

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 5016

Legislative Branch

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Capital Construction Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Manning

HB 5016 is the budget bill for the Legislative Branch agencies, which include the Legislative Assembly, Legislative Administration, Legislative Counsel, Legislative Fiscal, Legislative Revenue, Legislative Policy and Research, and the Commission on Indian Services.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee approved a total funds budget of \$275.8 million, including 610 positions. The recommended budget represents a slight overall decrease from the 2025-27 current service level budget. The budget includes costs related to reopening the Capitol for the 2026 legislative session, and to address workloads in Legislative Administration, Legislative Fiscal, Legislative Policy and Research Office, and the Legislative Assembly.

Budget investments for the branch are financed by shifting funds from services and supplies budgets available from anticipated 2023-25 General Fund reversions. One-time funding is provided for a third party to evaluate a staffing model for member offices, and a key performance measure related to customer service was added for the Legislative Equity Office, consistent with other statutory offices within the branch.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 5016 be amended by the –6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.