

Court of Claims

General Revenue Fund

GRF 015-321 Operating Expenses

| 1998 Actual | 1999 Actual | 2000 Actual | 2001 Actual | 2002 Appropriation | 2003 Appropriation |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| \$ 1,845,162 | \$ 2,154,439 | \$ 2,458,920 | \$ 2,131,295 | \$ 2,908,749 | \$ 2,990,194 |
| | 16.8% | 14.1% | -13.3% | 36.5% | 2.8% |

Source: General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: Section 37 of Am. Sub. H.B. 94 of the 124th G.A. (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 694 of the 114th G.A., the main appropriations act covering FYs 1982 and 1983)

Purpose: This line item essentially funds the payroll, maintenance, and equipment costs of the Court of Claims' Civil Division.

GRF 015-402 Wrongful Imprisonment Compensation

| 1998 Actual | 1999 Actual | 2000 Actual | 2001 Actual | 2002 Appropriation | 2003 Appropriation |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| \$ 30,205 | \$ 0 | \$ 75,501 | \$ 841,237 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| | -100.0% | N/A | 1014.2% | -100.0% | N/A |

Source: General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: As-needed line item; ORC 2743.48

Purpose: This line item is used to pay a sum of money to those who have been judged wrongfully imprisoned, in addition to reasonable attorney fees and other expenses. When a wrongful imprisonment judgment is journalized, the Controlling Board, upon certification by the Court of Claims, transfers the sum necessary to this line item. Since the Controlling Board provides money for the awards on an as-needed basis, the line item does not receive a direct appropriation through the main appropriations act passed by each General Assembly. The necessary funds are typically transferred from moneys appropriated to the Controlling Board for the purpose of assisting state agencies and political subdivisions in responding to disasters and emergency situations.

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State Special Revenue Fund Group

402 015-601 Victims of Crime

| 1998 Actual | 1999 Actual | 2000 Actual | 2001 Actual | 2002 Appropriation | 2003 Appropriation |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| \$ 20,731,609 | \$ 21,498,554 | \$ 18,235,635 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| | 3.7% | -15.2% | -100.0% | N/A | N/A |

Source: State Special Revenue Fund Group: (1) Court costs of \$30 and \$9 imposed, pursuant to ORC 2743.70, upon on an offender convicted of or pleading guilty to a felony or misdemeanor, respectively, other than a nonmoving traffic violation, (2) money collected by the state pursuant to its right of subrogation, (3) federal Victims of Crime Act funds used only for awards to compensate victims of crime for out-of-pocket expenses incurred as a result of their victimization (CFDA 16.576, Crime Victim Compensation), (4) seventy-five dollars of the \$425 fee collected pursuant to ORC 4511.191 for the reinstatement of a driver's license that was suspended for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs (OMVI), (5) payments collected by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction from prisoners who voluntarily participate in an approved work and training program, (6) small miscellaneous charges for things such as copying, and (7) portions of the proceeds of the sale of a forfeited vehicle as specified in ORC 4503.234(D)(2)

Legal Basis: Discontinued line item; ORC 2743.191 (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 82 of the 111th G.A.; revenue stream moved into the Office of the Attorney General's budget pursuant to Am. Sub. S.B. 153 of the 123rd G.A.)

Purpose: Prior to July 1, 2000, the revenue deposited in the state treasury to the credit of this fund was used for the purpose of compensating victims of crime, including all administrative costs incurred by the Court of Claims and the Office of the Attorney General. Revenue for various victims assistance activities and programs in the Office of the Attorney General's budget also drew on this fund. The amounts paid against claims awarded to victims were determined by commissioners of the Court of Claims, but the size of any award could not exceed \$50,000 per victim per any one incident. This fund was eliminated from the court's budget with the passage of Am. Sub. S.B. 153 of the 123rd G.A. and its involvement with the Victims of Crime Compensation Program was narrowed to an appellate function funded through Fund 5K2, the CLA Victims of Crime Fund.

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5K2 015-603 CLA Victims of Crime

| 1998 Actual | 1999 Actual | 2000 Actual | 2001 Actual | 2002 Appropriation | 2003 Appropriation |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 10,423,254 | \$ 1,891,183 | \$ 1,602,716 |
| | N/A | N/A | N/A | -81.9% | -15.3% |

Source: State Special Revenue Fund Group: Cash transferred by the Director of Budget and Management from the Office of the Attorney General's Victims of Crime Fund (Fund 402), also known as the Reparations Fund

Legal Basis: Section 37 of Am. Sub. H.B. 94 of the 124th G.A.; ORC 2743.531 (originally established by Am. Sub. S.B. 153 of the 123rd G.A.)

Purpose: The fund is used to pay for the Court of Claims' appellate role in the Victims of Crime Compensation Program. Specifically, the fund pays for: (1) the compensation of the commissioners of the Court of Claims, (2) the compensation of judges of the Court of Claims necessary to hear and determine appeals from the commissioners, (3) the compensation of any personnel of the Court of Claims needed to administer ORC 2743.51 to 2743.72, and (4) other administrative expenses of hearing and determining appeals by the commissioners and judges of the Court of Claims.