

General Government A
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	Page #	Analyst	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee Recommended FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund									
Governor's Office	8	TM	3,163,108	3,716,196	4,734,840	4,740,627	4,740,627	4,751,456	10,829
Secretary of the State	9	TM	13,882,526	11,918,799	16,444,732	15,809,732	14,909,732	19,553,868	4,644,136
Lieutenant Governor's Office	12	TM	837,942	833,708	911,921	911,921	911,921	920,972	9,051
Elections Enforcement Commission	13	TM	3,193,780	3,829,640	3,907,796	4,255,296	4,255,296	4,280,767	25,471
Office of State Ethics	15	TM	1,903,315	2,020,422	2,069,345	2,059,779	2,139,332	2,238,902	99,570
Freedom of Information Commission	17	TM	1,761,199	1,914,506	2,283,813	2,283,813	2,283,813	2,307,423	23,610
Office of Governmental Accountability	18	TM	2,385,053	2,526,714	3,208,262	3,977,255	3,772,157	4,207,739	435,582
Total - General Fund			27,126,923	26,759,985	33,560,709	34,038,423	33,012,878	38,261,127	5,248,249
Total - Appropriated Funds			27,126,923	26,759,985	33,560,709	34,038,423	33,012,878	38,261,127	5,248,249

Governor's Office
GOV12000

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	28	28	28	28	28	28	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	2,606,293	3,324,762	3,983,704	3,983,704	3,983,704	3,994,533	10,829
Other Expenses	455,545	391,434	635,401	635,401	635,401	635,401	-
Other Than Payments to Local Governments							
National Governors' Association	101,270	-	115,735	121,522	121,522	121,522	-
Agency Total - General Fund	3,163,108	3,716,196	4,734,840	4,740,627	4,740,627	4,751,456	10,829

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Policy Revisions

Provide Funding for Salary Increases for Judges, Constitutional Officers, and Workers' Compensation Commissioners

Personal Services	-	10,829	10,829
Total - General Fund	-	10,829	10,829

Background

CGS Sec. 3-2 sets the salary of the Governor to the salary of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Committee

Provide funding of \$10,829 in FY 27 to reflect a 4.35% increase in the salaries of judges, constitutional officers, and workers' compensation commissioners.

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	4,740,627	4,740,627	-
Policy Revisions	-	10,829	10,829
Total Recommended - GF	4,740,627	4,751,456	10,829

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	28	28	-
Total Recommended - GF	28	28	-

Secretary of the State

SOS12500

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	88	88	96	101	101	105	4

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	3,141,961	3,155,482	4,411,011	5,402,637	5,402,637	5,286,773	(115,864)
Other Expenses	2,559,828	2,466,319	3,144,562	3,517,936	2,617,936	5,127,936	2,510,000
Other Current Expenses							
Commercial Recording Division	5,100,563	5,069,619	5,419,159	5,419,159	5,419,159	5,419,159	-
Early Voting	3,080,174	1,227,379	3,320,000	1,320,000	1,320,000	3,570,000	2,250,000
Bridgeport Election Monitor	-	-	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	-
Agency Total - General Fund	13,882,526	11,918,799	16,444,732	15,809,732	14,909,732	19,553,868	4,644,136

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Policy Revisions

Provide Funding to Support Early Voting Grants to Municipalities

Early Voting	-	2,250,000	2,250,000
Total - General Fund	-	2,250,000	2,250,000

Background

PA 23-204, the FY 24 and FY 25 Budget, provided several sources of funding to support costs to the Secretary of the State (SOTS) and grants to municipalities for the passage of PA 23-5, *An Act Implementing Early Voting*. Grants to towns for early voting over the last few fiscal years have totaled \$1 million in FY 24, \$1.8 million in FY 25, and \$2 million in FY 26.

Committee

Provide funding of \$2.25 million in FY 27 to support municipal expenses related to early in-person voting. Each town will receive a base grant of \$5,000. Each town seeking more than the base grant must submit early voting expenses. The remaining funding will be distributed based on each town's share of the state's electorate that participated via early voting in the last election, among those towns that submit expenses.

Provide Funding to Support Voter Information Campaign

Other Expenses	-	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total - General Fund	-	1,000,000	1,000,000

Background

The Secretary of the State (SOTS) conducted a voter information campaign in both 2020 and 2022. These campaigns each generated more than 100 million impressions at a cost of \$2 million per campaign.

Committee

Provide funding of \$1 million in FY 27 to support a voter information campaign. The voter information campaign will focus on voting locations and timelines, absentee ballot procedures, recognition and reporting of irregularities, and how voting options work.

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Provide Funding to Support Implementing Risk-Limiting Audits

Other Expenses	-	400,000	400,000
Total - General Fund	-	400,000	400,000

Background

Risk-limiting audits are publicly verifiable auditing procedures that manually examine a statistical sample of paper ballots and cap at a specified risk limit. Current election audits do not involve statistical sampling or cap risk.

