

Greenbook
LSC Analysis of Enacted Budget

Joint Committee on
Agency Rule Review

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Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review

- 100% GRF funded
- Budget of \$496,885 each fiscal year

OVERVIEW

Agency Overview

Created in 1977, the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) is responsible for the oversight of proposed new, amended, and rescinded rules from certain state agencies, boards, and commissions. Rule-making state agencies are required to fully review and submit to JCARR each of their rules at least once every five years. As part of that process, they are required to review each of their rules and determine whether to continue them without change, amend them, or rescind them.

JCARR is a ten-member joint legislative committee. The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate each appoint five members from their respective chambers to serve on the joint committee, with not more than three being from the same political party. In odd-numbered years, the chairperson is a House member of the joint committee appointed by the Speaker of the House; in even-numbered years, the chairperson is a Senate member of the joint committee appointed by the President of the Senate. JCARR meets and holds public hearings not less than once every three weeks throughout the year. The committee is supported by a staff of four full-time employees. Under H.B. 49, the Legislative Service Commission will continue to act as JCARR's fiscal agent.

Appropriation Overview

JCARR's entire budget is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund (GRF). The agency's annual budget of \$496,885 in FY 2018 and FY 2019 represents an increase of 21.8% from actual expenditures in FY 2017.

Agency Appropriations by Fund Group, FY 2018-FY 2019 (Am. Sub. H.B. 49)					
Fund Group	FY 2017*	FY 2018	% change, FY 2017-FY 2018	FY 2019	% change, FY 2018-FY 2019
General Revenue	\$408,043	\$496,885	21.8%	\$496,885	0.0%
TOTAL	\$408,043	\$496,885	21.8%	\$496,885	0.0%

*FY 2017 figures represent actual expenditures.

ANALYSIS OF ENACTED BUDGET

JCARR's operations are funded by a single line item that draws its appropriation from the GRF. The table below shows the appropriated funding for this line item.

Appropriations for JCARR				
Fund	ALI and Name		FY 2018	FY 2019
General Revenue Fund				
GRF	029321	Operating Expenses	\$496,885	\$496,885

JCARR uses GRF line item 029321, Operating Expenses, to pay all of its operating expenses. The budget funds this line item at \$496,885 each fiscal year, amounts that are 21.8% more than FY 2017 actual expenditures. The budget contains a temporary law provision that allows the Executive Director of JCARR to certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to item 029321's unexpended, unencumbered appropriation balance in FY 2017 to be reappropriated to FY 2018, and similarly, from FY 2018 to FY 2019.

The budget also prohibits an agency whose rule has been invalidated by a concurrent resolution from reintroducing that rule or any version of it during the term of the General Assembly in which the concurrent resolution invalidating the rule was adopted. However, it also provides that the General Assembly may adopt a concurrent resolution to authorize an agency to institute or continue rule-making proceedings for an invalidated rule or version of that rule, but the agency may not adopt any version of the rule until the rule has been submitted to JCARR and the time for legislative review of the rule has expired.

Finally, the budget also authorizes all agencies of the legislative branch of state government, including JCARR, to make purchases, leases, and repairs for the agencies' office spaces absent Department of Administrative Services (DAS) oversight, though DAS must review proposed improvements to the agencies' office space to ensure they do not adversely impact the structural integrity of the building. Nevertheless, the budget permits legislative agencies to contract with DAS for services related to legislative office space.

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FY 2018 - FY 2019 Final Appropriation Amounts

All Fund Groups

Line Item Detail by Agency

			Appropriation	FY 2017 to FY 2018	Appropriation	FY 2018 to FY 2019		
			FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019		
					% Change	% Change		
Report For Main Operating Appropriations Bill			Version: As Enacted					
JCR Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review								
GRF	029321	Operating Expenses	\$ 413,993	\$ 408,043	\$ 496,885	21.77%	\$ 496,885	0.00%
General Revenue Fund Total			\$ 413,993	\$ 408,043	\$ 496,885	21.77%	\$ 496,885	0.00%
Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review Total			\$ 413,993	\$ 408,043	\$ 496,885	21.77%	\$ 496,885	0.00%