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DATE: May 18, 2017
 TO: Legislative Finance Committee
 FROM: Kris Wilkinson, Lead Fiscal Analyst
 RE: Budget Amendments

BUDGET AMENDMENT ACTIVITY

As of April 30, 2017 the Legislative Finance Division received notification of 25 budget amendments certified by the Governor since the December 2016 Legislative Finance Committee meeting.

These amendments increase total funds \$4,496 in FY 2016 and \$13.1 million in FY 2017. An additional 0.30 FTE in FY 2016, and 14.40 FTE in FY 2017 in modified positions have also been added. Four amendments transfer existing authority between expenditure categories or between organizational units and two extend previously approved amendment authority. The figure summarizes the budget amendments certified by the Governor from the period December 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017.

Budget Amendment Summary (since last LFC meeting)		
Component	FY 2016	FY 2017
Number of Amendments	1	25
FTE Added	0.30	41.52
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0
Federal Revenue	4,496	13,098,689
Proprietary Fund	0	0
Total Revenue	\$4,496	\$13,098,689

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 figures summarizes the budget amendments that were certified for the 2017 biennium. The various approving authorities have added a total of \$134.4 million in the 2017 biennium.

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Budget Amendment Cumulative Summary 2017 Biennium				
LFC Meeting	Number of	Cumulative		
2017 Biennium	Amendments	FY 2016	FY 2017	Total
September 24, 2015	43	\$15,053,512	\$189,721	\$15,243,233
December 1, 2015	49	16,329,726	1,849,475	18,179,201
February 29, 2016	40	16,707,391	1,065,320	17,772,711
May 31, 2016	36	5,724,633	0	5,724,633
August 31, 2016	62	3,738,475	11,250,102	14,988,577
November 30, 2016	113	0	49,409,650	49,409,650
April 30, 2016	25	4,496	13,098,689	13,103,185
Total	368	\$57,558,233	\$76,862,957	\$134,421,190

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Detailed Budget Amendment Report

LFC Meeting: May 2017				Amount FY16	Amount FY17	FTE FY16	FTE FY17
BA #: 201	Agency/Program: Commerce - Community Development Division	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Katie Guenther				
Purpose: The Department of Commerce established federal authority for grants to local governments and nonprofit organizations to preserve or construct housing infrastructure. Funding for personal services increased by \$218,857, operating expenses increased by \$81,143, and grants increased by \$2,700,000 in FY 2017.					3,000,000		1.00
BA #: 066.09	Agency/Program: Commerce - Office of Tourism and Business Development	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Katie Guenther				
Purpose: The Department of Commerce reduced federal appropriations for the State Trade and Export Promotion (STEP) program because grants awards were not fully expended.					-93,971		
BA #: 569.01	Agency/Program: DEQ / Central Management	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Add FTE for database project				0	0	0.30	0.17
BA #: 766	Agency/Program: DEQ Air, Energy, and Mining	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Establish authority for Department of Energy Ward for Energy Efficiency Leadership Challenge for K-12 schools					75,000		0.00
BA #: 473.01	Agency/Program: DNRC / Forestry	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Extend a USDA Forest Service Grant to June 2017					0		0.00
BA #: 263.02	Agency/Program: DNRC / Forestry	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Extend the end date through 2018					0		0.00
BA #: 669	Agency/Program: DNRC / Water	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Establish authority for United States Geological Survey funding to measure and estimate public water supply use in Montana					40,522		0.00
BA #: 756.01	Agency/Program: FWP / Capital	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Correct a clerical mistake on which fund stated in the budget amendment					0		0.00
BA #: 742.02	Agency/Program: FWP / Capital	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Reduce authority due to incorrect entry					-36,000		0.00

