

## Federal Special Revenue Fund Group

### 3U5 820-602 OSHIIP Operating Grant

2000 Actual	2001 Actual	2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Appropriation	2005 Appropriation
\$ 323,274	\$ 561,056	\$ 399,506	\$ 388,864	<b>\$ 560,559</b>	<b>\$ 560,559</b>
	73.6%	-28.8%	-2.7%	<b>44.2%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

**Source:** Federal Special Revenue Fund Group: CFDA 93.779, a grant awarded from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), formerly known as the Health Care Finance Administration (HCFA)

**Legal Basis:** Section 58 of Am. Sub. H.B. 95 of the 125th G.A. (originally established by Controlling Board on December 6, 1999)

**Purpose:** The Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIIP) is jointly administered with the Ohio Department of Aging (ODA). The federal grant that funds the program was formerly made to ODA, with OSHIIP being reimbursed for its expenses via Intrastate Transfer Voucher (ISTV). Starting in FY 2000, OSHIIP was awarded the federal grant directly from the Health Care Finance Administration (now known as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services). As a result, instead of commingling the grant funds with the Ohio Department of Insurance's Operating Fund 554, Fund 3U5 and line item 820-602 were created to receive and disburse the grant funds. ODA receives 10% of the grant funds via ISTV to finance the Benefits Eligibility Screening Service program, in accordance with an interagency agreement between ODI and ODA.

## State Special Revenue Fund Group

### 554 820-601 Operating Expenses-OSHIIP

2000 Actual	2001 Actual	2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Appropriation	2005 Appropriation
\$ 440,285	\$ 69,573	\$ 422,786	\$ 522,267	<b>\$ 506,515</b>	<b>\$ 561,411</b>
	-84.2%	507.7%	23.5%	<b>-3.0%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>

**Source:** State Special Revenue Fund Group: Fund 554 (insurance agents' fees)

**Legal Basis:** Section 58 of Am. Sub. H.B. 95 of the 125th G.A. (originally established by Controlling Board on September 14, 1998; the OSHIIP program was originally created by Executive Order in 1992)

**Purpose:** The Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIIP) educates and counsels senior citizens on Medicare and other health insurance concerns. This program serves an eligible population of 1.4 million elderly Ohioans. Program staff provide counseling and telephone assistance, conduct educational seminars, assemble and publish insurance information brochures, and recruit and train volunteers who serve as counselors at the county level. Prior to FY 2000, the program received funding through an interagency agreement with the Ohio Department of Aging and through the department's operating fund (Fund 554). Beginning in FY 2000, the grant funds were appropriated in Fund 3U5, line item 820-602, OSHIIP Operating Grant. The program continues to be funded in part by the department's main operating fund, Fund 554, through this line item (820-601).

## *Insurance, Department of*

### **554 820-606 Operating Expenses**

2000 Actual	2001 Actual	2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Appropriation	2005 Appropriation
\$ 17,104,654	\$ 17,551,158	\$ 18,427,154	\$ 19,334,833	<b>\$ 21,815,431</b>	<b>\$ 22,357,575</b>
	2.6%	5.0%	4.9%	<b>12.8%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>

**Source:** State Special Revenue Fund Group: Various fees. The fund receives up to \$15 of the \$20 fee assessed for the licensing of insurance agents and agencies, plus charges for continuing education of insurance agents, and fees for a variety of services or transactions performed by the Department for the regulation of insurance companies. These fees were first authorized by Am. Sub. H.B. 152 of the 120th G.A., which enacted ORC 3901.043. The remaining \$5 of the agent licensing fee is deposited into the GRF. In addition, Sub. S.B. 375 of the 120th G.A., effective January 1, 1994, established the Insurance Agent Continuing Education program for which fees are charged and used to administer the program.

**Legal Basis:** ORC 3901.021 (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 694 of the 114th G.A.)

**Purpose:** This line item provides funding for the Department's operations, other than those directly related to examining the books of insurance companies. This appropriation line item became effective November 15, 1981.

### **555 820-605 Examination**

2000 Actual	2001 Actual	2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Appropriation	2005 Appropriation
\$ 5,081,718	\$ 6,068,542	\$ 6,097,702	\$ 6,454,494	<b>\$ 7,433,751</b>	<b>\$ 7,639,581</b>
	19.4%	0.5%	5.9%	<b>15.2%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>

**Source:** State Special Revenue Fund Group: Insurance company fees

**Legal Basis:** ORC 3901.071 (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 1267 of the 111th G.A.)

**Purpose:** This line item receives payments from insurance companies for the services of state examiners. The receipts are used to pay the salaries, fringe benefits, and travel expenses of the examiners, and administrative costs associated with the Office of Financial Regulation. This line item became effective May 21, 1976.