



29th Alaska State Legislature

House Finance Budget Subcommittee

Department of Law

FY 17 Operating Budget

DEPARTMENT OF LAW
FY2017 HOUSE FINANCE BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE NARRATIVE
REPORT
February 23, 2016

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Law submits a recommended operating budget for FY2017 to the House Finance Committee as follows:

Fund Source: (dollars are in thousands)

Unrestricted General Funds (UGF)	\$49,876.8
Designated General Funds (DGF)	3,520.7
Other Funds	48,115.6
Federal Funds	1,020.1
Total	\$102,533.2

The total difference from FY16 Management Plan to the House Subcommittee budget recommendation is an increase of \$15,206.2, which is a 17.4 percent change.

Positions:

Permanent Full-time	544
Permanent Part-time	1
Temporary	0
Total	545

BUDGET ACTION:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Law held **2** meetings with the department. The subcommittee reviewed the FY2017 Governor's amended budget request.

Budget action highlights include:

- (\$803.2) UGF reduction to Criminal, Civil and Administrative Services for mandatory furloughs and savings as a result of attrition – cuts 4 PFTs – subcommittee required distribution of the unallocated by component;
- (\$340.0) UGF reduction to Criminal Division – cuts 2 PFTs by anticipated attrition (closing the Dillingham office) – subcommittee rejected the Governor's amendment to add back these funds;
- Refused \$318.7 UGF increment to add funds to the Office of Special Prosecutions and fill 5 vacant positions;
- Accepted Governor's \$2.5 million UGF for outside counsel for specialized expertise in Oil, Gas and Mining issues - (\$500.0) UGF reduction from FY16;
- Accepted \$17.5 million I/A receipts for Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Project outside counsel – funding from the Departments of Natural Resources and Revenue;
- \$875.0 DGF increase - \$600.0 DGF RCA (fund source change), \$225.0 DGF AOGCC and \$50.0 DGF Tobacco Cessation

ATTACHED REPORTS:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Law adopts the attached reports:

2016 Legislative Finance Division Reports – FY17 House Structure

- A. Multi-year Agency Totals – FY2017 Operating Budget
- B. Multi-year Allocation Summary (All Funds)
- C. Multi-year Allocation Summary (UGF Only)
- D. Transaction Compare between Adjusted Base (17Adj Base) and House Subcommittee (H Sub)
- E. Transaction Compare between Governor Amended (FY17 Gov Amd) and House Subcommittee (H Sub)
- F. Wordage Report – FY2017 Operating

The Budget Action Worksheet is attached for informational purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Dan Saddler, Chair
House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Law