

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 721

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHRODER

BUDGETARY CONTROLS: Provides relative to the allocation of expenditures of the state operating budget

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 39:57.1(B) and to enact R.S. 39:57.1(C), relative to state
3 expenditures; to provide for initial expenditure allocations of the operating budget;
4 to provide for approval of changes to initial expenditure allocations; to provide for
5 an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 39:57.1(B) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 39:57.1(C) is
8 hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §57.1. Allocation of expenditures; notice and approval of changes

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11 B. Additionally, the commissioner ~~may~~ shall review and approve the initial
12 allocation of expenditures by category for each appropriation for a fiscal year.

13 C. The Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget shall be provided prior
14 written notification, including detailed justification, of any planned changes or
15 transfer of funds from one category of expenditure to another category. The initial
16 allocation of expenditures shall not be changed nor shall any funding be transferred
17 between expenditure categories without prior approval of the committee.

18 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2016; if vetoed by the governor
19 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,
20 2016, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

DIGEST

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HB 721 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides for initial allocation of the state operating budget by expenditure category and requires approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget for change of the initial allocation.

Present law requires the commissioner of administration to notify each budget unit of the amount of appropriations contained in the General Appropriation Act and permits the commissioner to review and approve the initial allocation of expenditures for a fiscal year.

Proposed law changes the review and approval of the commissioner of administration of the initial allocation of expenditures by category from a permissive review and approval to a mandatory review and approval.

Proposed law further requires prior approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget to change the initial allocation of expenditures or transfer funds between categories.

Effective July 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 39:57.1(B); Adds R.S. 39:57.1(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Clarify that a change in the initial allocation of expenditures requires prior approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.