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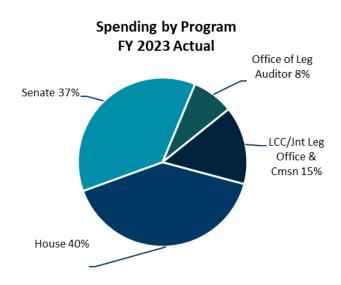
AT A GLANCE

- The constitution provides that the Legislature may meet up to 120 days during a two-year period.
- For the 23-24 biennial legislative session 5,488 bills were introduced in the House, and 5,535 bills were introduced in the Senate. Of those, 127 bills were presented to the governor for signing and 126 were fully enacted and one was vetoed.

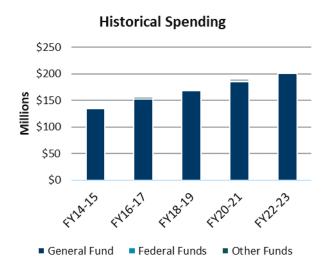
PURPOSE

The legislature is one of three branches of state government (the others being the executive and judicial branches) created by the constitution of the State of Minnesota. The legislative branch is responsible for the enactment and revision of state laws, establishing a state budget and tax policy, electing regents of the University of Minnesota, overseeing the work of state government, as well as proposing amendments to the state constitution. The Minnesota legislature consists of two bodies: the House of Representatives and the Senate. In addition, the House and Senate have created joint legislative offices and commissions under the fiscal and administrative oversight of the Legislative Coordinating Commission.

BUDGET



Source: Budget Planning & Analysis System (BPAS)



Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

The Minnesota House of Representatives and the Minnesota Senate are established under Article 4, Section 1 (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/constitution) of the Minnesota Constitution. Primary statutory citations regarding operations and legal authority for the joint offices and commissions of the Minnesota Legislature can be found in M.S. 3 (www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/3)

Agency Expenditure Overview

	Actual	Actual Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast I	Base
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Expenditures by Fund						
1000 - General	97,571	102,942	114,806	153,217	132,378	132,242
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	95	110	381	1,000	585	383
2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue			306	409	405	405
2050 - Environment & Natural Resources	763	774	1,015	4,211		
2300 - Outdoor Heritage	560	558	628	1,646		
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage	5	0	2	7		
2302 - Clean Water	9	1	4	11		
2303 - Parks and Trails	4	0	2	5		
4925 - Family and Medical Benefit Ins				18		
6000 - Miscellaneous Agency	397	296				
Total	99,404	104,682	117,143	160,524	133,368	133,030
Biennial Change				73,582		(11,269)
Biennial % Change				36		(4)
Expenditures by Program House of Representatives	39,953	42,205	47,036	56,785	48,963	48,963
Senate	37,454	38,933	41,611	43,893	43,845	43,845
Legislative Coordinating Commission	14,235	15,412	18,860	44,548	28,784	28,446
Legislative Audit Commission	7,763	8,133	9,636	15,298	11,776	11,776
Total	99,404	104,682	117,143	160,524	133,368	133,030
Expenditures by Category						
Compensation	39,315	40,251	46,251	50,343	46,160	45,776
Operating Expenses	59,269	63,548	70,049	98,833	80,734	80,648
Capital Outlay-Real Property	319	627	328	5,050	2,550	2,650
Other Financial Transaction	500	255	516	6,298	3,924	3,956
Total	99,404	104,682	117,143	160,524	133,368	133,030
Full-Time Equivalents	364.57	381.37	388.83	415.34	403.84	399.84

Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast	Base	
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27	
1000 - General							
Balance Forward In	27,135	29,330	27,097	66,076	36,523	27,445	
Direct Appropriation	99,247	100,502	153,580	123,393	123,093	123,093	
Transfers In	1,836	8,328	333	21,307	207	207	
Transfers Out	1,319	8,121	126	21,036			
Balance Forward Out	29,328	27,097	66,078	36,523	27,445	18,503	
Expenditures	97,571	102,942	114,806	153,217	132,378	132,242	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				67,511		(3,403)	
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				34		(1)	
Full-Time Equivalents	354.81	371.28	376.33	400.34	399.84	396.84	
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue							
Balance Forward In	299	304	327	819	202		
Receipts			261	250	250	250	
Transfers In	100	199	613	133	133	133	
Transfers Out		66					
Balance Forward Out	304	327	819	202			
Expenditures	95	110	381	1,000	585	383	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				1,177		(413	
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				576		(30	
Full-Time Equivalents	0.14	0.15	2.44	3.00	4.00	3.00	
2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue Balance Forward In			81	64	274	274	
Receipts			288	405	405	405	
Transfers In		81		214			
Balance Forward Out		81	64	274	274	274	
Expenditures			306	409	405	405	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				715		95	

2050 - Environment & Natural Resources

Biennial % Change in Expenditures

Balance Forward In	2,124	3,549	1,678	2,939		
Direct Appropriation	1,985		2,902	1,821	0	0

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Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26 FY27
Transfers In	202	579			
Transfers Out		1,674	538	549	
Cancellations		1	89		
Balance Forward Out	3,549	1,678	2,939		
Expenditures	763	774	1,015	4,211	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				3,689	(5,226
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				240	(100
Full-Time Equivalents	5.56	5.64	6.06	8.00	
2300 - Outdoor Heritage					
Balance Forward In	993	982	981	991	
Direct Appropriation	549	557	637	655	0 (
Transfers In		1			
Transfers Out		1			
Balance Forward Out	982	981	990		
Expenditures	560	558	628	1,646	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				1,156	(2,274
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				103	(100
Full-Time Equivalents	4.06	4.30	4.00	4.00	
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage					
Balance Forward In	7	5	5	7	
Direct Appropriation	4		4		
Balance Forward Out	5	5	7		
Expenditures	5	0	2	7	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				3	(9
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				60	(100
2302 - Clean Water					
	11	9	9	11	
2302 - Clean Water Balance Forward In Direct Appropriation	11 8	9	9 6	11	

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Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base	
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Biennial Change in Expenditures				5		(15)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				47		(100)

2303 - Parks and Trails

Balance Forward In	5	4	4	5	
Direct Appropriation	4		3		
Balance Forward Out	4	4	5		
Expenditures	4	0	2	5	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				2	(7)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				44	(100)

4925 - Family and Medical Benefit Ins

Direct Appropriation	18	0	0
Expenditures	18		
Biennial Change in Expenditures	18		(18)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			

6000 - Miscellaneous Agency

Balance Forward In	331	279	214	214	
Receipts	346	313			
Transfers Out		81		214	
Balance Forward Out	279	214	214		
Expenditures	397	296			
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(694)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(100)	

	FY25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
Direct				
Fund: 1000 - General				
FY2025 Appropriations	123,393	123,393	123,393	246,786
Base Adjustments				
All Other One-Time Appropriations		(400)	(400)	(800)
Current Law Base Change		100	100	200
Forecast Base	123,393	123,093	123,093	246,186
Fund: 2050 - Environment & Natural Resources				
FY2025 Appropriations	1,821	1,821	1,821	3,642
Base Adjustments				
All Other One-Time Appropriations		(1,821)	(1,821)	(3,642)
Forecast Base	1,821			
Fund: 2300 - Outdoor Heritage				
FY2025 Appropriations	655	655	655	1,310
Base Adjustments				
One-Time Legacy Fund Appropriations		(655)	(655)	(1,310)
Forecast Base	655			
Fund: 4925 - Family and Medical Benefit Ins				
FY2025 Appropriations	18	18	18	36
Base Adjustments				
All Other One-Time Appropriations		(18)	(18)	(36)
Forecast Base	18			
Dedicated				
Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue				
Planned Spending	1,000	585	383	968
Forecast Base	1,000	585	383	968
Fund: 2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue				
Planned Spending	409	405	405	810
Forecast Base	409	405	405	810
Revenue Change Summary				
Dedicated				
Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue				

