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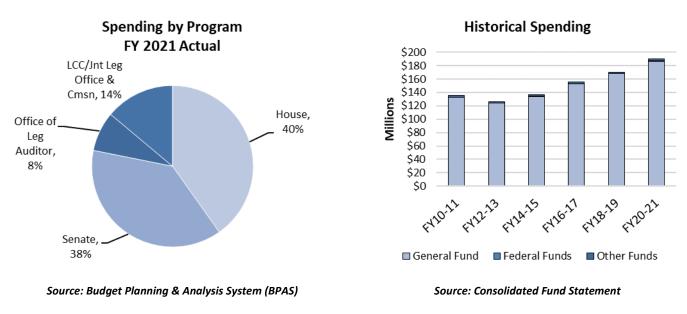
www.leg.state.mn.us

### AT A GLANCE

- The constitution provides that the Legislature may meet up to 120 days during a two-year period.
- For the 21-22 biennial legislative session including 2021 First Special Session, 4,974 bills were introduced in the House, and 4,681 bills were introduced in the Senate. Of those, 113 bills were presented to the governor for signing and were fully enacted.

#### 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

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)

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# Agency Expenditure Overview

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
Expenditures by Fund						
1000 - General	91,042	94,461	97,571	116,001	109,897	103,844
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	235	132	95	326	243	133
2050 - Environment & Natural Resources	751	626	763	3,549		
2300 - Outdoor Heritage	656	582	560	1,540		
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage	1	2	5	5		
2302 - Clean Water	1	3	9	9		
2303 - Parks and Trails	0	1	4	4		
2360 - Health Care Access	316					
2403 - Gift	23					
3010 - Coronavirus Relief	137	755				
6000 - Miscellaneous Agency	337	345	397	320	370	370
Total	93,497	96,906	99,404	121,754	110,510	104,347
Biennial Change				30,754		(6,301)
Biennial % Change				16		(3)
Expenditures by Program						
House of Representatives	39,029	39,129	39,953	44,250	43,037	43,037
Senate	33,596	36,485	37,454	43,687	42,693	37,545
Legislative Coordinating Commission	12,890	13,873	14,235	23,947	16,580	15,948
Legislative Audit Commission	7,983	7,420	7,763	9,870	8,200	7,817
Total	93,497	96,906	99,404	121,754	110,510	104,347
		50,500	55,404	121,734	110,510	104,547
Expenditures by Category		1				
Compensation	36,483	36,510	39,315	45,255	39,485	39,324
Operating Expenses	56,367	60,039	59,269	75,763	69,628	63,826
Capital Outlay-Real Property	438	355	319	485	1,222	1,022
Other Financial Transaction	209	3	500	251	175	175
Total	93,497	96,906	99,404	121,754	110,510	104,347
Full-Time Equivalents	364.56	363.37	364.57	374.22	362.65	361.65

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## Agency Financing by Fund

#### (Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast	Base	
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	
1000 - General							
Balance Forward In	23,481	25,315	27,135	29,328	14,036	4,726	
Direct Appropriation	91,970	95,581	99,247	100,502	100,380	100,431	
Transfers In	710	8,213	1,836	217	217	217	
Transfers Out	10	7,513	1,319	10	10	10	
Cancellations		0					
Balance Forward Out	25,109	27,135	29,328	14,036	4,726	1,520	
Expenditures	91,042	94,461	97,571	116,001	109,897	103,844	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				28,069		169	
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				15		(	
Full-Time Equivalents	355.89	354.11	354.81	363.33	361.51	361.53	
Balance Forward In	356	281	299	303	110		
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue							
Receipts	10						
Transfers In	150	222	100	133	133	133	
Transfers Out		72					
Balance Forward Out	281	299	304	110			
Expenditures	235	132	95	326	243	133	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				53		(45	
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				15		(11	
Full-Time Equivalents	0.51	0.43	0.14	1.14	1.14	0.14	
2050 - Environment & Natural Reso	urces						
Balance Forward In	1,046	1,370	2,124	3,549			
Direct Appropriation	1,403	1,095	1,985				
Transfers In		298	202				
Transfers Out	330	108					
Balance Forward Out	1,368	2,029	3,549				

Full-Time Equivalents

Expenditures

Biennial Change in Expenditures

Biennial % Change in Expenditures

(4,312)

(100)