Committee

Provide \$400,000 in FY 27 to support the implementation of risk-limiting audits (RLAs).

Provide Funding to Support Municipal Election Accountability Board

Personal Services	-	375,085	375,085
Other Expenses	-	10,000	10,000
Total - General Fund	-	385,085	385,085
Positions - General Fund	-	4	4

Committee

Provide funding of \$385,085 and four positions in FY 27 to support the creation of the Municipal Election Accountability Board (MEAB). This includes an Executive Director, a Staff Attorney II, an Elections Officer, and an Administrative Assistant to facilitate board oversight of impacted municipalities. Funding additionally includes \$10,000 in equipment costs for the new positions.

Provide Funding for Salary Increases for Judges, Constitutional Officers, and Workers' Compensation Commissioners

Personal Services	-	9,051	9,051
Total - General Fund	-	9,051	9,051

Background

CGS Sec. 3-77 sets the salary of the Secretary of the State to the salary of a Superior Court Judge.

Committee

Provide funding of \$9,051 in FY 27 to reflect a 4.35% increase in the salaries of judges, constitutional officers, and workers' compensation commissioners.

Current Services

Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements

Personal Services	-	(500,000)	(500,000)
Other Expenses	(900,000)	-	900,000
Total - General Fund	(900,000)	(500,000)	400,000

Background

PA 25-168, the FY 26 and FY 27 Budget, included additional funding of \$1.1 million in both FY 26 and FY 27 to support other expenses within the Office of the Secretary of the State.

Governor

Reduce funding by \$900,000 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements for Other Expenses.

Committee

Reduce funding by \$500,000 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements for Personal Services.

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Provide Funding to Support IVS Ballot Marking System

Other Expenses	-	200,000	200,000
Total - General Fund	-	200,000	200,000

Background

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) both require accessible ballot-marking systems to be made available to voters. The Secretary of the State has an existing contract to provide this access at an annual cost of \$795,050, which is \$200,000 more than available funding.

Committee

Provide funding of \$200,000 in FY 27 to support the IVS Ballot Marking System.

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	15,809,732	15,809,732	-
Policy Revisions	-	4,044,136	4,044,136
Current Services	(900,000)	(300,000)	600,000
Total Recommended - GF	14,909,732	19,553,868	4,644,136

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	101	101	-
Policy Revisions	-	4	4
Total Recommended - GF	101	105	4

Lieutenant Governor's Office LGO13000

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	7	7	7	7	7	7	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	809,474	787,989	865,598	865,598	865,598	874,649	9,051
Other Expenses	28,468	45,719	46,323	46,323	46,323	46,323	-
Agency Total - General Fund	837,942	833,708	911,921	911,921	911,921	920,972	9,051

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Policy Revisions

Provide Funding for Salary Increases for Judges, Constitutional Officers, and Workers' Compensation Commissioners

Personal Services	-	9,051	9,051
Total - General Fund	-	9,051	9,051

Background

CGS Sec. 3-2 sets the salary of the Lieutenant Governor to the salary of a Superior Court Judge.

Committee

Provide funding of \$9,051 in FY 27 to reflect a 4.35% increase in the salaries of judges, constitutional officers, and workers' compensation commissioners.

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	911,921	911,921	-
Policy Revisions	-	9,051	9,051
Total Recommended - GF	911,921	920,972	9,051

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	7	7	-
Total Recommended - GF	7	7	-

Elections Enforcement Commission
ELE13500

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	35	35	35	35	36	36	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Other Current Expenses							
Elections Enforcement Commission	3,193,780	3,829,640	3,907,796	4,255,296	4,255,296	4,280,767	25,471
Agency Total - General Fund	3,193,780	3,829,640	3,907,796	4,255,296	4,255,296	4,280,767	25,471

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Current Services

Increase Position Count to Reflect Current Staffing

Positions - General Fund	1	1	-
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Background

PA 25-168, the FY 26 and FY 27 Budget, provided funding to support one Elections Officer. The additional position was not reflected in the position count.

Governor

Provide one position in FY 27 to reflect current staffing.

Committee

Same as Governor

Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements

Elections Enforcement Commission	-	25,471	25,471
Total - General Fund	-	25,471	25,471

Committee

Provide funding of \$25,471 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements.

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	4,255,296	4,255,296	-
Current Services	-	25,471	25,471
Total Recommended - GF	4,255,296	4,280,767	25,471

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	35	35	-
Current Services	1	1	-
Total Recommended - GF	36	36	-

Office of State Ethics
ETH13600

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	16	16	16	16	16	17	1

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Other Current Expenses							
Office of State Ethics	1,903,315	2,020,422	2,069,345	2,059,779	2,139,332	2,238,902	99,570
Agency Total - General Fund	1,903,315	2,020,422	2,069,345	2,059,779	2,139,332	2,238,902	99,570

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Policy Revisions

Provide Funding to Support Enforcement

Office of State Ethics	-	99,570	99,570
Total - General Fund	-	99,570	99,570
Positions - General Fund	-	1	1

Committee

Provide funding of \$99,570 and one position in FY 27 to support a Staff Attorney II in the Enforcement Division. This position will provide increased support for confidential investigations and lobbyist filing enforcement.

