

# Senate Joint Resolution 17

Sponsored by Senator THATCHER (Presession filed.)

## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Urges Governor and executive branch state agencies to make certain mandated reductions to programs and services in a manner that causes the least harm and inconvenience to persons the agencies serve.

## JOINT RESOLUTION

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2       Whereas the Legislative Assembly has declared by law that the legislatively adopted or ap-  
3 proved budget for a state agency constitutes a determination by the Legislative Assembly of the  
4 amount needed by the agency for the biennium to meet the responsibilities imposed on the agency  
5 through the budget and through statutes governing the agency; and

6       Whereas the Legislative Assembly by law has also provided incentives for state agencies to  
7 spend only the moneys that the agencies need to meet the responsibilities imposed on the agencies  
8 through the budget and through statutes governing the agencies; and

9       Whereas the Legislative Assembly has directed the Governor, when reducing allotments to state  
10 agencies, to follow legislative funding priorities as expressed in statutes and the legislatively  
11 adopted or approved budget; now, therefore,

12 **Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

13       That we, the members of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly, urge the Governor and executive  
14 branch state agencies, when directed by the Legislative Assembly to make unspecified reductions in  
15 state agency budgets or when responding to allotment reductions directed by the Governor because  
16 there is a projected deficit in the biennium, to make reductions to programs and services in a  
17 manner that causes the least harm and inconvenience to the persons the agencies serve.

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.