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Agency Change Summary

	FY25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
Forecast Revenues	250	250	250	500
Fund: 2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue				
Forecast Revenues	405	405	405	810
Non-Dedicated				
Fund: 1000 - General				
Forecast Revenues	3	3	3	6

Program: House of Representatives

www.house.mn.gov

AT A GLANCE

- 134 representatives compose the Minnesota House of Representatives.
- Representatives serve 2-year terms.

PURPOSE AND CONTEXT

There are 134 members of the House of Representatives (<u>www.house.mn.gov/</u>). Each member represents a geographical area of the state and is elected by the voters of the district every two years.

The DFL Caucus (www.house.mn.gov/caucuses.asp) and the Republican Caucus (www.house.mn.gov/caucuses.asp) departments each provide legislative services to their respective members. Services provided include legislative management, member administrative support, committee administration and support services, constituent and communication/media services, and caucus research services.

The Chief Clerk's Office (www.house.mn.gov/cco/cco.asp) provides assistance and advice to the speaker and members of the House of Representatives in meeting the legal and parliamentary requirements of the lawmaking process and to record the history of that process in a clear, unbiased, and accurate manner. The chief clerk, first and second assistant clerks, index clerk, and chaplain are elected officers of the house. The Chief Clerk's Office is responsible for all computer technology functions in the House, such as managing a secure local area network, managing numerous application programs and coordinating computer support for all house staff.

The House Research Department (www.house.mn.gov/hrd/hrd.aspx) provides research and legal services to the house and its members and committees. The work of House Research focuses on legislative decision-making: helping house members and committees develop and evaluate government policies and laws. The department is an agency of the House of Representatives as a whole, rather than a committee or caucus. House Research provides nonpartisan, confidential services to all members of the house without regard to partisan affiliation or legislative position. The department strives to be politically neutral and impartial on issues. Its staff does not advocate, endorse, promote, or oppose legislation or legislative decision.

The Fiscal Analysis Department (www.house.mn.gov/fiscal/fahome.asp) provides professional, nonpartisan, and confidential services for all members of the House of Representatives, and provides assistance to the house finance and tax committees on state budgetary and fiscal legislation. Department staff analyzes spending requests, aid committees in developing and analyzing budgetary options, draft legislation to implement budget decisions, track legislative decisions, and provide analysis for legislative oversight of enacted budgets. Fiscal analysts respond to requests from individual members needing analyses or information on state budgetary issues or government finances. The Fiscal Analysis Department researches, prepares, and distributes publications providing information on state budget issues and government finances.

The nonpartisan House Public Information Services Department (www.house.mn.gov/hinfo/hinfo.asp) is a primary contact point to help the public connect to the Legislature. The mission of the department is to provide credible and timely nonpartisan services that inform the public of legislative action, educate about the legislative process and encourage public participation. The department produces and distributes the Session Daily online news service, committee rosters, member and state/federal office lists, legislative directories, and other publications that explain the state's symbols, governmental structure and lawmaking process. It provides photography services for members. The department creates and distributes unedited, gavel-to-gavel television coverage of all House

floor sessions, committee hearings, select press conferences, and provides informational and educational programming. Each legislative session, programming is broadcast, in conjunction with the Senate, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the digital Minnesota Channel, which is available statewide on Minnesota's public television stations. Live webcasting and video archives of all House television programming is also available.

The House Budget & Accounting Department and Human Resources Department perform the financial and human resources functions for the house. Financial functions include accounting, budgeting, staff and member payroll, accounts payable, and expense reimbursements. Human Resources functions include compensation and benefit administration, personnel policy development and communication, timecard and leave administration and house staffing management.

