# **LSC Greenbook**

**Analysis of the Enacted Budget** 

# **House of Representatives**

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Budget Spreadsheet By Line Item

# **House of Representatives**

- Total funding is \$24.7 million in each fiscal year
- Primarily GRF-funded budget
- Largest expense is member and staff compensation

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### **Agency Overview**

The legislative branch of the state of Ohio includes the General Assembly, which is composed of two chambers: the Senate and the House of Representatives. Based on Article II of the Ohio Constitution, the General Assembly has three fundamental legislative powers: (1) the power to enact laws providing for the establishment, organization, and operation of government in Ohio, (2) the power to enact all manner of laws that promote the public peace, health, safety, and welfare, and (3) the power to levy and collect taxes for certain purposes.

The House has 99 members called Representatives, with one Representative elected from each House District. Representatives are elected to terms of two years. Unlike the Senate, the entire membership of the House is subject to election every even-numbered year. Pursuant to the Ohio Constitution, a person cannot hold the office of Representative for longer than four successive two-year terms.

# **Appropriation Overview**

Under the budget, appropriations for the House total \$24.7 million in FY 2016 and FY 2017. As Table 1 below indicates, over 94%, or \$24.7 million, of the House's budget in each fiscal year is supported by money appropriated from the General Revenue Fund (GRF).

Table 1. Agency Appropriations by Fund Group, FY 2016-FY 2017 (Am. Sub. H.B. 64)							
Fund Group	FY 2015*	FY 2016 % change, FY 2015-FY 201		FY 2017	% change, FY 2016-FY 2017		
General Revenue	\$20,066,347	\$23,272,941	16.0%	\$23,272,941	0.0%		
Internal Service Activity	\$681,537	\$1,471,513 115.9%		\$1,471,513	0.0%		
TOTAL	\$20,747,884	\$24,744,454	19.3%	\$24,744,454	0.0%		

<sup>\*</sup>FY 2015 figures represent actual expenditures.

#### **ANALYSIS OF ENACTED BUDGET**

This section provides an analysis of the funding for each appropriation item in the House's budget. The table below shows the appropriation in each fiscal year of the biennium.

Appropriations for the House of Representatives							
Fund	ALI and Name		FY 2016	FY 2017			
General Revenue Fund							
GRF	025321	Operating Expenses	\$23,272,941	\$23,272,941			
		General Revenue Fund Subtotal	\$23,272,941	\$23,272,941			
Internal Service Activity Fund Group							
1030	025601	House Reimbursement	\$1,433,664	\$1,433,664			
4A40	025602	Miscellaneous Sales	\$37,849	\$37,849			
Internal Service Activity Fund Group Subtotal			\$1,471,513	\$1,471,513			
Total Funding: House of Representatives			\$24,744,454	\$24,744,454			

## **Operating Expenses (025321)**

Under the budget, the appropriation for this GRF line item in FY 2016 and FY 2017 is \$23.3 million. This appropriation is used mainly to cover the payroll costs and obligations associated with 99 House members, 163 full-time staff, and 80 part-time pages. The budget also contains a temporary law provision requiring the Director of Budget and Management, at the direction of the Clerk of the House, to transfer all, or a portion, of the House's unexpended, unencumbered GRF appropriation from FY 2015 to FY 2016, and similarly, from FY 2016 to FY 2017.

The budget creates the Grace Commission, a joint committee of the General Assembly, to review state expenditures for fiscal year 2015. The House is required to provide meeting space and clerical staff support for the Commission.

# **House Reimbursement (025601)**

This ISA line item is funded through miscellaneous reimbursements, such as refunds from the Department of Administrative Services for overpayment of medical insurance premiums for Representatives; amounts received for the salvage and recycling of equipment, materials, and supplies; and payments from members and staff for incidental use of equipment or facilities. This money is used for the operating expenses of the House. The budget appropriates \$1.4 million to this line item in each fiscal year.

The budget also contains a temporary law provision increasing the line item's appropriation if the Chief Administrative Officer of the House determines that additional amounts are necessary.

### Miscellaneous Sales (025602)

This Internal Service Activity (ISA) line item is funded by money collected by the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer of the House from the sale of flags, insignia, seals, frames for resolutions, and similar items. This money will be used to pay for the costs of procuring these items for resale.

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# **FY 2016 - FY 2017 Final Appropriation Amounts**

# **All Fund Groups**

Line It	tem Detai	l by Agency			Appropriation	FY 2015 to FY 2016	Appropriation	FY 2016 to FY 2017
			FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	% Change	FY 2017	% Change
Repor	rt For Ma	in Operating Appropriations Bill	,	Version: As Enacted				
REP	House of	Representatives						
GRF	025321	Operating Expenses	\$ 19,526,505	\$ 20,066,347	\$ 23,272,941	15.98%	\$ 23,272,941	0.00%
General Revenue Fund Total			\$ 19,526,505	\$ 20,066,347	\$ 23,272,941	15.98%	\$ 23,272,941	0.00%
1030	025601	House Reimbursement	\$ 360,618	\$ 654,147	\$ 1,433,664	119.17%	\$ 1,433,664	0.00%
4A40	025602	Miscellaneous Sales	\$ 37,545	\$ 27,390	\$ 37,849	38.18%	\$ 37,849	0.00%
Internal Service Activity Fund Group Total		\$ 398,163	\$ 681,537	\$ 1,471,513	115.91%	\$ 1,471,513	0.00%	
House	of Represen	tatives Total	\$ 19,924,668	\$ 20,747,884	\$ 24,744,454	19.26%	\$ 24,744,454	0.00%