



Date: April 17, 2018

Memo To: Executive Board of the Legislative Research Council

Memo From: Joint Committee on Appropriations (JCA)

Subject: Recommended Program Evaluation Topics

As per your request at the March 26th Executive Board meeting, the Joint Committee on Appropriations respectfully submits the following Program Evaluation topics for your consideration. The Program Evaluation topics were chosen as part of a subcommittee process where numerous factors were considered, including the number of legislators who could use the information produced, and the amount of general funds associated with the program. Also included at the bottom of Page 3 is a request for an issue memo that was originally considered as a potential Program Evaluation. Please contact the JCA co-chairs and/or staff if you have any questions or comments.

JCA Program Evaluation Proposed Evaluations

Topic	Comments	Fiscal Information				Lead Staff	
		FY2019 Appropriations		5-Year Total Actual Expenses FY13-FY17			
Drug/DUI Courts	Unified Judicial System Analyze the program's influence on graduation, criminal recidivism and relapse among cohorts of participants. Analyze the intervention's effect on the target population; using equivalent information available on comparable offenders outside the program, it contrasts participant outcomes while controlling for characteristics (e.g., criminal history) that may alone predict those outcomes (e.g., recidivism).					Ariel Hammerquist	
		General	3,923,400	88%	10,302,028		87%
		Federal	499,889	11%	1,408,800		12%
		Other	31,244	1%	113,046		1%
		TOTAL	4,454,533	100%	11,823,874		100%

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Public Broadcasting	<p>Bureau of Information and Telecommunications</p> <p>There is fierce competition for viewership in video content. With the advent of Youtube, Netflix and other easily accessible video content, is SDPB still relevant and serving a purpose? What is the viewership and cost to produce 1 hour of originally produced content, sporting events, national content? The State spends \$4.1M in general funds with what outcomes?</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="2">FY2019 Appropriations</th> <th colspan="2">5-Year Total Actual Expenses FY13-FY17</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>General</td> <td>4,162,190</td> <td>50%</td> <td>19,531,530</td> <td>56%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Federal</td> <td>422,484</td> <td>5%</td> <td>532,280</td> <td>2%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other</td> <td>3,804,100</td> <td>45%</td> <td>15,010,258</td> <td>43%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>8,388,774</td> <td>100%</td> <td>35,074,068</td> <td>100%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		FY2019 Appropriations		5-Year Total Actual Expenses FY13-FY17		General	4,162,190	50%	19,531,530	56%	Federal	422,484	5%	532,280	2%	Other	3,804,100	45%	15,010,258	43%	Total	8,388,774	100%	35,074,068	100%	<p>Jeff Mehlhaff</p>
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South Dakota Aging and Disability Resource Connections aka "Dakota at Home"	<p>Social Services and Human Services</p> <p>Now being branded as "Dakota at Home" this is a free information and referral service to provide objective information, assistance, and options planning to help individuals identify and access public and private services and supports in their local communities.</p> <p>SD is being investigated by the Department of Justice for inappropriately providing care to people in institutional settings rather than in less-restrictive home and community based options. Is SDADRC adequately informing clients, their families, and providers on appropriate care options?</p>	<p>A \$320,000 (50% General Funds / 50% Federal Funds) contract to refresh the program was issued in FY2017 after an RFP offering.</p> <p>Ongoing program costs for the website and call-center are minimal.</p> <p>Potential savings of an effective program could greatly affect other state resources.</p>	<p>Jason Simmons</p>																									
Proof of Concept Program	<p>Governor's Office of Economic Development</p> <p>The Proof of Concept Program was established with a US Small Business FAST grant of \$111,000, Future Funds of \$40,000, and a one-time general fund appropriation of \$500,000. These loans are high risk, unsecured loans and it is anticipated that less than 50% of them will be repaid. What has been the return to South Dakota from this program? Has the success of one award provided enough return for the program to be successful? \$1.5M dollars has been awarded across 79 projects over 6 years, with \$97,446 having been repaid.</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="2">FY2019 Appropriations</th> <th colspan="2">5-Year Total Actual Expenses FY13-FY17</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>General</td> <td>250,000</td> <td>33%</td> <td>250,000</td> <td>26%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Federal</td> <td>0</td> <td>0%</td> <td>111,000</td> <td>11%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other</td> <td>500,000</td> <td>67%</td> <td>608,446</td> <td>63%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>750,000</td> <td>100%</td> <td>969,446</td> <td>100%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Note: \$500,000 listed as other funds is a one-time general fund appropriation.</p>		FY2019 Appropriations		5-Year Total Actual Expenses FY13-FY17		General	250,000	33%	250,000	26%	Federal	0	0%	111,000	11%	Other	500,000	67%	608,446	63%	Total	750,000	100%	969,446	100%	<p>Jeff Mehlhaff</p>
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Research Pool	Board of Regents					Jeff Mehlhaff
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research and Development Innovation Grant Program Research and Development Collaboration Grant Program <p>All funding is provided for research projects at State universities. What has been the economic return to South Dakota by the projects funded through these programs? How many new businesses, patents, etc. have resulted from the projects funded? Could these programs still exist without State general funds? Would the projects funded still have been funded without these programs?</p>					
OR						
Research Centers	Board of Regents, Governor's Office of Economic Development, and the Research & Commercialization Council					
	<p>Funding provided to State universities for research. What has been the economic return to South Dakota from the funded research centers? Does the funding for the research centers align with the intent of the Legislature? Have the activities expanded beyond the original scope of the program?</p>					

Topics Changed from Potential Program Evaluation To Possible Issue Memo (Request to Executive Board)

Topic	Comments	Fiscal Information				Lead Staff
Unclaimed Property	State Office of the Treasurer					Staff TBD
	Issue Memo on legislative and budget history, practices/policies in other states, etc.					
		FY2019		5-Year Total Actual		
		General	0		0	
		Federal	0		0	
		Other	28,920,743	100%	79,722,820	100%
		Total	28,920,743	0%	79,722,820	0%