The Sergeant-At-Arms Office (www.house.mn.gov/sergeant/sergeant.asp) provides professional, nonpartisan, support staff, parking, facility management, telephone system management, supply and equipment purchases, security, mail room, duplication and printing, and educational program services for members, staff, and the public. The chief sergeant, assistant sergeants, postmaster, and assistant postmaster are elected by house members as officers of the house. Pages serve as temporary support staff for all house and conference committee hearings and aid all departments in accomplishing their duties.

The Minnesota House of Representatives is established under Article 4, Section 1 (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/constitution) of the Minnesota Constitution. Primary statutory citations regarding House operations can be found in M.S. 3 (www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes)

House of Representatives

Program Expenditure Overview

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Expenditures by Fund						
1000 - General	39,580	41,917	46,730	56,358	48,558	48,558
2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue			306	409	405	405
4925 - Family and Medical Benefit Ins				18		
6000 - Miscellaneous Agency	373	288				
Total	39,953	42,205	47,036	56,785	48,963	48,963
Biennial Change				21,663		(5,895)
Biennial % Change				26		(6)
Expenditures by Activity						
House of Representatives	39,953	42,205	47,036	56,785	48,963	48,963
Total	39,953	42,205	47,036	56,785	48,963	48,963
Expenditures by Category						
Operating Expenses	39,953	42,205	47,036	56,785	48,963	48,963
Total	39,953	42,205	47,036	56,785	48,963	48,963

Program Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
1000 - General						
Balance Forward In	7,620	7,971	6,485	7,800		
Direct Appropriation	39,932	40,431	48,046	48,558	48,558	48,558
Transfers In		792				
Transfers Out		792				
Balance Forward Out	7,971	6,485	7,801			
Expenditures	39,580	41,917	46,730	56,358	48,558	48,558
Biennial Change in Expenditures				21,591		(5,972)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				26		(6)

2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue

2001 Other Wise Special Revenue					
Balance Forward In		81	64	60	60
Receipts		288	405	405	405
Transfers In	81				
Balance Forward Out	81	64	60	60	60
Expenditures		306	409	405	405
Biennial Change in Expenditures			715		95
Biennial % Change in Expenditures					13

4925 - Family and Medical Benefit Ins

Direct Appropriation	18	0	0
Expenditures	18		
Biennial Change in Expenditures	18		(18)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			

6000 - Miscellaneous Agency

Balance Forward In	114	87		
Receipts	346	282		
Transfers Out		81		
Balance Forward Out	87			
Expenditures	373	288		
Biennial Change in Expenditures			(661)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			(100)	

Program: Senate

www.senate.mn

AT A GLANCE

- 67 senators compose the Minnesota State Senate.
- Senators serve 4-year terms.

PURPOSE AND CONTEXT

There are 67 members of the Minnesota State Senate (www.senate.mn). Each member represents a geographical area of the state and is elected by the voters of their district every four years. In addition to the functions listed under agency purpose for the Minnesota Legislature, the Senate also has the responsibility to advise and consent to the governor's appointments.

The Minnesota State Senate include the Majority and Minority caucuses, the office of the Secretary of the Senate and Senate Council and Fiscal Analysis.

The Republican Caucus (www.senate.mn/caucus) support their members for committee assignments and structural organization, via administrative support, committee administration, constituent communication and research services.

The office of the Secretary of the Senate (www.senate.mn/departments/office_bio.html) includes:

- Engrossing is responsible for producing all committee reports for the Senate during the legislative session.
- The Front Desk ensures that the Senate functions smoothly and conforms to Senate Rules and the constitutional and statutory provisions that relate to the mechanics of enacting legislation.
- Human Resources provides services to Senate members and staff with recruiting, hiring, and employee relations.
- Senate Index provides information via the Internet concerning the content, status and progress of bills before the Senate.
- Journal Production publishes the daily and permanent Journal of the Senate.
- Media Services produces television programs, web-based media and photographs to provide transparency
 of Senate and legislative activities.
- Printing and Purchasing maintains multi-functional printers and copiers throughout the Capitol and Senate buildings.
- Senate Information staff handle the production and distribution of Senate publications, as well as public inquiries.
- Senate Sergeant at Arms provides a wide variety of security and administrative services to the Minnesota Senate members and staff.
- Fiscal Services operates the financial infrastructure of the Minnesota Senate.
- Senate Information Systems is responsible for the operation, installation and coordination of the Senate's information technology infrastructure.

