State Budget Information System Modernization

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The Department of Finance and Administration and The Legislative Finance Committee have entered into a Joint Powers Agreement for this Project.

**DFA Mission Statement**

The Mission of the Department of Finance and Administration is to provide sound fiscal advice and problem solving support to the Governor, provide budget direction and fiscal oversight to state agencies and local governments so as to ensure a positive impact on the daily lives of all New Mexico Citizens and ensure every tax dollar is spent wisely.

**LFC Mission Statement**

The mission of the Legislative Finance Committee is to provide the Legislature with objective fiscal and public policy analyses, recommendations and oversight of state agencies to improve performance and ensure accountability through the effective allocation of resources for the benefit of all New Mexicans.
What is our current state?

- The State of New Mexico currently uses the Budget Review System known as “BRS”.
  - This system serves as the data entry point for all Business Unit Operating Budgets
  - The system is based on Microsoft Access, a desktop database application
  - The process of developing, analyzing and monitoring budgets using this system requires:
    - operating in a compressed time schedule
    - involves hundreds of staff members and thousands of hours of work from all Business Units including State Budget Division and Legislative Finance Committee as the monitoring entities
  - Database is only accessible by one individual at a time
  - Database can be overwritten or deleted easily and accidentally
What have we done and what do we want the new Budget System to do?

- For the past 5 years DFA Staff and Agency Budget Staff have explored the possibility of a redevelopment project as a web-based product.
- Timely and accurate reporting on budget and appropriation activity
- A web-based application would reduce staff time for all State Agencies involved
- Provide better security and auditing of access
- Reduce probability of incorrect data being uploaded or entered in error
- Ability to back up, restore and verify data integrity
- Interfaces that work in conjunction with the SHARE Financial System for common data such as personnel records and operating budgets
- 24/7 availability of an enterprise system
What are we requesting and why?

- As a collective, we are requesting the release of $60,000 from our Special Appropriation of $250,000 under the Laws of 2015, HB2, Ch. 101 Section 7, Item #5

- The purpose of these funds is for the first phase of the project:
  - Identify stakeholders to participate
  - Document overview of current functionality and requirements
  - Research potential solutions by reviewing other states’ solutions and vendor solutions
  - Identify potential directions
  - Produce and distribute an RFI to gain a perspective of available solutions
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