

JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE

April 20, 2010

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:12 a.m., Tuesday, April 20, 2010, in Senate Appropriations Room 109. The following were present:

Members: Senator Pearce, Chairman
          Senator Aboud
          Senator Gray
          Senator Harper
          Senator Pierce
          Senator Rios
          Representative Kavanagh, Vice-Chairman
          Representative Biggs
          Representative Cajero Bedford
          Representative Campbell
          Representative Heinz
          Representative McComish
          Representative Murphy
          Representative Williams

Absent: Senator Aguirre

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hearing no objections from the members of the Committee to the minutes of February 2, 2010, Chairman Russell Pearce stated that the minutes would stand approved.

ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD, ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION, AND DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING - Review of Requested Exchange of Fund Transfers.

Mr. Stefan Shepherd, JLBC Staff, stated that the FY 2011 General Appropriation Act (Laws 2010, 7th Special Session, Chapter 1, Section 114) and Laws 2009, 5th Special Session, Chapter 1, Section 3 requires that the Joint Legislative Budget Committee review agency requests to transfer monies between their own funds in order to comply with transfers required by these acts. The requested exchange of transfers consist of:

Arizona State Parks Board - A cash transfer of $1,915,800 from the Heritage Fund to the State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF), and a cash transfer of $2,302,100 from the Heritage Fund to the State Parks Enhancement Fund (SPEF).
Arizona Criminal Justice Commission

Drug and Gang Enforcement Account
A cash transfer of $187,300 from the Driving Under the Influence Abatement Fund and $344,000 from the Drug and Gang Prevention Resource Center Fund to the Drug and Gang Enforcement Account.

Victims Compensation and Assistance Fund
A cash transfer of $378,000 from the Driving Under the Influence Abatement Fund to the Victims Compensation and Assistance Fund.

State Aid to County Attorneys Fund
A cash transfer $40,700 from the Driving Under the Influence Abatement Fund to the State Aid to County Attorneys Fund.

Arizona Department of Housing - A cash transfer of $700,000 from the Housing Trust Fund to the Housing Program Fund.

The JLBC Staff presented options to the Committee.

Representative Kavanagh moved that the Committee give a favorable review to the Arizona State Parks Board’s, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission’s, and the Arizona Department of Housing’s proposed exchange of fund transfers. The motion carried.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES - Review of Children’s Rehabilitative Services and Behavioral Health Title XIX Capitation Rate Changes.

Mr. Art Smith, JLBC Staff, stated that this item is a review of the Department of Health Services’ Children’s Rehabilitative Service (CRS) and Behavioral Health Services (BHS) Title XIX Capitation Rate Changes. DHS states that the current budget, including the 7th Special Session supplemental, provides sufficient funding for the proposed capitation rate adjustments. The JLBC Staff presented options to the Committee.

Representative Kavanagh moved that the Committee give a favorable review to the Department of Health Services’ CRS and BHS Title XIX Capitation Rate Changes. The motion carried.


Mr. Ted Nelson, JLBC Staff, stated this item is a review of the Government Information Technology Agency’s Public Safety Communication Advisory Commission (PSCC). PSCC is responsible for developing a statewide, standard-based interoperability system that allows public safety personnel from one agency to communicate, via mobile radio, with personnel from other agencies. The JLBC Staff recommended a favorable review with the provision listed below.

Representative Kavanagh moved that the Committee give a favorable review to GITA’s FY 2010 second quarter report of expenditures and progress for the statewide interoperability design project with the provision that the next project review would occur after the fourth quarter, at which time GITA would provide its plan on the use of anti-racketeering monies. The motion carried.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Representative Kavanagh moved that the Committee go into Executive Session. The motion carried.

At 8:19 a.m. the Joint Legislative Budget Committee went into Executive Session.

Representative Kavanagh moved that the Committee reconvene into open session. The motion carried.

At 9:11 a.m. the Committee reconvened into open session.

A. Arizona Department of Administration - Risk Management Services - Consideration of Proposed Settlements under Rule 14.

Representative Kavanagh moved that the Committee approve the recommended settlement proposal by the Attorney General’s Office in the case of Tilousi, et al. v. Arizona Board of Regents, et al. The motion carried.

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Sandy Schumacher, Secretary

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Richard Stavneak, Director

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Senator Russell Pearce, Chairman

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