Current Services

Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements

Office of State Ethics	79,553	79,553	-
Total - General Fund	79,553	79,553	-

Governor

Provide funding of \$79,553 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements.

Committee

Same as Governor

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	2,059,779	2,059,779	-
Policy Revisions	-	99,570	99,570
Current Services	79,553	79,553	-
Total Recommended - GF	2,139,332	2,238,902	99,570

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	16	16	-
Policy Revisions	-	1	1
Total Recommended - GF	16	17	1

Freedom of Information Commission
FOI13700

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	18	18	18	18	18	18	-

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Other Current Expenses							
Freedom of Information Commission	1,761,199	1,914,506	2,283,813	2,283,813	2,283,813	2,307,423	23,610
Agency Total - General Fund	1,761,199	1,914,506	2,283,813	2,283,813	2,283,813	2,307,423	23,610

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Current Services

Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements

Freedom of Information Commission	-	23,610	23,610
Total - General Fund	-	23,610	23,610

Committee

Provide funding of \$23,610 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements.

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	2,283,813	2,283,813	-
Current Services	-	23,610	23,610
Total Recommended - GF	2,283,813	2,307,423	23,610

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	18	18	-
Total Recommended - GF	18	18	-

Office of Governmental Accountability
OGA17000

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
General Fund	28	28	36	36	34	39	5

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 24	Actual FY 25	Governor Estimated FY 26	Original Appropriation FY 27	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference -Gov FY 27
Personal Services	1,102	106,035	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	3,904	8,909	25,098	25,098	-	-	-
Other Current Expenses							
Child Fatality Review Panel	119,581	127,562	139,183	139,183	139,183	139,183	-
Contracting Standards Board	682,975	699,092	758,234	859,334	859,334	859,334	-
Judicial Review Council	131,396	137,580	191,511	191,511	191,511	191,511	-
Judicial Selection Commission	89,077	96,447	117,678	117,678	117,678	117,678	-
Office of the Child Advocate	766,525	729,824	817,892	1,032,892	1,032,892	1,032,892	-
Office of the Victim Advocate	466,650	486,933	519,674	519,674	519,674	519,674	-
Board of Firearms Permit Examiners	123,843	134,332	148,193	148,193	148,193	148,193	-
Office of the Correction Ombuds	-	-	490,799	763,692	763,692	1,019,274	255,582
Office of the Educational Ombudsperson	-	-	-	180,000	-	180,000	180,000
Agency Total - General Fund	2,385,053	2,526,714	3,208,262	3,977,255	3,772,157	4,207,739	435,582

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Policy Revisions

Provide Funding to Support Office of the Correction Ombuds

Office of the Correction Ombuds	-	255,582	255,582
Total - General Fund	-	255,582	255,582
Positions - General Fund	-	3	3

Committee

Provide funding of \$255,582 and three positions in FY 27 to support the Office of the Correction Ombuds. This includes an Office Assistant, a Data Scientist, and an Associate Ombuds to provide operational support. These positions will facilitate complaint intake, review Department of Correction (DOC) data and reports, and provide oversight for transitional housing and reentry-related medical and safety concerns.

Account	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
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Maintain the Office of the Educational Ombudsperson

	(180,000)	-	180,000
Office of the Educational Ombudsperson	(180,000)	-	180,000
Total - General Fund	(180,000)	-	180,000
Positions - General Fund	(2)	-	2

Background

Section 27 of PA 25-93, *An Act Increasing Resources for Students, Schools and Special Education*, created the Office of the Educational Ombudsperson within the Office of Governmental Accountability. The office has not been staffed.

Governor

Eliminate two positions and reduce funding by \$180,000 in FY 27 to reflect the elimination of the Office of the Educational Ombudsperson.

Committee

Maintain the Office of the Educational Ombudsperson, including funding and positions.

Current Services

Adjust Funding to Reflect Current Requirements

Other Expenses	(25,098)	(25,098)	-
Total - General Fund	(25,098)	(25,098)	-

Governor

Reduce funding by \$25,098 in FY 27 to reflect current agency requirements.

Committee

Same as Governor

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	3,977,255	3,977,255	-
Policy Revisions	(180,000)	255,582	435,582
Current Services	(25,098)	(25,098)	-
Total Recommended - GF	3,772,157	4,207,739	435,582

Positions	Governor Revised FY 27	Committee FY 27	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	36	36	-
Policy Revisions	(2)	3	5
Total Recommended - GF	34	39	5