



# MONTANA LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

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DATE: March 6, 2014  
 TO: Legislative Finance Committee  
 FROM: Kris Wilkinson, Senior Fiscal Analyst  
 RE: Budget Amendments

### BUDGET AMENDMENT ACTIVITY

As of March 6, 2014 the Legislative Finance Division received notification of 21 budget amendments certified by the Governor since the December 2013 Legislative Finance Committee meeting. These amendments increase total funds by \$4.9 million in FY 2014 and \$.7 million in FY 2015. An additional 3.04 FTE in FY 2014, and 3.35 FTE in FY 2015 have also been added. Three amendments transfer existing authority between expenditure categories or between organizational units and one extends previously approved amendment authority.

The figure below summarizes the budget amendments certified by the Governor from the period December 5, 2013 through March 6, 2014.

Each amendment, along with a brief explanation, is summarized in the attached table. Staff has reviewed the amendments and has raised no concerns with any amendment meeting statutory criteria.

The following figure summarize the budget amendments that have been certified for the 2015 biennium. The various approving authorities have added a total of \$5.7 million in the 2015 biennium.

Budget Amendment Summary (since last LFC meeting)		
Component	FY 2014	FY 2015
Number of Amendments	21	21
FTE Added	3.04	3.35
State Special	\$37,613	\$37,300
Federal Revenue	4,934,074	717,055
Proprietary	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$4,971,687</u>	<u>\$754,355</u>

Budget Amendment Cumulative Summary 2015 Biennium				
LFC Meeting	Number of			Biennium
2015 Biennium	Amendments	FY 2014	FY 2015	Total
September 26, 2013	44	\$16,676,345	\$3,332,778	\$20,009,123
December 9, 2013	61	17,202,838	2,836,387	20,039,225
March 6, 2014	<u>21</u>	<u>4,971,687</u>	<u>754,355</u>	<u>5,726,042</u>
Total	<u>126</u>	<u>\$38,850,870</u>	<u>\$6,923,520</u>	<u>\$45,774,390</u>

## Detailed Budget Amendment Report

LFC Meeting:	March 2014	Amount FY13	Amount FY14	Amount FY15	FTE FY13	FTE FY14	FTE FY15	
<b>BA #:</b>	WC014	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Consumer Council						
	<b>Funding</b> State Special	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Scot Conrady						
<b>Purpose:</b>	This BA returns \$313 dollars back to initial fund source from reduction in workers compensation insurance costs		313					
<b>BA #:</b>	129.01	<b>Agency/Program:</b> DNRC / Conservation						
	<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Roger Lloyd						
<b>Purpose:</b>	BCD requests to close Appropriation and Org Budgets for Program 23, Conservation and Resource Development Division (CARDD). All loans have been forgiven on the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Safe Clean Water (WW) projects and no further appropriation is needed for FY10. Since the funding is valid until the year 2030, DNRC is requesting to bring the approp and org budgets to be zeroed out.		0	-249,040	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b>	123.03	<b>Agency/Program:</b> DNRC / Conservation						
	<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Roger Lloyd						
<b>Purpose:</b>	BCD requests to close Appropriation and Org Budgets for Program 23, Conservation and Resource Development Division (CARDD). All loans have been forgiven on the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Safe Drinking Water (DW) projects and no further appropriation is needed for FY10. Since the funding is valid until the year 2030, DNRC is requesting to bring the approp and org budgets to be zeroed out.		0	-28,100	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b>	405.01	<b>Agency/Program:</b> DNRC / Forestry						
	<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Roger Lloyd						
<b>Purpose:</b>	Requests to change subclass name from "USDA WBBFH 9/30/17" to "FY14 FOREST HEALTH 9/30/17" per Program 35's request to better track activity related to the annual Forest Health program. No other changes.		0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b>	232	<b>Agency/Program:</b> DPHHS - Disability Employment & Transitions						
	<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Cynthia Hollimon						
<b>Purpose:</b>	To create authority for use of a new federal grant, "Promoting the Readiness of Minors in Supplemental Security Income" (PROMISE) to empower youth ages 14-16 with mild to severe disabilities who receive Supplemental Security Income to succeed in school and prepare for employment.		0	377,310	475,849	0.00	1.12	2.00
<b>BA #:</b>	247	<b>Agency/Program:</b> DPHHS - Senior / Long Term Care						
	<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b>						
<b>Purpose:</b>	The additional funding will be used to provide training to State Health Insurance (SHIP) counselors and increase community outreach in order to increase enrollment in the Medicare Low Income Subsidy (LIS) and Medicare Savings Program (MSP). Each Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is assigned a goal number of (LIS) and (MSP) applications to complete during the contract term. The combined goal for all AAAs is 3,000 applications (either LIS or MSP). Each SHIP counselor enters the data for client contacts and services provided into the IRis or NPR data collection programs. Completion of the goal will be determined by the SHIP director by running a query in the programs listed above to find the total number of applications completed.		116,098					
<b>BA #:</b>	301.09	<b>Agency/Program:</b> FWP / Fisheries						
	<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Roger Lloyd						
<b>Purpose:</b>	Add .25 FTE for FY14 per program needs for Mainstem Amendments Research project (BPA). Move funds from 62000 to 61000 to cover cost. No additional revenue.		0	0	0	0.00	0.25	0.00

