

JLBC MEETING

At its April 10, 2014 meeting, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee considered the following issues:

Arizona Department of Administration – Review of Emergency Telecommunication Services Revolving Fund (ETSF) Expenditure Plan – The Committee gave a favorable review of the \$5.7 million wireless portion of the ETSF expenditure plan. The proposal would assist local governments which have yet to meet Geographic Information System Standards and subsequently have not been deployed into Phase II.

Phase I requires local public safety answering facilities to be able to identify the phone number of the caller whereas Phase II additionally requires the public safety answering facilities to identify the specific location of a 911 caller.

Arizona Department of Administration – Consider Approval of Employer Sanctions Enforcement Distributions – The Committee approved the Department of Administration's (ADOA) request to distribute \$300,500 of the \$513,200 FY 2014 appropriation for the enforcement of immigration-related employer sanctions. The approval included the following provisions:

- 1) If a county attorney or sheriff not currently scheduled to receive any monies subsequently requests FY 2014 funding, ADOA may provide those funds.
- 2) Any unused funds revert back to the General Fund.

The FY 2014 General Appropriation Act appropriated \$1.2 million to ADOA for County Attorney Immigration Enforcement Special Line Item with a footnote specifying that of the \$1.2 million amount, \$700,000 shall be allocated to Maricopa County. The remaining amount is to be distributed by ADOA to all other county sheriffs and county attorneys for

enforcement of immigration-related employer sanctions.

Arizona Department of Economic Security – Review of Contingency Funding Expenditure Plan – The Committee gave a favorable review of the Department of Economic Security's (DES) spending plan for the expenditure of monies from the Contingency Funding line item.

Through a footnote in the FY 2014 General Appropriation Act, \$10.5 million in the Contingency Funding line item is designated for unanticipated shortfalls in Child Protective Services (CPS). The department plans to use the Contingency Funding for CPS Emergency and Residential Placement to address a portion of DES' projected \$14.7 million shortfall for these placements.

Arizona Department of Economic Security – Review of Intensive Family Services Implementation – The Committee acknowledged reviewing the department's expenditure plan for the current fiscal year with the provision that the department report by June 1, 2014 on how it plans to expend the Intensive Family Services funds in FY 2015. With input from the House and Senate as well as the Child Protective Services Reform Workgroup, the Committee would then provide further guidance on whether the FY 2015 appropriation is to be expended for a new program or integrated into existing services.

The FY 2014 General Appropriation Act appropriated \$5 million from the General Fund to a new Intensive Family Services line item.

Arizona Department of Education – Review of Sunnyside Unified Payments – The Committee gave a favorable review to the Department of Education's plan to provide the Sunnyside Unified School District in Pima County with \$1.9 million in corrected Basic State Aid funding due to a recent settlement in the Arizona Tax Court regarding property taxes paid in prior years by the Raytheon Company.

**Arizona Department of Environmental
Quality – Review of Vehicle Emissions**

Contract Modifications – The Committee gave a favorable review of modifications to the Vehicle Emissions Inspection (VEI) contract with private vendor Gordon Darby Arizona Testing, Inc. Based on the vendor experience over the past year, the department and the vendor propose operation process and testing requirement changes relating to the following items: Gas Cap Replacement, Catalyst Efficiency Test, Special Vehicle Test Lane, Station Signage, Repair Industry Effectiveness, Liquid Leak Inspections, Diesel Testing in the Tucson Metro area and Wavier/Referee technicians and inspectors.

**AHCCCS/Department of Health Services –
Review of Revised Capitation Rate Changes
for Acute Care and Behavioral Health Services**

– The Committee gave a favorable review of capitation rates associated with the integration of Acute and Behavioral Health Care for the Seriously Mentally Ill residing in Maricopa County effective April 1, 2014, with the following provisions:

- 1) DHS report to the Committee by May 1, 2014 on the reasons for not using a reinsurance program.
- 2) AHCCCS report to the Committee on the status of its discussions with the federal government concerning childless adult cost sharing provisions.