Representative Rayfield

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2377 Program Change

HB 2377 makes the necessary changes in statutes and session laws to support the 2019-21 legislatively adopted budget, to clarify the application of statutes for the budget, and to modify provisions relating to the use of funds. This non-appropriation bill is necessary to achieve a balanced budget for the 2019-21 biennium. Specifically, the measure:

- Repeals the sunset on a portion of marijuana tax revenues to allow for the continued use of funds for mental health treatment or for alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment;
- Repeals a statutory reference to Low Income Rental Fund;
- Allows the Cultural Trust to continue to use cultural license plate registration fees for marketing and promotional costs;
- Repeals the Legal Aid Account;
- Provides for a salary increase for statutory judgeships and establishes two new statutory judgeships in Marion and Jackson counties;
- Repeals statute related to the connection of legislator salaries to circuit court judges, makes technical clarification of legislator's interim expense allowances, and modifies the Central Government Service Charge;
- Establishes the University Innovation Research Fund;
- Adds a reporting requirement for any interim change to the legal services rate and adds a reporting requirement on legal settlements;
- Transfers moneys between funds to support elderly and disabled transit services; and

• Transfers \$160.2 million of various fund balances to the General Fund for general governmental purposes.

The bill has an emergency clause and is effective on passage.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 2377 be amended by the –A6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.