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TO: Legislative Coordinating Council
FROM: Tom Day
DATE: June 3, 2024
RE: Legislative Leadership Budgets
Legislative Agency Directors

LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP BUDGETS

On April 24, 2024, the Governor signed Senate Bill 28, the Mega Appropriations Bill. Senate Bill 28, Section 145(g)(4), states "all legislative branch state agencies shall receive a sum equivalent to the total of 5.0%, rounded to the nearest penny, of the salaries of all benefits-eligible unclassified employees in such agency, to be distributed as a merit pool." Full-time, benefits eligible staff salaries, in the legislative leadership offices of the House and Senate, as well as Secretary of Senate and Chief Clerk of the House, are included when calculating the 5.0% merit pool. Therefore, the legislative leadership budgets should be increased by the corresponding 5.0%. Proposed legislative leadership budgets are below:

OFFICE	5.0% Proposed Increase FY 2025	FY 2024
President, Speaker	\$305,460	\$290,914
Vice President, Speaker Pro Tempore	\$ 70,655	\$ 67,290
Majority Leaders	\$191,565	\$182,443
Minority Leaders	\$217,883	\$207,508

RECOMMENDATION: Approve 5.0% increase for all legislative leadership budgets.
Individual leadership staff increases must be authorized by each leader.

LEGISLATIVE AGENCY DIRECTORS

Legislative agency directors' salaries are approved by the Legislative Coordinating Council. Increases in directors' salaries, as part of an appropriations bill passed by the Legislature and signed into law, must also be approved by the LCC. The agency directors' salaries are included in the 5.0% increase calculation that will be part of the merit pool received by each agency.

RECOMMENDATION: Since any recommendation would be self-serving on the part of the agency directors, no recommendation is being made, and left to the will and pleasure of the Legislative Coordinating Council.