				Amount FY13	Amount FY14	Amount FY15	FTE FY13	FTE FY14	FTE FY15
<b>BA #:</b> 525	<b>Agency/Program:</b> FWP / Wildlife								
<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Roger Lloyd							
<b>Purpose:</b>	Budget Amendment for funds received from the US Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) for a Bighorn Sheep Study.			0	255,967	226,906	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b> 523	<b>Agency/Program:</b> FWP / Wildlife								
<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Roger Lloyd							
<b>Purpose:</b>	Requesting additional funds received from the USFWS, State Wildlife Grant (SWG) for the Montana Terrestrial, Riparian and Wetlands SWG Conservation Program.			0	273,000	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b> 524	<b>Agency/Program:</b> FWP / Wildlife								
<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Roger Lloyd							
<b>Purpose:</b>	Budget amendment for funds received from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for grizzly bear conservation.			0	40,000	10,000	0.00	0.32	0.10
<b>BA #:</b> 409	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Justice - Division of Criminal Investigation								
<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Greg DeWitt							
<b>Purpose:</b>	Increase budget authority to purchase a replacement vehicle for division staff to support state and local law enforcement. The funding associated with this request is from federal special forfeitures.			0	17,500	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b> 413	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Justice - Division of Criminal Investigation								
<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Greg DeWitt							
<b>Purpose:</b>	Increase authority to fund overtime costs for investigators assigned to the Tactical Division Squad Task Force. Funding is from the US Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration			0	12,902	4,300	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b> 414	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Justice - Division of Criminal Investigation								
<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Greg DeWitt							
<b>Purpose:</b>	Increased funding to purchase evidence (drugs), pay informants, and purchase undercover vehicles in the Bakken area. Funding is from federal forfeiture funds.			0	100,000	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b> 402	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Justice - Division of Criminal Investigation								
<b>Funding</b> State Special	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Greg DeWitt							
<b>Purpose:</b>	Increase spending authority to expend revenue generated from fees collected for dissemination of criminal history record information. The increased funding will be used to support a position to process criminal history information requests.			0	37,300	37,300	0.00	1.00	1.00
<b>BA #:</b> 206.01	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Justice - Legal Services Division								
<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Greg DeWitt							
<b>Purpose:</b>	This is an extension and operating plan change for previously approved budget amendment authority to expand the statewide automated victim information and notification system. The budget amendment moves \$66,588.78 from the transfers category to operating expenses. The funding is from a grant that ends 9/30/2014.			0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>BA #:</b> 206.02	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Justice - Legal Services Division								
<b>Funding</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Analyst:</b> Greg DeWitt							
<b>Purpose:</b>	This is an operating plan change to an existing budget amendment from a federal Department of Justice grant to expand the statewide automated victim information and notification system. This change moves \$21,000 from operating expenses to personal services to fund modified FTE for the project.			0	0	0	0.00	0.35	0.25

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				Amount FY13	Amount FY14	Amount FY15	FTE FY13	FTE FY14	FTE FY15	
<b>BA #:</b> 544	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Military Affairs - Army National Guard	<b>Funding:</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Kris Wilkinson							
<b>Purpose:</b> Increase federal authority by \$8.019 million for additional federal funds supporting the unexploded ordinance programs.					8,019,261	0	0.00	0.00		
<b>BA #:</b> 735.01	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Military Affairs - DES	<b>Funding:</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Kris Wilkinson							
<b>Purpose:</b> Decrease federal authority provided through a budget amendment because the legislature appropriated the funds in HB 2.					-570,033	0	0.00	0.00		
<b>BA #:</b> 734.01	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Military Affairs - DES	<b>Funding:</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Kris Wilkinson							
<b>Purpose:</b> Decrease federal appropriation authority included in a previous budget amendment that was included by the legislature in HB 2.					-3,344,872	0	0.00	0.00		
<b>BA #:</b> 736.1	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Military Affairs - DES	<b>Funding:</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Kris Wilkinson							
<b>Purpose:</b> Decrease federal appropriation authority provided through budget amendment because the legislature provided authority in HB 2					-85,919	0	0.00	0.00		
<b>BA #:</b> 66.06	<b>Agency/Program:</b> Transportation - Construction	<b>Funding:</b> Federal	<b>Concerns:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Analyst:</b> Cathy Duncan							
<b>Purpose:</b> This budget amendment is an operating plan change to a previously approved budget amendment. The amendment transfers \$743.15 of federal fund appropriation authority from the operating budget to the personal services budget and does not add new appropriation authority.					0	0	0.00	0.00		
Summary for 'LFC Meeting' = Mar 2014 (21 detail records)				<b>Grand Total:</b>	\$0	\$4,971,687	\$754,355	0.00	3.04	3.35