

Redbook

LBO Analysis of Executive Budget Proposal

Office of the Governor

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Office of the Governor

Quick look...

- The Office of the Governor oversees the operations of state government; the Governor is the chief executive officer of the state, elected to a four-year term.
- The Governor’s major duties include formulating and implementing administrative policy for state agencies, submitting biennial capital and operating budgets, and appointing judges, agency directors, and board and commission members, and serving as commander-in-chief of the Ohio National Guard.
- The Office of the Governor directly employs a staff of 36, 33 of which are full-time permanent employees. Three additional full-time permanent employees are expected to be added in FY 2024.
- The executive budget recommends funding of \$3.9 million in each of FY 2024 and FY 2025.
 - Sources of the budget: GRF (83%); fees charged to executive branch agencies (17%).
 - Expenses: approximately 88% of the budget is proposed for personal services (payroll), 8% for supplies, maintenance, and equipment, and nearly 5% for purchased personal services.

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Estimate	FY 2024 Introduced	FY 2025 Introduced
GRF ALI 040321, Operating Expenses					
\$2,985,708	\$2,367,690	\$2,874,033	\$3,095,179	\$3,218,986	\$3,218,986
% change	-20.7%	21.4%	7.7%	4.0%	0.0%
Fund 5AK0 ALI 040607, Governmental Relations					
\$572,573	\$409,942	\$779,505	\$637,306	\$622,798	\$622,798
% change	-28.4%	90.2%	-18.2%	4.0%	0.0%
Total funding:					
\$3,558,281	\$2,777,632	\$3,653,538	\$3,732,485	\$3,881,784	\$3,881,784
% change	-21.9%	31.5%	2.2%	4.0%	0.0%

Analysis of FY 2024-FY 2025 budget proposal

The Office of the Governor’s budget contains two appropriation line items (ALIs). The preceding table shows actual expenditures from these ALIs for FY 2020 through FY 2022, estimated expenditures for FY 2023, and recommended appropriations for FY 2024 and FY 2025.

Of the Office’s FY 2024-FY 2025 biennial budget, 83% is funded with GRF appropriated to ALI 040321, Operating Expenses. The remaining 17% is supported by fees assessed to executive branch agencies and deposited into the Governmental Relations Fund (Fund 5AK0), and appropriated to ALI 040607, Governmental Relations. That ALI pays for the costs of presenting

the interests of Ohio to federal and local governments and membership dues for Ohio’s participation in regional and national associations.

Executive recommendations by expense category

The chart below shows the \$7.8 million proposed budget for the biennium by expense category. As shown, approximately 87.8% of the Governor’s Office budget is allocated for personal services (payroll and staffing costs). Another 7.6% is allocated for supplies, maintenance, and equipment, and the remaining 4.6% is allocated for purchased personal services.