626

4.82

763

5.56

3,549

2,936

213

5.75

751

4.77

## Agency Financing by Fund

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	mate Forecast Base	
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
2300 - Outdoor Heritage						
Balance Forward In	1,099	1,011	993	983		
Direct Appropriation	560	565	549	557	0	C
Transfers In		68				
Transfers Out		68				
Balance Forward Out	1,003	993	982			
Expenditures	656	582	560	1,540		
Biennial Change in Expenditures				862		(2,100)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				70		(100)
Full-Time Equivalents	3.39	4.01	4.06	4.00		
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage						
Balance Forward In	3	9	7	5		
Direct Appropriation	6		4			
Balance Forward Out	9	7	5			
Expenditures	1	2	5	5		
Biennial Change in Expenditures				8		(10)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				341		(100)
2302 - Clean Water						
Balance Forward In	5	13	11	9		
Direct Appropriation	9		8			
Balance Forward Out	13	11	9			
Expenditures	1	3	9	9		
Biennial Change in Expenditures				15		(18)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				396		(100)
		,				
2303 - Parks and Trails						
Balance Forward In	2	6	5	4		
Direct Appropriation	4		4			
Balance Forward Out	6	5	4			
Expenditures	0	1	4	4		

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### Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base	
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
Biennial Change in Expenditures				7		(8)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				408		(100)

#### 2360 - Health Care Access

Balance Forward In	316		
Expenditures	316		
Biennial Change in Expenditures		(316)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			

#### 2403 - Gift

Balance Forward In	24			
Receipts	0	0		
Transfers Out	2	0		
Expenditures	23			
Biennial Change in Expenditures			(23)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				

#### 3010 - Coronavirus Relief

Direct Appropriation	137	794		
Cancellations		39		
Expenditures	137	755		
Biennial Change in Expenditures			(892)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			(100)	

#### 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency

Balance Forward In	321	330	331	280	280	280
Receipts	346	345	346	320	370	370
Balance Forward Out	330	331	279	280	280	280
Expenditures	337	345	397	320	370	370
Biennial Change in Expenditures				35		23
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				5		3

## Agency Change Summary

### Legislature

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
Direct				
Fund: 1000 - General				
FY2023 Appropriations	100,502	100,502	100,502	201,004
Base Adjustments				
Current Law Base Change		(46)	5	(41)
Program or Agency Sunset		(76)	(76)	(152)
Forecast Base	100,502	100,380	100,431	200,811
Fund: 2300 - Outdoor Heritage				
FY2023 Appropriations	557	557	557	1,114
Base Adjustments				
One-Time Legacy Fund Appropriations		(557)	(557)	(1,114)
Forecast Base	557	0	0	0
Dedicated				
Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue				
Planned Spending	326	243	133	376
Forecast Base	326	243	133	376
Fund: 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency				
Planned Spending	320	370	370	740
Forecast Base	320	370	370	740
Revenue Change Summary				
Dedicated				
Fund: 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency				
Forecast Revenues	320	370	370	740
Non-Dedicated				
Fund: 1000 - General				
Forecast Revenues	3	3	3	6

### **Program: House of Representatives**

#### www.house.leg.state.mn.us

#### 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>(https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us)</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 (https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/caucuses.asp) and the Republican Caucus (http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/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 (<u>https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/cco/cco.asp</u>) 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 to all house staff.

The House Research Department (<u>https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/hrd/hrd.aspx</u>) 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 the issues. Its staff does not advocate, endorse, promote, or oppose legislation or legislative decision.

The Fiscal Analysis Department (<u>https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/fiscal/fahome.asp</u>) 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 House Public Information Services Department (https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/hinfo/hinfo.asp) is a 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 general public of legislative actions, educate the public about the legislative process and encourage public participation in the Minnesota Legislature. The department produces and distributes the Session Daily online news service, committee rosters, member and state/federal office lists, legislative directories, and various publications that explain the state's symbols, governmental structure and

lawmaking process. It provides photography services for members and staff. The department creates and distributes unedited, gavel-to-gavel television coverage of all House floor sessions, select committee hearings, press conferences, and informational and educational programming. Beginning with the start of 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 available on the Internet.

The House Budget & Accounting Department and Human Resources Department performs 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 function includes compensation and benefit administration, personnel policy development and communication, time card and leave administration and house staffing management.

