Estimated Savings from Various Options

(State Funds in Millions)

	FY 2011
Redirect Revenue Streams to General Fund	
Redirect Tobacco Settlement Revenue Stream to General Fund	10.0
Budget contains a $39.2 million appropriation to the Life Sciences Discovery Fund. Proposal is to permanently redirect funds to general fund. Savings: Over $65 million in 11-13.	
Redirect Filing Fee Revenue Streams to General Fund	9.9
Recording fees have dramatically increased in recent years and been dedicated to state efforts to fight homelessness. Proposal is to redirect revenue to general fund. Savings: $40 million in 11-13.	
Note : Savings could be doubled if also redirect fee increases that were dedicated to local govt to fight homelessness.	
Use unanticipated EdJobs funds to assist state budget	208.0
Per Governor recommendation.	
Anti-smoking spending	11.0
State spends $44 million biennium on public health adult anti-smoking efforts. Proposal is to terminate Jan. 1st. Proposal would retain funds for Youth Tobacco Prevention Acct. Savings: $44 million in 11-13.	
Streamline Sales Tax Mitigation Payments	TBD
State gives $49 million a biennium to local governments for SST mitigation payments. Amendment to national agreement permits Washington to return to old sourcing method for in-state transactions, thus ending need for mitigation.	
Use WEA Health Care Fund Balance to Offset State Costs	TBD
According to most recently available filing, WEA health care fund had balance exceeding $100 million. Balance created with taxpayer funds.	
Redirect Revenue Streams to General Fund	**238.9**
State & Higher Ed Employee Reductions	
Assume renegotiated agreements yield 2.5% across-bd salary reduction	46.3
Sufficient to save Basic Health Plan. Each 1% reduction saves $18.5 million over last six months of biennia.	
State & Higher Ed Employee Reductions	**46.3**
Human Services & Health Care Reductions	
Eliminate GA-U (Disability Lifeline) Program	55.6
Assumes March 1st effective date. CHP contract likely impedes earlier savings. Savings of $400 million in 11-13.	
Remove Undocumented from Basic Health Plan	8.5
Per filing with federal govt, 30% of enrollees do not provide SSN. Non-partisan staff estimate is 17% of enrollees are non-citizens (11,730). Savings: $59 million in 11-13.	
Terminate Non-Citizen Children's Health Program	7.1
Savings: $61 million in 11-13. Frequent state employee recommendation.	
TANF Time Limit	16.7
Impose 60 month time limit. Part of Governor's reductions. Frequent state employee recommendation.	
Limit New Entrants to Subsidized Child Care to TANF Clients	26.3

End TANF Benefits to Undocumented Parents	18.0
One of fastest growing areas of TANF. Savings: $80 million in 11-13.	
Eliminate state immigrant food assistance program	11.0
Part of Agency's 11-13 submittal. Assumes move up to Feb 1st. Savings: $53 million in 11-13.	
Eliminate TANF child care subsidy for agricultural workers	3.5
Assumes Feb. 1st effective date. Savings of $17 million in 11-13.	
Discontinue Child-Support Pass-Thru & IRS redistribution policy started in 2005	5.2
Assumes Feb 1st effective date. Frequent state employee suggestion. Savings: $25 million in 11-13.	
Part of Agency's 11-13 submittal.	
Eliminate Naturalization Services	1.6
Part of Governor's revised suggestions. Savings: $4.7 million in 11-13.	
Eliminate State-Paid Medical Interpreters	2.0
Assumes Gov's March 1st effective date. Physicians will be required to provide service. Savings: $16 million in 11-13.	
Delay I-1029 training	2.4
Part of Governor's revised suggestions.	
Capture Basic Health Plan trend decline	26.5
Eliminate Refugee Economic Services	3.0
Part of Agency's 11-13 submittal. Assumes move up to Feb 1st. Savings: $10 million in 11-13.	
Eliminate Diversion Cash Assistance (TANF)	5.4
Frequent state employee suggestion. Assumes Feb. 1st effective date. Savings: $26 million in 11-13.	
More frequent & stringent verifications	TBD
One of top 2 DSHS employee suggestions. May be impeded by federal health care reform law.	
Pare Down DSHS Management/WMS Positions	TBD
One of top 2 DSHS employee suggestions. Layoff employee, rather than re-name title or re-assign.	
Implement Co-Pays/Co-Premiums for Medicaid & State-Paid Health Programs	TBD
Principle: No one on state-paid medical care should receive free-of-charge. May be impeded by federal health care reform. Preliminary analysis of Children's caseload indicates savings estimate exceeding $2.5 million a month.	
Human Services & Health Care Reductions	**192.9**

Dept. of Corrections Reductions	
Implement Governor's Across-Bd-Cut & Directives	55.4
Place offenders out-of-state	TBD
Less costly. Utilized extensively in past.	
Dept. of Corrections Reductions	**55.4**

K-12 Reductions	
Maintain Historical Levy Equalization Percentage	21.0
2010 legislative enhancement: Increased equalization from 12% to 14% (due to levy lid increasing from 24% to 28%).	
Cost: $113 million in 11-13. Proposal is to change law back to historical 12% equalization policy.	
Account for LAP Overfunding As A Result of Overstated Poverty	21.6
LAP funding based on initial count of Free & Reduce Price Lunch eligible students. Yearly audits indicate initial self-reporting	

dramatically overstates eligible enrollees.

