

## JLBC MEETING

At its September 2020 meeting, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee considered the following issues:

### Executive Session

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

### Regular Session

**Attorney General – Review of Election-Related Litigation and Civil Division Expenditure Plans** – A.R.S. § 44-1531.02C requires Committee review prior to any monies being expended from the Remediation Subaccount of the Attorney General's (AG) Consumer Protection and Restitution Revolving Fund. The Committee favorably reviewed the Attorney General's expenditure plans to spend \$400,000 for election-related litigation and election statutory defense expenses and \$200,000 for the purposes of increasing public knowledge of the Civil Division and increasing their operating funding.

### Consent Agenda

**Arizona Department of Administration/Automation Projects Fund – Review of Concealed Weapons Tracking System** – A.R.S. § 41-714 requires Committee review prior to any monies being expended from the Arizona Department of Administration's (ADOA) Automation Projects Fund (APF) for the Concealed Weapons Permit Tracking System (CWPT) upgrade project in the Department of Public Safety (DPS). The Committee gave a favorable review of \$410,000 in APF expenditures for the CWPT upgrade project in FY 2021.

**Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System – Review of Health Care Investment Fund**

**Assessment** – A.R.S. § 36-2999.72 requires the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) to submit to the Committee for review the new Hospital Assessment as enacted in the last year. The Committee favorably reviewed the proposal.

**Arizona Department of Child Safety – Review of FY 2020 Quarterly Benchmarks** – An FY 2020 General Appropriation Act footnote requires the Department of Child Safety (DCS) to submit to the Committee for review a quarterly report on benchmarks for assessing progress made in increasing DCS' number of FTE Positions, meeting caseload standards for caseworkers, reducing the number of backlog cases and open reports, and reducing the number of children in out-of-home care. The Committee gave a favorable review of the DCS' FY 2020 third quarter benchmark report.

**Arizona Department of Public Safety – Review of the Expenditure Plan for the Gang and Immigration Intelligence Team Enforcement Mission (GIITEM) Border Security and Law Enforcement Subaccount** – A.R.S. § 41-1724G and A.R.S. § 41-1724H require DPS to submit to the Committee for review the entire FY 2021 expenditure plan for the Gang and Immigration Intelligence Team Enforcement Mission (GIITEM) Border Security and Law Enforcement Subaccount prior to expenditure. The Committee gave a favorable review to the expenditure plan of \$1,050,000 of the \$2,411,600 FY 2021 appropriation for Border Security and Law Enforcement Grants as proposed by DPS. The favorable review included a reporting provision.

**Arizona Department of Education – Review of K-12 Broadband Connectivity Projects** – A.R.S. § 15-249.07 requires the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) to submit for Committee review its annual report on K-12 broadband connectivity construction projects. The Committee gave a favorable review of the report. The favorable review included a reporting provision

**Arizona Department of Education – Review of AzM2 Contracts** – A.R.S. § 15-741.03 requires ADE to submit for Committee review its contract renewal for the statewide assessment. The Committee gave a favorable review of the

proposed new contract for the AzM2 exam. The favorable review included a reporting provision.