

SENATE BILL NO. 656

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:51(D) and 1305(C)(2)(a) and to enact R.S. 39:51(B) and (F), relative to government budgets; to provide relative to the content and form of the general appropriations, ancillary, legislative and judicial appropriation bills; to provide for the designation of reductions in any appropriation bill; to provide relative to the content and form of budgets of political subdivisions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 39:51(D) and 1305(C)(2)(a) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 39:51(B) and (F) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§51. General Appropriation Bill; other appropriation bills

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~~B. Repealed by Acts 2003, No. 1029, §1~~ **The General Appropriation Bill and the bill appropriating funds for ancillary expenses of state government shall include for each program, department and budget unit, comparative statements of the number of authorized positions and of the existing operating budget for a date certain to be established by the budget office for the current fiscal year and the appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year.**

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D. The bill appropriating funds for the expenses of the legislature and the bill appropriating funds for the expenses of the judiciary shall be submitted by the legislature and the judiciary, respectively, for introduction no later than forty-five days prior to each regular session of the legislature, except that during the first year of each term they shall be submitted no later than thirty days prior to the regular session of the legislature. **The bill appropriating funds for the expenses of the**

1 legislature and the bill appropriating funds for the expenses of the judiciary
2 shall include a comparative statement of the existing operating budget for the
3 current fiscal year and the appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year.

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5 F. Any appropriation bill in which a reduction in an appropriation is
6 authorized shall designate the reduction by placing parenthesis around the
7 amount.

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9 §1305. Budget preparation

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11 C. The budget document setting forth the proposed financial plan for the
12 general fund and each special revenue fund shall include the following:

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14 (2)(a) A statement for the general fund and each special revenue fund
15 showing the estimated fund balances at the beginning of the year; estimates of all
16 receipts and revenues to be received; revenues itemized by source; recommended
17 expenditures itemized by agency, department, function, and character; other
18 financing sources and uses by source and use; and the estimated fund balance at the
19 end of the fiscal year. Such statements shall also include a clearly presented
20 side-by-side detailed comparison of such information for the current year,
21 including the fund balances at the beginning of the year, year-to-date actual
22 receipts and revenues received and estimates of all receipts and revenues to be
23 received the remainder of the year; estimated and actual revenues itemized by
24 source; year-to-date actual expenditures and estimates of all expenditures to be
25 made the remainder of the year itemized by agency, department, function, and
26 character; other financing sources and uses by source and use, both year-to-
27 date actual and estimates for the remainder of the year; the year-to-date actual
28 and estimated fund balances as of the end of the fiscal year; and the percentage
29 change for each item of information.

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1 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2011; if vetoed by the
2 governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on
3 January 1, 2011, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____