Do not fund All-Day Kindergarten	22.6
Discontinues state funding for last six months of fiscal year to 20% of districts that receive funding.	
Research indicates very little value to all-day K. Comports with Transforming Budget proposal presented by OFM.	
Five year time limit on district bilingual funding	4.8
Proposal discontinues enhanced funding to school district if pupil in bilingual for longer than 5 years.	
Currently, 15% students in longer than five years, over 7 times higher than two decades ago.	
Savings: $24 million in 11-13.	
No district bilingual funding for students who successfully pass WASL	2.2
6.2% students in bilingual, despite having passed grade-appropriate WASL. Policy used to be ineligible if passed WASL.	
Savings: $11 million in 11-13.	
National Bd Certified	TBD
Suspend. State scheduled to spend $100 million next biennium on salary bonuses to NB certified teachers.	
K-12 Reductions	**72.2**

Higher Education Reductions	
Recognize Governor's permissible across-the-board 4 & 2 year institution cuts	51.0
This is 1/3rd lower than Governor's 6.3% September across-the-board order purported to save. Savings unachievable due to maintenance-of-effort requirements imposed by federal stimulus funds.	
Examine Non-State Need Grant or Work Study financial assistance offerings	TBD
As funding for core financial aid programs becomes jeopardized, need to examine plethora of niche offerings.	
Reduce Tuition Waiver Authority	TBD
Reduce state-supported institutional tuition waivers ($280 million biennium at 4 years).	
Higher Education Reductions	**51.0**

General Government Reductions	
Commerce -- Restructure Business Development activities	5.5
Savings: Over $20 million in 11-13.	
Commerce -- Eliminate state-funded Housing activities (operating budget)	13.8
State spends $55 million a biennium from operating budget on housing activities in Commerce.	
Eliminate Office of Civil Legal Aid	5.6
Savings: $23 million in 11-13.	
Eliminate Office of Public Defense	10.0
Savings: $53 million in 11-13.	
Legislative	8.4
-- Goes beyond Gov's 6.3% cut ($4.9 million). Represents a 10.9% across-the-board cut, reflective of November's forecast drop. Legislative agencies should lead by example.	
State liability reform	
Limit state liability to joint & several. Limit claims to $1 million, absent legislative approval. Prior fiscal note indicated savings of $40 million a biennium. State currently spends $150 million biennium on liability costs.	TBD
Peformance audits -- Unused balance?	TBD
Check with state auditor to see if any amounts expected to be unused in remainder of 2009-11 biennium	

Eliminate sick leave buyouts	TBD
Policy of permitting employees to cash-out unused sick leave should be discontinued. If necessary, accomplish in renegotiation of 2009-11 collective bargaining agreements.	
Eliminate state agency legislative liasions & lobbying related contracts	TBD
Reduce public relations & communications staff in state agencies	TBD
Repeal Retire-Rehire public employee provisions	TBD
General Government Reductions	**43.3**
Acceptable Policies from Gov's Sept. Across-the-Bd Cut Order (Exclusive of Cuts Already Identified)	
(Source for Agency Across-the-Board Cuts: House OPR 11/19/10 spreadsheet.)	
Judicial	**4.9**
-- Require 6.3% reduction.	
Govt. Operations	**8.4**
-- Major items acceptable except proposal to reduce DOR's tax collection activities, which would reduce tax collections by a greater amount than proposed savings.	
DSHS	**95.1**
-- Prepared to accept most agency-imposed cuts, except in Medical Assistance, LTC & DD. Objectionable DSHS cuts include:	
-- Eliminate Pharmacy Benefits for Adults	
-- Low-income dental, hearing, vision, and podiatry services	
-- Reductions to long-term care & developmentally disabled clients' personal care service hours	
-- Suspending DD family respite care	
-- Mandating long-term care & DD clients use IP as opposed to AP	
-- Need further information on impact of proposed nursing home rate change & reduction to RSN non-Medicaid funding for mentally ill	
Agency proposed savings from these cuts are not included in figure.	
Other Human Services	**8.8**
-- Major cuts acceptable upon initial review	
Natural Resources	**11**
-- Major items acceptable upon initial review	
Transportation	**2.3**
-- Major items acceptable upon initial review	
K-12 Education	**10.8**
-- Acceptable items include reduction to OSPI admin & program funding, plus reduction in WASL expenditures	
Higher Education	**0**
-- Maximum higher education insitutional cuts previously identified in "Higher Education Reductions" section. With regard to financial aid, a systematic examination is preferable to partial cuts to variety of programs.	
All Other	**7.7**
Acceptable policies from Gov's Sept. Across-the-Bd Cut Order (Exclusive of Cuts Already Identified)	**149.0**
Total	**848.9**