

JLBC MEETING

At its April 2019 meeting, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee considered the following issues:

Regular Agenda

Adoption of Committee Rule and Regulations – The Committee approved the rule change clarifying the existing Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) and Attorney General (AG) settlement limits. ADOA has the authority to settle claims on its own up to \$100,000, the AG has the authority to settle claims between \$100,001 and \$249,999, and JLBC has the authority to approve claims at \$250,000 and above pursuant to Rule 14 1A.

AHCCCS/Department of Economic Security/Department of Child Safety – Review of Capitation Rate Changes for Plan Year 2019 – The Committee gave an unfavorable review of AHCCCS' proposed capitation rate changes with a provision stating that AHCCCS and DES are to request any budgetary changes associated with an integrated Comprehensive Medical and Dental Program health plan in their FY 2021 budget submissions.

Consent Agenda

Arizona Department of Administration/Automation Projects Fund – Review of CHILDS (Department of Child Safety Subaccount) – The Committee gave a favorable review of \$5,000,000 in Automation Projects Fund expenditures for the Children's Information Library and Data Source (CHILDS) replacement project in FY 2019.

Department of Child Safety – Review of FY 2019 Second and Third Quarter Benchmarks – The Committee gave a favorable review of DCS' FY 2019 second and third quarter benchmarks assessing the progress made in increasing the department's number of FTE Positions, meeting standards for caseworkers, reducing the number of backlog cases and open reports, and reducing the number of children in out-of-home care.

Department of Child Safety – Review of Line Item Transfers – The Committee gave a favorable review of the proposed transfer of \$208,000 Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Family (TANF) Block Grant monies into the Kinship Care line item from the Out-of-Home Support Services line item.

Arizona Department of Education – Review of College Credit by Examination Incentive Program Report – The Committee gave a favorable review of ADE's annual

report on the College Credit by Examination Incentive Program.

Northern Arizona University – Review of Expenditure and Performance Report of Nonprofit Biotechnology Research Appropriation – The Committee gave a favorable review of NAU's CY 2018 report on the expenditure and performance of the grant recipient of its \$3.0 million per year grant to the nonprofit biomedical research entity, the Translational Genomic Research Institute (TGen).

Executive Session

Arizona Department of Administration – Risk Management Services - Consideration of Proposed Settlements – The Committee approved several settlements under Rule 14, which requires Committee approval of Risk Management settlements above \$250,000 pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-621(N).