# Greenbook LBO Analysis of Enacted Budget

## **Board of Deposit**

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### **Board of Deposit**

### Quick look...

- ➤ The Ohio Board of Deposit (BDP), contained in the Office of the Treasurer of State (TOS), designates financial institutions to function as public depositories, manages contracts with those institutions, and regulates deposits of state moneys.
- BDP employs no staff and receives no GRF funding.
- The enacted budget appropriates approximately \$1.7 million per year and is used to pay bank fees and other costs necessary to maintain the state's regular bank account and other public banking needs. A small portion of expenditures pays for personal services provided by TOS.

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation		
Fund 4M20 ALI 974601, Board of Deposit							
\$1,246,687	\$519,976	\$381,658	\$658,683	\$1,688,400	\$1,688,400		
% change	-58.3%	-26.6%	72.6%	156.3%	0.0%		

### **Agency overview**

The State Board of Deposit (BDP) is composed of three elected officials or designees of these officials: the Treasurer of State (TOS), the Auditor of State, and the Attorney General. The TOS or the TOS's representative serves as the Board's chairperson. The TOS is required to designate a TOS departmental employee to serve as the secretary of the Board. Beginning in July 2025, the designation period is four years.

The Board's major functions are to designate qualified financial institutions and banks to serve as public depositories, to regulate the deposits of state money into these institutions, to approve bank service charges and bank earnings credits, and to confirm the designation and investment of interim moneys of the state.

The Board has no employees, but the staff of the Treasurer of State provides some support for BDP.

### Analysis of FY 2026-FY 2027 budget

The enacted budget appropriates approximately \$1.7 million each year for FY 2026 and FY 2027. Over 99% of this funding is to pay for banking charges and fees required for the operation of the Treasurer's regular bank account. A small portion of funding, \$14,000 per fiscal year, is to pay for support services provided by TOS staff.

The State Board of Deposit (BDP) uses no GRF moneys. Language in the enacted budget requires the Director of Budget and Management to make transfers to pay for expenses

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necessary for the operation of BDP and the state of Ohio Regular Account. Expenditures are made from the Board of Deposit Expense Fund (Fund 4M20), which receives transfers of cash from the Investment Earnings Redistribution Fund (Fund 6080) after certification of the Board's expenses.

The enacted budget requires BDP to adopt a resolution authorizing the use of financial transaction devices for the collection, receipt, and acceptance of a broader range of state revenue, including charges, tolls, restitution, judgments, gifts, donations, and bequests. The resolution must designate TOS as the administrative agent responsible for soliciting proposals for financial transaction device services, assisting with the implementation of settlement programs. It must apply to both treasury accounts and accounts in the custody of TOS outside the state treasury. The enacted budget eliminates several procedural and administrative requirements, such as proposal review requirements and notice obligations and allows the agent to enter multiple contracts. It also shifts authority over surcharges and fees to individual state officials and changes liability protections to exclude state entities but include elected officials and their staff.

#### **Board of Deposit (ALI 974601)**

This line item provides for expenses necessary for BDP to operate and covers banking charges and fees accrued through operation of the bank accounts mentioned above. The enacted budget appropriates \$1.7 million each for FY 2026 and FY 2027, approximately \$1.0 million higher than the actual expenditure in FY 2025. Funding for this line item comes from transfers from Fund 6080.

Each month, the Board's chairperson is required to provide a report on the state of interim moneys invested in public institutions, and a separate report on expenses incurred in maintaining accounts with public depositories. The reports are posted on BDP's website, which is maintained by TOS.

Staff work with financial institutions to encourage participation as public depositories, manage contracts with participants, and ensure contract compliance on behalf of BDP and TOS. As of August 1, 2025, a total of 134 financial institutions throughout the state were designated by the Board as public depositories for state funds.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A list of depository financial institutions is available on the TOS website (visited August 1, 2025).