

Comparative Summary of Bill 1A and Bill 1B
 (Alternative Drafts of Legislation to Create a State Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund)
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Bill 1A (Representative Court)	Bill 1B (Senator Brophy)
Replaces the general fund reserve with a new state budget stabilization reserve fund (fund).	Supplements the general fund reserve with a new state budget stabilization reserve fund (fund).
Requires the same amount of general fund moneys that would otherwise be kept in the general fund reserve under existing law (SB 09-228) to be credited to the fund until the fund balance reaches 6.5% of general fund appropriations (the amount at which the general fund reserve is fully funded under SB 09-0228). Thereafter, requires an additional 1% of general fund appropriations to be credited to the fund until the fund balance reaches 15% of general fund appropriations.	Requires the general fund reserve to continue to be funded as specified in existing law (SB 09-228). Requires general fund moneys to be credited to the fund for each FY in amounts equal to the lesser of the amount of the general fund reserve for the FY or the amount needed to bring the balance of the fund to 15% of general fund appropriations.
Changes the existing trigger for required budget cutting by the Governor from estimated expenditure of 1/2 of the general fund reserve to estimated expenditure from the fund of an amount equal to the greater of 2% of general fund appropriations or 1/3 of the fund.	Keeps the existing trigger for required budget cutting by the Governor at estimated expenditure of 1/2 of the general fund reserve, and ensures that the trigger functions as intended by requiring the general fund reserve to be completely expended before moneys are appropriated from the fund.