The office of Senate Counsel, Research and Fiscal Analysis (www.senate.mn/departments/scrfa) provides nonpartisan professional staff services to each Senator, including bill drafting, committee and floor amendment drafting, budget tracking and fiscal note development.

The Minnesota Senate is established under Article 4, Section 1 (www.revisor.mn.gov/constitution/) of the Minnesota Constitution. Primary statutory citations regarding Senate operations can be found in M.S. 3 (www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes)

Program Expenditure Overview

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base	
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Expenditures by Fund		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
1000 - General	37,429	38,924	41,611	43,893	43,845	43,845
6000 - Miscellaneous Agency	24	9				
Total	37,454	38,933	41,611	43,893	43,845	43,845
Biennial Change				9,118		2,186
Biennial % Change				12		3
Expenditures by Activity						
Senate	37,454	38,933	41,611	43,893	43,845	43,845
Total	37,454	38,933	41,611	43,893	43,845	43,845
Expenditures by Category						
Compensation	20,966	21,131	23,101	20,000	20,000	20,000
Operating Expenses	16,488	17,801	18,510	23,893	23,845	23,845
Total	37,454	38,933	41,611	43,893	43,845	43,84
Full-Time Equivalents	214.73	217.97	215.69	215.69	215.69	215.69

Biennial % Change in Expenditures

Program Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
1000 - General						
Balance Forward In	11,290	11,292	9,913	9,347	9,299	9,299
Direct Appropriation	37,430	37,545	41,045	43,845	43,845	43,845
Transfers In		1,955				
Transfers Out		1,955				
Balance Forward Out	11,290	9,913	9,347	9,299	9,299	9,299
Expenditures	37,429	38,924	41,611	43,893	43,845	43,845
Biennial Change in Expenditures				9,151		2,186
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				12		3
Full-Time Equivalents	214.73	217.97	215.69	215.69	215.69	215.69
2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue						
Balance Forward In					214	214
Balance Forward In Transfers In				214	214	
Balance Forward In				214	214	
Balance Forward In Transfers In						
Balance Forward In Transfers In						
Balance Forward In Transfers In Balance Forward Out	217	192	214			
Balance Forward In Transfers In Balance Forward Out 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency	217	192	214	214		
Balance Forward In Transfers In Balance Forward Out 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency Balance Forward In	217		214	214		
Balance Forward In Transfers In Balance Forward Out 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency Balance Forward In Receipts	217		214	214		
Balance Forward In Transfers In Balance Forward Out 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency Balance Forward In Receipts Transfers Out		30		214		214

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Program: Legislative Coordinating Commission

www.commissions.leg.state.mn.us

AT A GLANCE

- The Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC) is comprised of nonpartisan joint offices and commissions of the Minnesota Legislature.
- Joint offices and commissions provide services to the Minnesota House of Representatives and the Minnesota Senate.

PURPOSE AND CONTEXT

The House and Senate have created nonpartisan joint legislative offices and commissions under the fiscal and administrative oversight of the Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC) (www.lcc.mn.gov/members) comprised of members of the House of Representatives and the Minnesota Senate.

The LCC office (<u>www.lcc.mn.gov</u>) serves as the umbrella organization for legislative commissions, joint offices, and other boards. Staff within the LCC office:

- conduct research and administrative support to numerous commissions, councils, and task forces (www.commissions.leg.state.mn.us);
- provide administrative, human resources, and fiscal services to joint legislative offices and commissions;
- serve as the repository for statewide boundary information for legislative use, including mapping and data services through the Geographic Information Services Office (www.gis.lcc.mn.gov);
- coordinate accessibility and language services for the legislature; and
- maintain the Minnesota's Legacy (<u>www.legacy.mn.gov</u>) website which displays how funds from the Legacy Amendment and the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund are utilized throughout the state.