The Sergeant-At-Arms Office (<u>https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/sergeant/sergeant.asp</u>) 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 (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes)

## **Program Expenditure Overview**

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
Expenditures by Fund						
1000 - General	38,524	38,470	39,580	43,930	42,667	42,667
2360 - Health Care Access	64					
3010 - Coronavirus Relief	118	344				
6000 - Miscellaneous Agency	322	315	373	320	370	370
Total	39,029	39,129	39,953	44,250	43,037	43,037
Biennial Change				6,046		1,871
Biennial % Change				8		2
Expenditures by Activity						
House of Representatives	39,029	39,129	39,953	44,250	43,037	43,037
Total	39,029	39,129	39,953	44,250	43,037	43,037
Expenditures by Category						
Operating Expenses	39,029	39,129	39,953	44,250	43,037	43,037
Total	39,029	39,129	39,953	44,250	43,037	43,037

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base	
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
1000 - General						
Balance Forward In	8,337	7,233	7,620	7,971	4,472	2,236
Direct Appropriation	37,420	38,857	39,932	40,431	40,431	40,431
Transfers In		1,514				
Transfers Out		1,514				
Balance Forward Out	7,233	7,620	7,971	4,472	2,236	
Expenditures	38,524	38,470	39,580	43,930	42,667	42,667
Biennial Change in Expenditures				6,516		1,824
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				8		2

#### 2360 - Health Care Access

Balance Forward In	64		
Expenditures	64		
Biennial Change in Expenditures		(64)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			

#### 3010 - Coronavirus Relief

Direct Appropriation	118	383		
Cancellations		39		
Expenditures	118	344		
Biennial Change in Expenditures			(462)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			(100)	

#### 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency

Balance Forward In	98	98	114	87	87	87
Receipts	322	331	346	320	370	370
Balance Forward Out	98	114	87	87	87	87
Expenditures	322	315	373	320	370	370
Expenditures Biennial Change in Expenditures	322	315	373	<b>320</b>	370	<b>370</b> 47

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### 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 (http://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 (<u>http://www.senate.mn/caucus/index.php?ls=#header</u>) and the DFL Caucus (<u>http://www.senate.mn/caucus/index.php?ls=#header</u>) 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 (<u>www.senate.mn/departments/office\_bio.php?office\_id=1005&ls</u>) 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 (<u>www.senate.mn/departments/scrfa</u>) 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 (<u>www.revisor.mn.gov/constitution/</u>) of the Minnesota Constitution. Primary statutory citations regarding Senate operations can be found in M.S. 3 (<u>www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes</u>)

## **Program Expenditure Overview**

FY20	Actual FY21	FY22	Estimate FY23	FY24	FY25
22.046			· · · · · ·		
22.246					
33,310	36,186	37,429	43,687	42,693	37,545
252					
19	268				
14	30	24			
33,596	36,485	37,454	43,687	42,693	37,545
			11,060		(903)
			16		(1)
	1				
33,596	36,485	37,454	43,687	42,693	37,545
33,596	36,485	37,454	43,687	42,693	37,545
19,263	18,923	20,966	22,993	20,400	20,400
14,332	17,562	16,488	20,694	22,293	17,145
33,596	36,485	37,454	43,687	42,693	37,545
208.19	207.93	214.73	214.73	214.73	214.73
	19 14 33,596 33,596 33,596 19,263 14,332 33,596	19       268         14       30         33,596       36,485         33,596       36,485         33,596       36,485         19,263       18,923         14,332       17,562         33,596       36,485	19       268         14       30       24         33,596       36,485       37,454         33,596       36,485       37,454         33,596       36,485       37,454         19,263       18,923       20,966         14,332       17,562       16,488         33,596       36,485       37,454	19       268         14       30       24         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687         11,060       16       16         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687         19,263       18,923       20,966       22,993         14,332       17,562       16,488       20,694         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687	19       268         14       30       24         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687       42,693         11,060       16       16       16         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687       42,693         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687       42,693         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687       42,693         19,263       18,923       20,966       22,993       20,400         14,332       17,562       16,488       20,694       22,293         33,596       36,485       37,454       43,687       42,693

#### (Dollars in Thousands)

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	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast	Base
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
<u> 1000 - General</u>						
Balance Forward In	10,104	11,822	11,290	11,290	5,148	
Direct Appropriation	34,866	35,654	37,430	37,545	37,545	37,545
Transfers In		1,525				
Transfers Out		1,525				
Balance Forward Out	11,660	11,290	11,290	5,148		
Expenditures	33,310	36,186	37,429	43,687	42,693	37,545
Biennial Change in Expenditures				11,620		(878)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				17		(1)
Full-Time Equivalents	208.19	207.93	214.73	214.73	214.73	214.73

