



Illinois Budgeting for Results Commission Bi-Monthly Meeting Minutes for February 24, 2023

Welcome and Introductions

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order and read a statement required by the Open Meetings Act:

Due to the ongoing threat to public health posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and the fact that the Office of the Governor continues to issue executive orders and disaster proclamations relating to the pandemic, this meeting is being conducted remotely pursuant to section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act at 5 ILCS 120/7(e), which authorizes a public body to conduct a meeting by video conference under circumstances where the Governor has issued a disaster declaration and the head of the public body has determined that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent.

On February 3, 2023, the Governor issued a 30-day disaster proclamation related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and I have determined that an in-person meeting would not be practical or prudent. I would also advise the Illinois Budgeting for Results Commission members that all votes will be conducted by roll call to comply with the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call

The roll was called, and a quorum was established. Commissioners and delegates attending include:

- Present: William Davis, Curt Clemons-Mosby, Meta Darnell, Pete Duncan, Kathy Saltmarsh, and Patrick Nolan.
- Voting by Proxy: Jesse Elam (Curt Clemons-Mosby) and Jose Sanchez (Curt Clemons-Mosby).
- Absent: Jesse Elam.

Commissioners recently retired from the Commission include former co-chair Jim Lewis, effective December 3, 2022, and Anthony Pascente, effective February 1, 2023.

Meeting Minutes

Chairman Davis requested a motion to approve the previous bi-monthly meeting minutes. Kathy Saltmarsh motioned for approval and Meta Darnell seconded the motion. No Commissioner voted against the motion and the meeting minutes were approved by rollcall vote.

Governor Pritzker's FY2024 Budget Highlights

Curt Clemons-Mosby provided an update of Governor Pritzker's proposed FY2024 budget. Proposed funding highlights include:

- K-12 education funding remains at record funding levels.
- Higher education funding is at its largest funding amount in the past two decades.
- The bill backlog has been eliminated.
- Healthcare, food access and homeless initiatives have been funded.
- Funds have been provided to help raise families out of poverty.
- The Rainy-Day fund received \$2.3 billion, the largest funding amount in over 20 years.
- S&P Global announced a rating increase of Illinois bonds to A- from BBB+ on February 23, 2023.

Budget Comparison: FY2023 to FY2024

Curt Clemons-Mosby provided operating revenue and expenditure comparisons from the FY2023 budget to the FY2024 budget:

- FY23 operating revenues estimate: \$51.3 billion
- FY23 expenditures estimate: \$49.9 billion
 - FY23 surplus: \$1.3 billion
- FY23 transfer to Rainy-Day fund: \$1.1 billion
 - FY23 adjusted surplus: \$194 million

- FY24 operating revenues estimate: \$49.9 billion
- FY24 expenditures estimate: \$49.6 billion
 - FY24 surplus: \$303 million
- FY24 transfer to Rainy-Day fund: \$138 million
 - FY24 adjusted surplus: \$165 million

Curt provided a brief review of the online interactive budget at budget.Illinois.gov under the BFR menu.

Amendments to the Budgeting for Results Statute

Curt Clemons-Mosby discussed House Bill 3857 that was introduced in the 103rd Illinois General Assembly to amend certain sections of 15 ILCS 20/50-25. Curt explained that the bill seeks to codify the work that is already being done by the Commission, update terminology, and better define the rules for procedure within the Commission. None of the Commission members raised questions or comments about the proposed changes to the BFR Commission's statute.

Planning for Budgeting for Results Public Hearing Topics

Curt Clemons-Mosby mentioned that the Commission's next public hearing will be on either of the last two Wednesdays in July. Curt encouraged commissioners to start thinking about potential topics and panelists for the hearing. A brief review of the Commission's past public hearing topics was provided. Chairman Davis echoed Curt's request for topic and panelist ideas.

Annual Budgeting for Results Mandate and Funds Cleanup Process

The Budgeting for Results Commission staff has filed each of its bills with the Illinois General Assembly. These bills make the changes that the Commission members approved in its [12th Annual Commission Report](#), dated November 1, 2022. The bills include:

- House Bill 3856 – Includes the funds to be repealed in statute and were mentioned in the fund cleanup portion of the annual report. See Appendix C of the report for a complete list of the funds to be repealed.
- House Bill 3902 – Includes the mandate items that state agencies request be amended or repealed. These items were initially submitted to the 102nd General Assembly. However, they did not advance through the entire legislative process and have been reintroduced in the 103rd General Assembly.
- House Bill 3903 – This is the mandate omnibus and includes all other non-fund cleanup items as well as items that have not previously been introduced in the General Assembly.

Chairman Davis asked the Commission members if there were any questions or comments about the mandate and funds cleanup process. No questions or comments were raised.

Budgeting for Results Meetings are open to the Public

Chairman Davis commented that the Budgeting for Results bi-monthly business meetings are open to the public and asked if there were any questions from the public. No questions were received. Curt Clemons-Mosby also invited any state agency staff attending to comment.

Gia Orr commented that the bill language she submitted for probate fees is also being carried by Chairman Davis as well. This bill will be up for hearing on March 1, 2023.

New Business

Chairman Davis invited the Commission members to raise any new business items they may have. No new business items were raised.

Adjournment

Chairman Davis requested a motion for adjournment. Kathy Saltmarsh motioned for adjournment and Pete Duncan seconded the motion. With a rollcall vote, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Next Bi-Monthly Meeting

The next bi-monthly meeting for the Budgeting for Results Commission is on Friday, April 28, 2023, at 1:30 PM. Curt Clemons-Mosby reiterated his request for the Commission members to provide their topic and panelist suggestions at the next bi-monthly meeting.