

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES**B. Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee**

in Joint Session with

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee**2008 State Supplemental Budget Request**

As part of the normal state biennial budget process, the Governor asks state agencies to submit potential supplemental budget requests for consideration during the 2008 legislative session. Supplemental budget requests must be submitted to the state Office of Financial Management in mid-October. The purpose of this item is to provide background information on the state supplemental budget process.

During July, August and early September, the administration will evaluate items that could be included in the UW's 2008 state supplemental budget request. At the September Board of Regents meeting, the administration will present an information item with proposed items for the UW 2008 state supplemental budget request. At the October Board of Regents item, the administration will present the UW 2008 state supplemental budget request as an action item.

Under the standard state supplemental budget instructions, the state Office of Financial Management asks that supplemental budget requests be limited to the following:

- a critical or emergent situation;
- a change in mandatory caseload or workload;
- a technical correction to the enacted biennial budget; or
- an opportunity to reduce state government costs.

In the supplemental budget process, the state Office of Financial Management does not specifically solicit capital budget requests. Instead, agencies are asked to identify technical or financial capital budget issues that need to be addressed in the upcoming legislative session. These guidelines are not binding and many state agencies that do not report directly to the Governor submit supplemental budget requests that may not technically meet the criteria specified by the Office of Financial Management.

As the UW has done in recent state supplemental budget requests, the administration is proposing that the UW consider selected state supplemental budget requests that meet one or more of the criteria listed below:

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state investments that support the research mission of the University;

state investments that support the operations and maintenance of selected facilities;

state investments that leverage or match university, federal or donor dollars; and

state investments that help resolve safety or environmental issues.

The administration will be strategic in its choice of which state supplemental budget requests to bring forward for discussion. The administration will also evaluate whether to bring forward a supplemental budget request related to development of the new UW campus which will be located somewhere in Snohomish, Island or Skagit counties.

Over the next two months, the administration will also evaluate whether there are any pieces of legislation that the UW wants to propose for consideration during the 2008 legislative session. Proposed bills that do not have a fiscal impact are due to the Office of Financial Management by September 28, 2007. Proposed bills with a fiscal impact are due to the Office of Financial Management by October 12, 2007.