

Program Budget Comparison

The following table summarizes the total legislative budget for the program by year, type of expenditure, and source of funding.

Program Budget Comparison								
Budget Item	Base Fiscal 2012	Approp. Fiscal 2013	Budget Fiscal 2014	Budget Fiscal 2015	Biennium Fiscal 12-13	Biennium Fiscal 14-15	Biennium Change	Biennium % Change
FTE	20.63	20.63	22.63	22.63	20.63	22.63	2.00	9.69%
Personal Services	1,586,727	1,601,945	1,714,042	1,719,299	3,188,672	3,433,341	244,669	7.67%
Operating Expenses	736,645	984,210	822,384	819,516	1,720,855	1,641,900	(78,955)	(4.59%)
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Total Costs	\$2,323,372	\$2,586,155	\$2,536,426	\$2,538,815	\$4,909,527	\$5,075,241	\$165,714	3.38%
General Fund	2,323,372	2,586,155	2,536,426	2,538,815	4,909,527	5,075,241	165,714	3.38%
State Special	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Federal Special	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Total Funds	\$2,323,372	\$2,586,155	\$2,536,426	\$2,538,815	\$4,909,527	\$5,075,241	\$165,714	3.38%

Program Description

The Executive Office Program aids the Governor in overseeing and coordinating the activities of the Executive Branch of Montana state government. The program provides administrative, legal, and press support for the Office of the Governor. The Executive Office Program also administers programs with special impact on the citizens and governmental concerns of Montana. Special programs include the Office of Economic Development, which was created to strengthen the foundations of the state's business environment and diversify and expand existing economic endeavors to achieve long-term economic stability.

Program Highlights

Executive Office Program Major Budget Highlights
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The Executive Office Program budget is an increase of \$165,714 from the previous biennium primarily due to a transfer of the Energy Promotion and Development Division to the Office of Economic Development, with total personal service and operating expenses of \$390,350, including 2.00 FTE ◆ Personal service increases are offset by reductions of \$178,918 from the additional 2% of vacancy savings that can be allocated across all programs

Program Narrative

The legislature appropriated the Executive Office Program budget at an overall increase of 3.4%. The change is primarily related to a transfer of the functions of the Energy Promotion and Development Division, currently a function of the Department of Commerce, to the Office of Economic Development in the Executive Office Program. In transferring the program, the legislature reduced the number of staff assigned to this function from 5.00 FTE to 2.00 FTE, with a corresponding reduction in operating costs. The addition of FTE in the Governor's Office will bring the number of staff in the Office of Economic Development up to 7.63 FTE. The legislature made this change with the goal of gaining efficiencies and savings by having the two economic development programs combined in a single office. More information on this action may be found in the Department of Commerce section of this report.

The Executive Office Program also includes the budget reduction associated with the additional 2% vacancy savings adopted by the legislature. The added vacancy savings related to the Governor’s Office budget provided a general fund savings of \$178,918 in the 2015 biennium. Language included in HB 2 allows the agency to allocate the reduction across the programs in the Governor’s Office.

Funding

The following table shows program funding by source of authority for the 2015 biennium as adopted by the legislature.

Total Governor's Office Funding by Source of Authority 2015 Biennium Budget - Executive Office Program						
Funds	HB 2	Non-Budgeted Proprietary	Statutory Appropriatio	Total All Sources	% Total All Funds	MCA Reference Category
General Fund	\$5,075,241	\$0	\$0	\$5,075,241	100.0%	
Total All Funds	\$5,075,241	\$0	\$0	\$5,075,241	100.0%	
Percent - Total All Sources	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%			

The Executive Office Program is entirely funded with general fund.

Budget Summary by Category

The following summarizes the total budget by base, present law adjustments, and new proposals.

Budget Item	-----General Fund-----				-----Total Funds-----			
	Budget Fiscal 2014	Budget Fiscal 2015	Biennium Fiscal 14-15	Percent of Budget	Budget Fiscal 2014	Budget Fiscal 2015	Biennium Fiscal 14-15	Percent of Budget
Base Budget	2,323,372	2,323,372	4,646,744	91.56%	2,323,372	2,323,372	4,646,744	91.56%
Statewide PL Adjustments	106,790	109,340	216,130	4.26%	106,790	109,340	216,130	4.26%
Other PL Adjustments	468	467	935	0.02%	468	467	935	0.02%
New Proposals	105,796	105,636	211,432	4.17%	105,796	105,636	211,432	4.17%
Total Budget	\$2,536,426	\$2,538,815	\$5,075,241		\$2,536,426	\$2,538,815	\$5,075,241	

Present Law Adjustments

The “Present Law Adjustments” table shows the changes to the base budget adopted by the legislature.

	-----Fiscal 2014-----					-----Fiscal 2015-----				
	FTE	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	FTE	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
Present Law Adjustments										
Personal Services					150,436					156,359
Vacancy Savings					(64,112)					(64,348)
Inflation/Deflation					(185)					102
Fixed Costs					20,651					17,227
Total Statewide Present Law Adjustments		\$106,790	\$0	\$0	\$106,790		\$109,340	\$0	\$0	\$109,340
DP 50 - Initial Motion to FY 2012 Base	0.00	(106,790)	0	0	(106,790)	0.00	(109,340)	0	0	(109,340)
DP 51 - Adjustment for Statewide Personal Services	0.00	86,324	0	0	86,324	0.00	92,011	0	0	92,011
DP 52 - Adjustment for Statewide Operations	0.00	20,934	0	0	20,934	0.00	17,796	0	0	17,796
Total Other Present Law Adjustments	0.00	\$468	\$0	\$0	\$468	0.00	\$467	\$0	\$0	\$467
Grand Total All Present Law Adjustments	0.00	\$107,258	\$0	\$0	\$107,258	0.00	\$109,807	\$0	\$0	\$109,807

DP 50 - Initial Motion to FY 2012 Base - The legislature adopted a motion to establish the starting point for budget deliberations as the FY 2012 base. This adjustment removes statewide present law adjustments for personal services, vacancy savings, fixed costs, and inflation/deflation.

DP 51 - Adjustment for Statewide Personal Services - This adjustment funds statewide personal services and vacancy savings.

DP 52 - Adjustment for Statewide Operations - This adjustment establishes the fixed cost and inflation/deflation rates as approved by the General Government subcommittee.

New Proposals

Program	-----Fiscal 2014-----					-----Fiscal 2015-----				
	FTE	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	FTE	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 54 - Additional Vacancy Savings										
01	0.00	(89,342)	0	0	(89,342)	0.00	(89,576)	0	0	(89,576)
DP 120 - Energy Promotion and Development										
01	2.00	195,138	0	0	195,138	2.00	195,212	0	0	195,212
Total	2.00	\$105,796	\$0	\$0	\$105,796	2.00	\$105,636	\$0	\$0	\$105,636

DP 54 - Additional Vacancy Savings - The legislature applied an additional 2% vacancy savings to all positions except those exempt in statute or that must be filled 24/7. Language was included in HB 2 that allows the agency to allocate the reduction among programs.

DP 120 - Energy Promotion and Development - The legislature transferred 2.00 FTE and related operating expenses from the Energy Promotion and Development Division in the Department of Commerce to the Office of Economic Development. The legislature then eliminated the remainder of the funding in the Department of Commerce. For a further discussion, see the narrative for that agency.