

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2019
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB337

Hearing Date: Thursday February 21, 2019
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Stinner
One Liner: Require report of federal receipts with the annual state budget report

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:
Aye: 5 Senators Brewer, Hansen, M., Hunt, Kolowski, Lowe
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting: 3 Senators Blood, Hilgers, La Grone

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:
Senator John Stinner
Sarah Curry

Representing:
Introducer
Platte Institute

Opponents:
Gerry Oligmueller

Representing:
State Budget Administrator

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 337 would require that the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) include the following information in its annual budget report on agency budget requests:

1. Aggregate value of federal receipts by agency for preceding fiscal year
2. Aggregate value of federal funds appropriated to each agency by the Legislature for the preceding fiscal year
3. Percentage of the agency's total budget comprised of federal receipts for that fiscal year
4. Description of any state match requirement for said federal funds and related documentation, number of related employment positions and other obligations on the state agency, with citation to the applicable law, regulation, or grant
5. An operating plan in the event that federal receipts are reduced by 10% to 25 percent
6. An operating plan in the event that federal receipts are reduced by 25 percent or more

The bill also defines "federal receipts" for purposes of completing the reporting duties created by the bill.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment, AM 971, narrows the scope of the mandated reporting. The amendment language excludes from the report (a) agencies with less than \$5 million in federal receipts in each of the last three years, (b) agencies whose expenditures of federal funds were less than 25 percent of agency expenditures over each of the last three years, and (c) agencies receiving federal student financial aid funds.

Tom Brewer, Chairperson