

Presentation to the Performance-Based Budget Board

PBB Overview and Recommendations

DOC/PBPP JCJC PCCD

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IFO Independent Fiscal Office

Act 48 of 2017 - PBB Duties

IFO shall develop PBB plans for all agencies.

- Statute gives significant discretion.
- Shall evaluate each agency program or line item.
- Shall develop performance metrics (efficiency, output, outcome).

Agencies shall submit information to IFO.

- Descriptions of programs, agency mission and goals.
- Any data that are requested, relevant and available.

IFO submits plans to PBB Board for review.

• If disapproved, return to IFO with recommendations.

General PBB Methodology

Modeled on Washington State (implemented 1994).

Define agency activities or services they provide.

- In many cases, line item separated into two or more activities.
- Creates challenges: a different way to view agency operations.
- Facilitates links: actual funds → service → various measures.

Compute actual spending and FTE per activity.

• Include all funding sources. Exclude lapses and vacancies.

Work with agencies to develop useful metrics.

• Time needed to develop quality outcome metrics.

PBB Timeline in First Year

Jan 2018

PBB review schedule set by Budget Office and IFO

Mar to Jul

general research, design data template, contact other states (NM, WA, MN), update to PBB Board staff

Mid August

first meeting with each agency, transmit data template

Sept to Nov

multiple follow up meetings, meet with legislative staff agency template submissions, research benchmarks with other states, update to PBB Board

Dec

final template submissions, begin report drafts

Jan 2019

provide drafts to agencies, agency edits, final meetings, submit to Board Jan 14

PBB vs Traditional Line Item Budget

An alternative budget that provides more detail.

- More disaggregation based on agency activities.
- More spending detail: personnel, operating, and other.
- Actual spending vs. appropriations.
- Actual FTEs vs. authorized complement.
- Allocate overhead costs to activities when possible.
- Show all relevant funding sources per activity.
- Five-year history on "actual spend" basis.

Note: FY 2018-19 shows appropriated amounts.

- Actuals not available. Different than historical years.
- Budget year not included.

First-Year Goals for PBB Plans

Build the report foundation for future years.

- Easily read and expandable. Not text dense.
- Create flexible data template to be used by all agencies.

Shift agency focus from line items to activities/services.

- Crucial step that requires agencies to identify expenditures by activity.
- Activities are building blocks of PBB plans. Used by other states too.

Establish the process used to interact with agencies.

- Multiple agency meetings over several months.
- Iteration necessary to refine metrics and compile allocations.

Meet the January 2019 deadline.

Moving Forward

Expand outcome measures and benchmarks.

- Many must be constructed from scratch.
- Meaningful benchmarks require research due to differences.

Leverage other research when possible.

 Could include academic studies and program evaluations from other states.

Incorporate feedback from PBB Board and others.

- How will the reports be used?
- Are there specific measures that should be computed?

Criminal Justice Agencies:

Department of Corrections (DOC) and PA Board of Probation and Parole (PBPP)

Juvenile Court Judges' Commission (JCJC)

PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD)

Overview of Agency Activities

Criminal Justice (DOC and PBPP)

• 13 activities focusing on inmate management, institutional operations, recidivism reduction, community corrections, parole supervision and victim services.

JCJC

• 2 activities focusing on juvenile justice system support and the Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy (JJSES).

PCCD

• 7 activities focusing on criminal justice system improvements, victim services, juvenile justice and delinquency prevention, sheriff and constable training and school safety.

Background

- Pennsylvania's state incarceration rate increased between 2006 and 2016, even though the crime rate decreased. Significant reductions in inmate population in each of the last five years.
- One of the highest community supervision rates in the nation.
- No cap on probation terms.
- Use of pretrial risk assessments not required.
- Only state that does not provide state funding for public defenders.
- County criminal justice systems vary significantly in terms of funding, staffing, populations served and workloads.

Recommendations

- Enhance the reporting of comparative county criminal justice statistics (Criminal Justice, JCJC, PCCD).
- Review formulas used in state grants to counties for adults and juvenile probation (Criminal Justice, JCJC).
- Establish a fund to reinvest savings at the county level (JCJC, PCCD).
- Increase collaboration among public safety agencies on the classification and monitoring of Sexually Violent Predators (SVPs) (Criminal Justice).
- Report comparative statistics by institution or region (Criminal Justice).