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LBO Analysis of Enacted Budget

Ohio House of Representatives

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Quick look...

- ➤ The 99-member Ohio House of Representatives, in conjunction with the Ohio Senate, enacts laws to provide for the operation of government and promote the peace, health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- ➤ The budget appropriates \$31.7 million in each fiscal year over the FY 2024-FY 2025 biennium, 95.3% of which is drawn from the GRF.

Fund Group	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
General Revenue	\$24,685,387	\$25,195,192	\$30,250,000	\$30,250,000
Internal Service Activity	\$71,908	\$755,345	\$1,483,664	\$1,483,664
Total	\$24,757,295	\$25,950,537	\$31,733,664	\$31,733,664
% change		4.8%	22.3%	0.0%
GRF % change		2.1%	20.1%	0.0%

Overview

The legislative branch of the state of Ohio includes the General Assembly, which is composed of two chambers: the 99-member House of Representatives and the 33-member Senate. 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 99 members of the House of Representatives are elected every even-numbered year and cannot hold office for longer than four successive two-year terms. In addition to the members, the House of Representatives employs an administrative staff numbering 169 and a cohort of 38 pages.

Analysis of FY 2024-FY 2025 budget

The budget of the House of Representatives is almost entirely supported by GRF funding, with \$60.5 million (95.3%) of total funding for the FY 2024-FY 2025 biennium coming from that source. The remainder, or approximately \$3.0 million (4.7%), is funded by proceeds of various reimbursements, salvaged and recycled equipment and supplies, and sales of flags, insignia, and other such items deposited into Internal Service Activity funds. The House's funding is appropriated to the three line items described in more detail below.

Operati	ing Expen	ses (ALI	025321)
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FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 025321, Operating Expenses					
\$23,399,553	\$23,601,693	\$24,685,387	\$25,195,192	\$30,250,000	\$30,250,000
% change	0.9%	4.6%	2.1%	20.1%	0.0%

This ALI is used mainly to cover the payroll costs and obligations associated with 99 House members, 169 administrative staff, and 38 part-time pages. The budget also contains a temporary law provision, continued from previous budgets, requiring the Office of Budget and Management (OBM) Director, at the direction of the Chief Administrative Officer of the House, to transfer all, or a portion, of the House's unexpended, unencumbered GRF appropriation from FY 2023 to FY 2024, and similarly, from FY 2024 to FY 2025.

House of Representatives Reimbursement (ALI 025601)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
Fund 1030 ALI 025601, House of Representatives Reimbursement					
\$380,640	\$218,891	\$45,437	\$707,353	\$1,433,664	\$1,433,664
% change	-42.5%	-79.2%	145.7%	102.7%	0.0%

This ALI is funded through miscellaneous reimbursements, such as refunds from the Department of Administrative Services for overpayments 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 the operating expenses of the House. The budget for the FY 2024-FY 2025 biennium contains a temporary law provision, as it has in previous biennia, automatically increasing the appropriation if the Chief Administrative Officer of the House determines that additional amounts are necessary.

Miscellaneous Sales (ALI 025602)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation	
Fund 4A40 ALI 025602, Miscellaneous Sales						
\$36,470	\$2,254	\$26,471	\$47,993	\$50,000	\$50,000	
% change	-93.8%	1,074.4%	81.3%	4.2%	0.0%	

This line item is funded by money collected from the sale of flags, insignia, seals, frames for resolutions, and similar items. This money is used to pay the costs of procuring these items for resale.

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