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BA #: 756	Agency/Program: FWP / Capital	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Establish authority for United States Fish and Wildlife Service Habitat Conservation Program fund to purchase a conservation easement					2,000,000		0.00
BA #: 574.03	Agency/Program: FWP / Wildlife	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Reduce FTE in FY18 and FY19 for the Elkhorn Project and move authority between first level accounts.					0		0.00
BA #: 567	Agency/Program: FWP / Wildlife	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Establish authority for Bonneville Power Administration for Kootenai River ecosystem project					222,851		0.68
BA #: 524.03	Agency/Program: FWP / Wildlife	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Stephen Forrest				
Purpose: Add authority for funds received from Bureau of Land Management for Grizzly Bear conservation					50,000		0.43
BA #: 011.03	Agency/Program: Governor's Office - Executive Office	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Katie Guenther				
Purpose: This budget amendment reverts unused authority in the Governor's Office to match the balance available to be spent.					-36,784		
BA #: 259	Agency/Program: Labor & Industry - Unemployment Insurance	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Katie Guenther				
Purpose: The Department of Labor and Industry established federal authority for implementing a new document creation solution as well as providing the ability to access unemployment insurance correspondence electronically. Funding for personal services increased by \$51,240 and operating expenses increased by \$448,760.					500,000		
BA #: 005	Agency/Program: Labor & Industry - Workforce Services Division	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Katie Guenther				
Purpose: The Department of Labor and Industry established federal authority for the Apprenticeship Expansion grant. These funds will be used for outreach to other industries and business in Montana. Funding for personal services increased by \$504,090, operating expenses increased by \$535,910, and grants increased by \$260,000.					1,300,000		3.35
BA #: 006	Agency/Program: Labor & Industry - Workforce Services Division	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst:				
Purpose: The Department of Labor and Industry established federal authority for the Dislocated Worker IT grant. These funds will be used to expand and enhance the WorkForce Connect portal to increase the integration and interconnectivity for intake, registration and customer management requirements. Funding for personal services increased by \$263,296 and operating expenses increased by \$818,505 in FY 2017.					1,081,801		3.00
BA #: 165 BA0	Agency/Program: MBCC	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Scot Conrady				
Purpose: Authority for project to provide training to end abuse of women who are 50 years or older.					384,598		0.50

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BA #: 130	Agency/Program: Montana Historical Society - Research Center	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Rob Miller				
Purpose: This budget amendment increases federal authority for the State and National Archival Partnership grant award for the reasearch program. The funding supports meetings of the Montana State and National Archival Partnership Board, scholarships to professionals or volunteers for participation in workshops and training events, one-day workshops and training, publication of a biannual newsletter, distribution of an archives month poster, and support of the traveling student archivist program.					17,245		
BA #: 100.01	Agency/Program: Montana Historical Society - Research Center	Funding: Proprietary	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Rob Miller				
Purpose: BCD request for additional authority for enterprise fund 06076 within the research center of The Montana Historical Society. Proprietary revnue is higher due to digital sales and are projected to continue to rise.					5,000		
BA #: 506.07	Agency/Program: OPI/State Level Activites	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Rob Miller				
Purpose: Increase federal appropriation authority for department of education preschool develomental grant. The grant is used to develop preschoo programs in 16 high needs communities.					4,546,439		5.25
BA #: 610.03	Agency/Program: State Library - Operations	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Rob Miller				
Purpose: This BA transfers \$2,600 from operations to personal services to close out final expenditures on a federal grant.					0		0.02
BA #: 74.01	Agency/Program: Transportation - Aeronautics	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Cathy Duncan				
Purpose: This budget amendment (BA) adjusts the athority of an existing BA from operating expenses to personal services. The original BA established federal grant appropriation authority for the terminal at the West Yellowstone airport.				0	0	0.00	0.00
BA #: 10.01	Agency/Program: Transportation - Construction	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Cathy Duncan				
Purpose: This budget amendment (BA) adjusts the athority of an existing BA from operating expenses to personal services. The original BA established federal grant authority for the Montana Statewide Traffic Signal System Evaluation Project.				0	0	0.00	0.00
BA #: 218	Agency/Program: University System	Funding: Federal	Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst: Shauna Albrecht				
Purpose: Received federal subgrant funding from WICHE through the US Dept of Education				4,496	41,988		
Summary for 'LFC Meeting' = May 2017 (25 detail records)				Grand Total:	\$4,496	\$13,098,689	0.30 14.40