The LCC is charged with many other activities that encompass the full legislature such as entering into agreements for television broadcasting of legislative proceedings and serving as a fiscal agent for multiple functions. The work of the LCC is funded through the general fund as well as special revenue funding for specific purposes. A detailed overview of each of the commissions, councils, and task forces under LCC is available at www.commissions.leg.state.mn.us.

The Legislative Reference Library (www.lrl.mn.gov) was established by the legislature in 1969 as a nonpartisan, joint office. The Library supports the legislative process by providing unbiased research services and information resources to legislators and legislative staff. The Library's collection is focused on public policy materials relevant to the work of state governments. As the state government document depository, the Library's collection includes state documents and consultants' reports, with particular attention paid to collecting reports mandated by the legislature. The Library's collection also includes primary legislative materials, including House and Senate committee minutes and audio and video recordings, and over 350 current periodicals and newspapers. To preserve the history of the legislature, the Library creates unique print and online collections of articles, documents, and data about sessions, members, and lawmaking in Minnesota. The Library also maintains a biographical database of all legislators who have served in Minnesota, from territorial times to the present.

The Office of the Revisor of Statutes (www.revisor.mn.gov) provides drafting, editing, publication, and information systems/technology services to members of both houses of the legislature as well as constitutional offices, state agencies and departments. Drafting services are provided on a confidential, nonpartisan basis, and include bills, amendments, committee reports, engrossments, and enrolled acts presented to the governor, plus administrative rules. The office is the official publisher of Laws of Minnesota, Minnesota Statutes, and Minnesota Rules, both in print and electronically, and has provided national leadership in accessibility, authentication, and preservation of online legal material. The Revisor's information systems/technology unit provides and maintains a drafting software system used by offices across the legislature, core telephone and internet infrastructure services for the legislature, and the systems used for print and electronic publication of Minnesota law.

The Legislative Budget Office (LBO) (www.lbo.mn.gov) provides the house of representatives and senate with objective, reasonable, and timely information on the fiscal impact of proposed legislation, without regard to political factors. This work includes unbiased oversight for fiscal note and local impact note development in response to requests received from the Minnesota Legislature. The LBO is responsible for the review and analysis of agency provided fiscal notes to ensure compliance with Fiscal Note Uniform Standards and Procedures (https://www.lbo.mn.gov/fn/documentation/LBOUSP.pdf) as required under Minn. Stat. § 3.8853 (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/3.8853). The Legislative Budget Office is also charged with providing professional and technical support to the Tax Expenditure Review Commission (TERC) as established under Minn. Stat. § 3.8855 (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/3.8855). The TERC is required to review tax expenditures in statute and evaluate their effectiveness and fiscal impact. The TERC provides an annual report to the legislature with their evaluations and recommendations for a subset of tax expenditures.

The Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement (www.lcpr.mn.gov), a bipartisan, bicameral group of 14 legislators, meets regularly during the legislative session to consider, take testimony, and make recommendations regarding proposed legislation relating to pension and retirement benefits for public employees and the State's pension and retirement plans. The Commission reviews the annual actuarial valuations and periodic experience studies of the State's public pension plans, monitors the sufficiency of plan funding, and recommends adjustments to actuarial assumptions and contribution rates. The Commission conducts studies of a variety of other retirement-related topics, including volunteer firefighter retirement benefits, trends in retiree cost of living adjustments, pension reform, and federal law changes affecting retirement benefits.

The Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) (www.lccmr.mn.gov) advises the legislature and provides oversight on the spending of certain environment and natural resources funding sources, primarily the constitutionally dedicated Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF). The purpose of the lottery-generated ENRTF is to provide a long-term, consistent, and stable source of funding for projects that protect, conserve, preserve, and enhance Minnesota's air, water, land, fish, wildlife, and other natural resources for the benefit of current citizens and future generations.

The Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council (LSOHC) (www.lsohc.mn.gov) recommends appropriations of funding from the Outdoor Heritage Fund to the legislature. The LSOHC ensures that recommendations are consistent with the Constitution and state law and that they will achieve the outcomes of natural resource plans, including the Minnesota Conservation and Preservation Plan, directly related to the restoration, protection, and enhancement of wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife. Recommendations may also include funding of programs for preventing forest fragmentation, encouraging forest consolidation, and expanding restored native prairie.

Legal authority for the LCC: M.S. 3 (www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes)

Program Expenditure Overview

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Expenditures by Fund						
1000 - General	12,798	13,968	17,101	38,350	28,449	28,313
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	95	110	108	318	335	133
2050 - Environment & Natural Resources	763	774	1,015	4,211		
2300 - Outdoor Heritage	560	558	628	1,646		
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage	5	0	2	7		
2302 - Clean Water	9	1	4	11		
2303 - Parks and Trails	4	0	2	5		
Total	14,235	15,412	18,860	44,548	28,784	28,446
Biennial Change				33,762		(6,178)
Biennial % Change				114		(10)
Expenditures by Activity Legislative Coordinating Comm Lessard Sams Outdoor Heritage Leg Citizens Comm MN Resources	12,922 551 762	14,081 557 773	17,221 624 1,014	38,709 1,630 4,209	28,784	28,446
Total	14,235	15,412	18,860	44,548	28,784	28,446
Expenditures by Category Compensation	11,249	11,723	14,277	19,385	15,543	15,035
Operating Expenses	2,201	2,816	3,763	15,641	6,767	6,805
Capital Outlay-Real Property	319	627	328	3,850	2,550	2,650
Other Financial Transaction	465	245	491	5,672	3,924	3,956
Total	14,235	15,412	18,860	44,548	28,784	28,446
Full-Time Equivalents	94.02	102.98	110.22	128.05	116.55	112.55

Program Financing by Fund

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase	
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27	
1000 - General							
Balance Forward In	5,916	7,630	8,579	45,713	27,098	18,020	
Direct Appropriation	13,996	14,709	54,030	19,464	19,164	19,164	
Transfers In	527	4,255	207	21,307	207	207	
Transfers Out	10	4,048		21,036			
Balance Forward Out	7,630	8,579	45,714	27,098	18,020	9,078	
Expenditures	12,798	13,968	17,101	38,350	28,449	28,313	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				28,685		1,311	
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				107		2	
Full-Time Equivalents	84.26	92.89	99.77	116.05	115.55	112.55	
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue							
Balance Forward In	299	304	327	387	202		
Receipts			36				
Transfers In	100	199	133	133	133	133	
Transfers Out		66					
Balance Forward Out	304	327	388	202			
Expenditures	95	110	108	318	335	133	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				222		42	
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				109		10	
Full-Time Equivalents	0.14	0.15	0.39		1.00		
2050 - Environment & Natural Resor		3.540	1.670	2.020			
	2,124	3,549	1,678	2,939	0	^	
Direct Appropriation	1,985	570	2,902	1,821	0	0	
Transfers In	202	579	500				
Transfers Out		1,674	538	549			
Cancellations		1	89				
Balance Forward Out	3,549	1,678	2,939				
Expenditures	763	774	1,015	4,211			
Biennial Change in Expenditures				3,689		(5,226)	
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				240		(100)	
Full-Time Equivalents	5.56	5.64	6.06	8.00			

