

## JLBC MEETING

At its August 20, 2013 meeting, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee considered the following issues:

**Arizona Department of Administration** – Review of Automation Projects Fund – The Committee gave a favorable review of expenditure plans from the Automation Projects Fund for 3 information technology (IT) projects:

A. \$3.5 million for the Arizona Strategic Enterprise Technology (ASET) Office in the Arizona Department of Administration;

B. \$8.0 million to replace the Adult Inmate Management System at the Arizona Department of Corrections (ADC); and

C. \$3.4 million for projects related to the Arizona Learning and Accountability System (AELAS) at the Arizona Department of Education (ADE).

The Committee added technical provisions to its favorable review.

**Arizona Department of Corrections** – Review of FY 2013 Bed Capacity Report – The Committee gave a favorable review of the Department of Corrections' FY 2013 bed capacity report, which outlined the state's prison bed surplus/shortfall by classification level under various methodologies.

During FY 2013, the department reduced its total operating capacity by (179) beds, from 41,989 to 41,810. During the fiscal year, the inmate population increased by 809 from 39,877 to 40,686. The medium and close custody populations represented the majority of the increased population, and the department shifted resources from minimum custody units

to meet the needs of the medium and close custody populations.

**Attorney General** – Review of FY 2011 and FY 2012 Uncollectible Debts – The Committee gave a favorable review of the Attorney General's (AG) FY 2011 and FY 2012 listings of uncollectible debts referred to the AG by state agencies for collection. The uncollectible debt listings total \$17.2 million for FY 2011 and \$30.4 million for FY 2012.

**Arizona Board of Regents** – Review of FY 2014 Tuition Revenues – The Committee gave a favorable review of the Arizona Board of Regents' expenditure plan to use tuition revenue amounts greater than the amounts appropriated by the Legislature and all non-appropriated tuition and fee revenue for FY 2014.

**Arizona Department of Environmental Quality** – Review of Vehicle Emissions Contract Modification – The Committee gave a favorable review to proposed technical changes in the Department of Environmental Quality's Vehicle Emissions Inspection contract with a private vendor.