

Long-Range Financial Outlook

Legislative Budget Commission
June 18, 2008



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Legal Authority



- Constitutional amendment was adopted in November 2006 (CS/SJR 2144).
- Implementing language passed by the Legislature during the 2006 Session (Chapter 2006-119).
- Second year of formal plan. Prior documents developed by the Senate and the Office of Economic and Demographic Research were purely informational.

Legislative Budget Commission



CONSTITUTION:

No later than **September 15** of each year, the joint legislative budget commission shall issue a long-range financial outlook setting out **recommended fiscal strategies** for the state and its departments and agencies in order to assist the legislature in making budget decisions.

STATUTES:

The Commission shall develop a long-range 3-year financial outlook and shall update that outlook each year.

STATUTES:

By September 15 of each year, the commission shall complete the long-range financial outlook. The commission may subsequently provide any additions or adjustments to the outlook based on information not previously available.

Content



CONSTITUTION:

The long-range financial outlook must include **major workload and revenue estimates**. In order to implement this paragraph, the joint legislative budget commission shall use current official consensus estimates and may request the development of additional official estimates.

STATUTES:

“Long-range financial outlook” means a document issued by the Legislative Budget Commission based on a **3-year forecast** of revenues and expenditures.

Input



CONSTITUTION:

The joint legislative budget commission shall **seek input** from the public and from the executive and judicial branches when developing and recommending the long-range financial outlook.

STATUTES:

Each state agency shall provide information to the commission, based on the commission's direction, which supports the commission's development and updates of the long-range financial outlook. The commission has the authority to accept, modify, or direct the agency to modify any information received from an agency.

Budget Request



CONSTITUTION:

As prescribed by general law, each state department and agency shall be required to submit a **legislative budget request that is based upon and that reflects the long-range financial outlook** adopted by the joint legislative budget commission or that specifically explains any variance from the long-range financial outlook contained in the request.

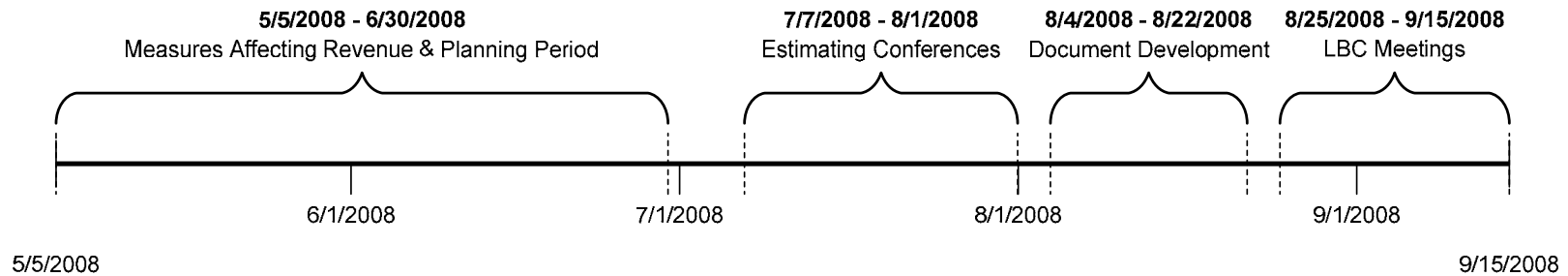
Planning



CONSTITUTION:

The **long-range state planning document** must include projections of future needs and resources of the state which are consistent with the long-range financial outlook.

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 Tentative Schedule
 Wednesday, June 18, 2008



Pre-July

End of the fiscal year data is needed, so mostly planning operations can be accomplished prior to July.

- (1) Document design and structure should be developed, and a preliminary layout should be accepted.
- (2) Baseline construction needs to be designed and accepted.
- (3) Acceptable fiscal strategies should be designed and adopted.
- (4) Over-arching (joint) methodologies need to be established for policy areas.
- (5) Parameters for staff decision-making need to be developed and explained.
- (6) Link to Legislative Budget Request needs to be developed and included in the instructions.
- (7) Staff need to be notified of proposed timeline.
- (8) Measures Affecting Revenue needs to be completed.

Estimating Conferences

Both revenue and caseload conferences are needed. Schedule will be more complex than first year.

Document Development

Analysts will need to complete narrative. EDR will need to compile documents and produce statewide materials. Leadership team will need to edit.

LBC Meetings

LBC will have to meet at least twice – (1) input and (2) adoption. Additional communication will be by email.