

This email is in response to your question regarding the proposed amendments [21.0608.05003] to Senate Bill No. 2290. The amendments would provide for the following approval levels:

Request Amount	Approvals Needed	Budget Section Authority to Amend Request
Less than \$50,000	Emergency Commission only	Not applicable
\$50,000 to \$1,000,000	Emergency Commission and Budget Section	Budget Section may not amend the request.
Over \$1,000,000	Emergency Commission and Budget Section	Budget Section may amend the request. If amended, the request is deemed approved by the Emergency Commission in the amended format.

Note: Total requests are limited to \$30 million per biennium for federal funds and \$5 million for other funds. In addition, the Governor would need to call a special session of the Legislative Assembly if a federal Act appropriated more than \$50 million and the Legislative Assembly was not in session.

Below is information regarding requests approved by the Budget Section since the 2007-08 interim. In certain prior bienniums, the Budget Section was required by specific legislative action to approve federal disaster funding received and funding spent from the state disaster relief fund. Those items, along with funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), are noted separately.

- 2007-08 interim – Budget Section approved 22 requests totaling \$36.6 million.
- 2009-10 interim – Budget Section approved 19 requests totaling \$96.9 million (This amount includes \$81.8 million of federal emergency highway funding received by the state). Budget Section also approved \$131.4 million of disaster funding and \$50.1 million of ARRA funding.
- 2011-12 interim – Budget Section approved 17 requests totaling \$406.5 million (This amount includes \$377.1 million of federal emergency highway funding received by the state). Budget Section also approved \$410.2 million of disaster funding and \$7 million of ARRA funding.
- 2013-14 interim – Budget Section approved 13 requests totaling \$8.8 million. Budget Section also approved disaster funding of \$31.3 million.
- 2015-16 interim – Budget Section approved 12 requests for increased spending authority totaling \$3.1 million. Budget Section also approved disaster funding of \$32.3 million.
- 2017-18 interim – Budget Section approved 5 requests for increased spending authority totaling \$31.4 million. Budget Section also approved disaster funding of \$4.5 million
- 2019-20 interim – Budget Section approved 54 requests for increased spending authority totaling \$1.92 billion.