#### 2360 - Health Care Access

Balance Forward In	252		
Expenditures	252		
Biennial Change in Expenditures		(252)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			

#### 3010 - Coronavirus Relief

Direct Appropriation	19	268		
Expenditures	19	268		
Biennial Change in Expenditures			(287)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			(100)	

#### 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency

Balance Forward In	223	233	217	193	193	193
Receipts	24	14				
Balance Forward Out	233	217	192	193	193	193
Expenditures	14	30	24			
Experiatures	14	30	24			
Biennial Change in Expenditures	14	50	24	(20)		(24)

### Minnesota Legislature

### 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) (<u>https://www.lcc.mn.gov/members.html</u>) comprised of members of the House of Representatives and the Minnesota Senate.

The LCC office (<u>https://www.lcc.mn.gov/index.html</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 (<u>https://www.commissions.leg.state.mn.us/</u>);
- 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 (<u>https://www.gis.lcc.mn.gov/</u>); and
- maintain the Minnesota's Legacy (<u>https://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 facilitating arrangements for visiting international and state delegations to the legislature, accessibility accommodations, 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 <a href="https://www.commissions.leg.state.mn.us/">https://www.commissions.leg.state.mn.us/</a>.

The Legislative Reference Library (<u>https://www.lrl.mn.gov/lrl</u>) 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 (<u>https://www.revisor.mn.gov</u>) 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) (<u>https://www.lbo.mn.gov/</u>) 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 (<u>https://www.lbo.mn.gov/fn/documentation/LBOUSP.pdf</u>) as required under Minn. Stat. § 3.8853 (<u>https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/3.8853</u>). 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 (<u>https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/3.8855</u>). 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 (<u>https://lcpr.mn.gov</u>), 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 (<u>https://www.lccmr.mn.gov</u>) (LCCMR) 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 (<u>https://www.lsohc.mn.gov</u>) (LSOHC) recommends 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 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 (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes)

### **Program Expenditure Overview**

Actual Actual Actual Estimate **Forecast Base** FY20 FY21 FY22 FY23 FY24 FY25 **Expenditures by Fund** 12,434 18,514 16,337 15,815 1000 - General 11,274 12,798 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue 185 82 95 326 243 133 2050 - Environment & Natural Resources 763 3,549 751 626 2300 - Outdoor Heritage 656 582 560 1,540 2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage 1 2 5 5 9 9 2302 - Clean Water 3 1 2303 - Parks and Trails 4 0 4 1 2403 - Gift 23 3010 - Coronavirus Relief 143 12,890 15,948 Total 13,873 14,235 23,947 16,580 (5,654) **Biennial Change** 11,419 43 (15) **Biennial % Change Expenditures by Activity** 15,948 12,671 12,922 18,872 16,580 Legislative Coordinating Comm 11,485 579 Lessard Sams Outdoor Heritage 655 551 1,527 Leg Citizens Comm MN Resources 750 623 762 3,548 Total 12,890 13,873 14,235 23,947 16,580 15,948 Expenditures by Category Compensation 10,110 10,806 11,249 13,978 11,916 11,755 **Operating Expenses** 2,342 2,712 2,201 9,407 3,467 2,996 Capital Outlay-Real Property 438 355 319 320 1,022 1,022 Other Financial Transaction 465 242 175 175 16,580 Total 12,890 13,873 14,235 23,947 15,948 96.37 94.02 103.96 96.99 95.99 93.87 Full-Time Equivalents

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast	Base
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
1000 - General						
Balance Forward In	3,827	4,876	5,916	7,631	4,033	2,490
Direct Appropriation	12,279	13,474	13,996	14,709	14,587	14,638
Transfers In	10	2,975	527	217	217	217
Transfers Out	10	2,975	10	10	10	10
Balance Forward Out	4,832	5,916	7,630	4,033	2,490	1,520
Expenditures	11,274	12,434	12,798	18,514	16,337	15,815
Biennial Change in Expenditures				7,604		840
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				32		3
Full-Time Equivalents	85.57	87.39	84.26	93.07	95.85	95.85