Program Financing by Fund

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26 FY27
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2300 - Outdoor Heritage Balance Forward In	993	982	981	991	
Direct Appropriation	549	557	637	655	0
Transfers In	549		057	055	U
		1			
Transfers Out		1			
Balance Forward Out	982	981	990		
Expenditures	560	558	628	1,646	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				1,156	(2,274
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				103	(100
Full-Time Equivalents	4.06	4.30	4.00	4.00	
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage					
Balance Forward In	7	5	5	7	
Direct Appropriation	4		4		
Balance Forward Out	5	5	7		
Expenditures	5	0	2	7	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				3	(9
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				60	(100
2302 - Clean Water					
Balance Forward In	11	9	9	11	
Direct Appropriation	8		6		
Balance Forward Out	9	9	11		
Expenditures	9	1	4	11	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				5	(15
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				47	(100
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2303 - Parks and Trails					
Balance Forward In	5	4	4	5	
Direct Appropriation	4		3		
Balance Forward Out	4	4	5		
Expenditures	4	0	2	5	

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Program Financing by Fund

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast I	Base
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Biennial Change in Expenditures				2		(7)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				44		(100)

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AT A GLANCE

- The Office of the Legislative Auditor (OLA) is the auditor of Minnesota state government. It conducts audits, evaluations, and investigations.
- OLA is comparable to the Congressional Government Accountability Office (GAO).

PURPOSE AND CONTEXT

The Office of the Legislative Auditor (<u>www.auditor.leg.state.mn.us</u>) (OLA) is a professional, nonpartisan, audit and evaluation office established in 1973 to strengthen accountability and legislative oversight.

OLA has authority to audit all organizations in the executive and judicial branches of state government, as well as various metropolitan organizations. When state government grants money to or contracts with private organizations, OLA has authority to audit the use of that money as well. In addition, OLA's Program Evaluation Division typically conducts six evaluations of state-funded programs each year, in response to requests from legislators. OLA investigates alleged misuse of public resources and conducts special reviews of issues of legislative concern. OLA has access to all documents and data regardless of classification but may not disclose documents or data classified as not public. OLA is directed by the Legislative Auditor, who is appointed by the Legislative Audit Commission (composed of 12 legislators with equal representation from the House and Senate majority and minority caucuses).

Legal authority for the Minnesota Office of the Legislative Auditor: M.S. 3 (www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/3)

Legislative Audit Commission

Program Expenditure Overview

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Expenditures by Fund						
1000 - General	7,763	8,133	9,364	14,616	11,526	11,520
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue			273	682	250	250
Total	7,763	8,133	9,636	15,298	11,776	11,77
Biennial Change				9,039		(1,382
Biennial % Change				57		(6
Expenditures by Activity						
Legislative Auditor	7,763	8,133	9,636	15,298	11,776	11,770
Total	7,763	8,133	9,636	15,298	11,776	11,770
Expenditures by Category						
Compensation	7,100	7,397	8,873	10,958	10,617	10,74
Operating Expenses	627	726	739	2,514	1,159	1,03
Capital Outlay-Real Property				1,200		
Other Financial Transaction	35	9	24	626		
Total	7,763	8,133	9,636	15,298	11,776	11,776
Full-Time Equivalents	55.82	60.42	62.92	71.60	71.60	71.60

Legislative Audit Commission

Program Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast	Base
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
1000 - General						
Balance Forward In	2,310	2,436	2,121	3,216	126	126
Direct Appropriation	7,889	7,817	10,459	11,526	11,526	11,526
Transfers In	1,309	1,326	126			
Transfers Out	1,309	1,326	126			
Balance Forward Out	2,436	2,121	3,216	126	126	126
Expenditures	7,763	8,133	9,364	14,616	11,526	11,526
Biennial Change in Expenditures				8,084		(928)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				51		(4)
Full-Time Equivalents	55.82	60.42	60.87	68.60	68.60	68.60

2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue

2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue				
Balance Forward In		432		
Receipts	225	250	250	250
Transfers In	480			
Balance Forward Out	432			
Expenditures	273	682	250	250
Biennial Change in Expenditures		955		(455)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(48)
Full-Time Equivalents	2.05	3.00	3.00	3.00