

- Total appropriation for FY 2004 is 5.0% more than FY 2003; FY 2005 is 5.0% more than FY 2004

## House of Representatives

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### ROLE

The role of the House of Representatives, in conjunction with the Ohio Senate, is to enact the laws of the state, the authority for which is provided in the Ohio Constitution. The House considers bills, which may alter or create state law, as well as resolutions that are formal expressions of the wishes and opinions of the legislature.

Agency In Brief					
Number of Employees*	Total Appropriations-All Funds		GRF Appropriations		Appropriation Bill(s)
	2004	2005	2004	2005	
333**	\$20.4 million	\$21.4 million	\$19.0 million	\$20.0 million	Am. Sub. H.B. 95

\*Employee head count obtained from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) payroll reports as of June 28, 2003.

\*\*Includes employment counts for House members, legislative staff, administrative staff, and pages.

### OVERVIEW

Appropriations for FY 2004 total \$20,406,112. This amount is \$971,721 more than the revised appropriation for FY 2003 (a 5.0% increase) and is \$2,084,764 more than actual expenditures for FY 2003. Appropriations for FY 2005 total \$21,426,416, or \$1,020,304 more than FY 2004 (a 5.0% increase).

Ohio's House of Representatives is divided into 99 legislative districts, each serving a population of approximately 115,000 persons. Each Representative of the House retains his or her own personal staff, typically consisting of an administrative aide, and for certain members, an additional legislative aide.

The budget for the House of Representatives contains three appropriation line items. The General Revenue Fund provides approximately 93% of the House's total budget, the majority of which is directed toward payroll and benefit expenses for legislators and their staffs. Separate General Service Fund accounts contain refunds for medical insurance premium overpayments made to the Department of Administrative Services, and revenue from the sale of flags, insignia, seals, and other similar items. 

**FY 2004 - 2005 Final Appropriation Amounts**

**All Fund Group**

**Line Item Detail by Agency**

*FY 2001:*      *FY 2002:*      *FY 2003:*      **FY 2004**      *% Change*      **FY 2005**      *% Change*  
*Appropriations:*      *Appropriations:*      *Appropriations:*      *2003 to 2004:*      *Appropriations:*      *2004 to 2005:*

**Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill**

**Version: Enacted**

**REP House of Representatives**

GRF	025-321	Operating Expenses	\$ 17,571,805	\$ 17,697,267	\$17,982,716	\$ 19,018,547	5.76%	\$ 19,969,473	5.00%
<b>General Revenue Fund Total</b>			<b>\$ 17,571,805</b>	<b>\$ 17,697,267</b>	<b>\$ 17,982,716</b>	<b>\$ 19,018,547</b>	<b>5.76%</b>	<b>\$ 19,969,473</b>	<b>5.00%</b>
103	025-601	House Reimbursement	\$ 99,922	\$ 1,164,729	\$311,211	\$ 1,351,875	334.39%	\$ 1,419,469	5.00%
4A4	025-602	Miscellaneous Sales	\$ 23,080	\$ 26,244	\$27,421	\$ 35,690	30.16%	\$ 37,474	5.00%
<b>General Services Fund Group Total</b>			<b>\$ 123,002</b>	<b>\$ 1,190,974</b>	<b>\$ 338,632</b>	<b>\$ 1,387,565</b>	<b>309.76%</b>	<b>\$ 1,456,943</b>	<b>5.00%</b>
<b>House of Representatives Total</b>			<b>\$ 17,694,807</b>	<b>\$ 18,888,241</b>	<b>\$ 18,321,348</b>	<b>\$ 20,406,112</b>	<b>11.38%</b>	<b>\$ 21,426,416</b>	<b>5.00%</b>