#### 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue

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Balance Forward In	356	281	299	303	110	
Receipts	10					
Transfers In	100	172	100	133	133	133
Transfers Out		72				
Balance Forward Out	281	299	304	110		
Expenditures	185	82	95	326	243	133
Biennial Change in Expenditure	25			153		(45)
Biennial % Change in Expendit	ures			57		(11)
Full-Time Equivalents	0.14	0.15	0.14	1.14	1.14	0.14

#### 2050 - Environment & Natural Resources Balance Forward In 1,046 1,370 2,124 3,549 1,985 **Direct Appropriation** 1,403 1,095 Transfers In 298 202 Transfers Out 330 108 Balance Forward Out 1,368 2,029 3,549 Expenditures 751 626 763 3,549 **Biennial Change in Expenditures** 2,936 Biennial % Change in Expenditures 213 5.75 Full-Time Equivalents 4.77 4.82 5.56

#### 2300 - Outdoor Heritage

(4,312)

#### (Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	lase
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
Balance Forward In	1,099	1,011	993	983		
Direct Appropriation	560	565	549	557	0	0
Transfers In		68				
Transfers Out		68				
Balance Forward Out	1,003	993	982			
Expenditures	656	582	560	1,540		
Biennial Change in Expenditures				862		(2,100)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				70		(100)
Full-Time Equivalents	3.39	4.01	4.06	4.00		
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage						
Balance Forward In	3	9	7	5		
Direct Appropriation	6		4			
Balance Forward Out	9	7	5			
Expenditures	1	2	5	5		
Biennial Change in Expenditures				8		(10)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				341		(100)
2302 - Clean Water						
Balance Forward In	5	13	11	9		
Direct Appropriation	9		8			
Balance Forward Out	13	11	9			
Expenditures	1	3	9	9		
Biennial Change in Expenditures				15		(18)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				396		(100)
2303 - Parks and Trails						
Balance Forward In	2	6	5	4		
Direct Appropriation	4		4			
Balance Forward Out	6	5	4			
Expenditures	0	1	4	4		
Biennial Change in Expenditures				7		(8)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				408		(100)

(Dollars in Thousands)

Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base
 FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24 FY2

#### 2403 - Gift

2405 6110				
Balance Forward In	24			
Receipts	0	0		
Transfers Out	2	0		
Expenditures	23			
Biennial Change in Expenditures			(23)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				

#### 3010 - Coronavirus Relief

Direct Appropriation 143		
Expenditures 143		
Biennial Change in Expenditures	(143)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures		

### **Program: Legislative Audit Commission**

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#### AT A GLANCE

- OLA is the auditor of Minnesota state government. It conducts audits, evaluations, and investigations.
- OLA is comparable to a federal Office of Inspector General and 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)

## **Program Expenditure Overview**

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
Expenditures by Fund						
1000 - General	7,933	7,370	7,763	9,870	8,200	7,817
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	50	50				
Total	7,983	7,420	7,763	9,870	8,200	7,817
Biennial Change				2,229		(1,616)
Biennial % Change				14		(9)
Expenditures by Activity						
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Legislative Auditor	7,983	7,420	7,763	9,870	8,200	7,817
Total	7,983	7,420	7,763	9,870	8,200	7,817
Expenditures by Category						
Compensation	7,109	6,782	7,100	8,284	7,169	7,169
Operating Expenses	665	636	627	1,412	831	648
Capital Outlay-Real Property				165	200	
Other Financial Transaction	209	3	35	9		
Total	7,983	7,420	7,763	9,870	8,200	7,817
Full-Time Equivalents	62.50	59.07	55.82	55.53	50.93	50.93

#### (Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecas	t Base
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
<u> 1000 - General</u>						
Balance Forward In	1,212	1,384	2,310	2,436	383	
Direct Appropriation	7,405	7,596	7,889	7,817	7,817	7,817
Transfers In	700	2,198	1,309			
Transfers Out		1,498	1,309			
Cancellations		0				
Balance Forward Out	1,384	2,310	2,436	383		
Expenditures	7,933	7,370	7,763	9,870	8,200	7,817
Biennial Change in Expenditures				2,329		(1,616)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				15		(9)
Full-Time Equivalents	62.13	58.79	55.82	55.53	50.93	50.93

#### 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue

Balance Forward In		0		
Transfers In	50	50		
Transfers Out		0		
Balance Forward Out	0			
Expenditures	50	50		
Biennial Change in Expenditures			(100)	0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			(100)	
Full-Time Equivalents	0.37	0.28		