Office of Consumer Counsel DCC38100

Position Summary

| Account | Actual | Governor Estimated | Governor Re | ecommended | Legislative | | |
|--------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------|--|
| | FY 14 | (14 FY 15 | FY 16 | FY 17 | FY 16 | FY 17 | |
| Permanent Full-Time - PF | 13 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 15 | |

Budget Summary

| Account | Actual | Governor Estimated | Governor Re | commended | Legislat | ive |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | FY 14 | FY 15 | FY 16 | FY 17 | FY 16 | FY 17 |
| Personal Services | 1,062,308 | 1,353,521 | 1,422,103 | 1,433,306 | 1,497,103 | 1,508,306 |
| Other Expenses | 357,750 | 282,907 | 282,907 | 282,907 | 552,907 | 452,907 |
| Equipment | 0 | 2,200 | 12,200 | 2,200 | 12,200 | 2,200 |
| Other Current Expenses | · | | | · | | |
| Fringe Benefits | 836,140 | 1,162,909 | 1,208,788 | 1,218,310 | 1,271,038 | 1,280,560 |
| Indirect Overhead | 69,625 | 100 | 97,613 | 97,613 | 97,613 | 97,613 |
| Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals | 16,621 | 32,468 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Agency Total - Consumer Counsel and | | | | | | |
| Public Utility Control Fund | 2,342,443 | 2,834,105 | 3,023,611 | 3,034,336 | 3,430,861 | 3,341,586 |

| | Legislative | | | | Difference from Governor Recommended | | | | |
|---------|-------------|--------|------|--------|--------------------------------------|--------|------|--------|--|
| Account | | FY 16 | | FY 17 | | FY 16 | | FY 17 | |
| | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | |

Current Services

Adjust Funding to Reflect Wage & Compensation Related Costs

| Personal Services | 0 | 68,582 | 0 | 79,785 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|---|---|--------|---|--------|---|---|---|---|
| Total - Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund | 0 | 68,582 | 0 | 79,785 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Governor

Provide funding of \$68,582 in FY 16 and \$79,785 in FY 17 to reflect current services wage-related adjustments such as annual increments, general wage increases, overtime, annualization, turnover, and other compensation-related adjustments.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Apply Inflationary Increases

| Other Expenses | 0 | 6,528 | 0 | 14,863 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|---|---|-------|---|--------|---|---|---|---|
| Total - Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund | 0 | 6,528 | 0 | 14,863 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Background

Applying inflationary factors to current year expenditures provides an estimate of the cost of continuing services into the next year.

Governor

Increase funding for the other expenses account by \$6,528 in FY 16 and an additional \$8,335 in FY 17 (for a cumulative total of \$14,863 in the second year) to reflect inflationary increases.

Legislative

Same as Governor

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| | Legislative | | | | Difference from Governor Recommended | | | |
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| Account | | FY 16 | | FY 17 | | FY 16 | FY 17 | |
| | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount |

Provide Funding for Replacement Equipment

| Equipment | 0 | 10,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|---|---|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total - Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund | 0 | 10,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Governor

Provide \$10,000 in FY 16 for replacement equipment in this agency.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Adjust Fringe Benefits and Indirect Overhead

| Fringe Benefits | 0 | 45,879 | 0 | 55,401 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|---|---|---------|---|---------|---|---|---|---|
| Indirect Overhead | 0 | 97,513 | 0 | 97,513 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total - Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund | 0 | 143,392 | 0 | 152,914 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Background

Non-General Fund agencies are budgeted directly for employee fringe benefits and indirect overhead.

Governor

Provide funding of \$143,392 in FY 16 and \$152,914 in FY 17 to ensure sufficient funds for fringe benefits and indirect overhead.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Policy Revisions

Eliminate Inflationary Increases

| Other Expenses | 0 | (6,528) | 0 | (14,863) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|------------------------------|---|---------|---|----------|---|---|---|---|
| Total - Consumer Counsel and | 0 | (6,528) | 0 | (14,863) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Public Utility Control Fund | | | | | | | | |

Governor

Reduce the Other Expenses account by \$6,528 in FY 16 and \$14,863 in FY 17 to reflect the elimination of inflationary increases.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Consolidate Funding for GAAP

| Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals | 0 | (32,468) | 0 | (32,468) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|---|---|----------|---|----------|---|---|---|---|
| Total - Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund | 0 | (32,468) | 0 | (32,468) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Governor

Reduce funding by \$32,468 in both FY 16 and FY 17 to reflect the consolidation of GAAP funding within the Office of the State Comptroller - Miscellaneous Accounts.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Establish the Office of State Broadband

| Personal Services | 1 | 75,000 | 1 | 75,000 | 1 | 75,000 | 1 | 75,000 |
|---|---|---------|---|---------|---|---------|---|---------|
| Other Expenses | 0 | 270,000 | 0 | 170,000 | 0 | 270,000 | 0 | 170,000 |
| Fringe Benefits | 0 | 62,250 | 0 | 62,250 | 0 | 62,250 | 0 | 62,250 |
| Total - Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund | 1 | 407,250 | 1 | 307,250 | 1 | 407,250 | 1 | 307,250 |

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| | Legislative | | | | Difference from Governor Recommended | | | |
|---------|-------------|--------|-------|--------|--------------------------------------|--------|------|--------|
| Account | FY 16 | | FY 17 | | | FY 16 | | FY 17 |
| | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount |

Background

The Office of State Broadband is required to facilitate the availability of broadband access and the adoption of ultra-high-speed gigabit capable broadband networks.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$407,250 in FY 16 and \$307,250 in FY 17 to establish the Office of State Broadband. Of this total:

- 1) \$75,000 in FY 16 and FY 17 is for one Broadband Policy Coordinator;
- 2) \$62,250 in FY 16 and FY 17 is for the new employee's fringe benefits;
- 3) \$270,000 in FY 16 and \$170,000 in FY 17 is for Other Expenses. In FY 16, \$250,000 in Other Expenses is for consultant services and \$20,000 is for office supplies. In FY 17, \$150,000 in Other Expenses is for consultant services and \$20,000 is for office supplies.

Totals

| Budget Components | | Legislative | | | | Difference from Governor Recommended | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-------------|-------|-----------|-------|--------------------------------------|-------|---------|--|
| | FY 16 | | FY 17 | | FY 16 | | FY 17 | | |
| | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | Pos. | Amount | |
| Governor Estimated - PF | 14 | 2,834,105 | 14 | 2,834,105 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Current Services | 0 | 228,502 | 0 | 247,562 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Policy Revisions | 1 | 368,254 | 1 | 259,919 | 1 | 407,250 | 1 | 307,250 | |
| Total Recommended - PF | 15 | 3,430,861 | 15 | 3,341,586 | 1 | 407,250 | 1 | 307,250 | |

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