

## **SAM - BUDGETING**

### **BUDGET ACT** (Revised 9/2010)

**6333**

A Budget Bill is introduced in each house of the Legislature at the time the Governor presents the proposed budget to the Legislature. These bills propose the major part of the expenditure authority (appropriations) for the purposes stated in the Governor's Budget. The Legislature normally amends the proposed Budget Bills. One of the bills becomes the Budget Act after it is passed by both houses of the Legislature and signed by the Governor. Items in the Budget Bill may be vetoed or decreased but not increased by the Governor prior to signature. The Budget Bill signed by the Governor must be balanced, as specified by the Constitution. See SAM Section 6350.