

Department of Justice State Special Revenue

The Department of Justice (DOJ) has \$335.9 million of total authority and \$264.3 million of (modified) HB 2 authority in the 2023 biennium. The appropriations are funded from general fund, state special revenue, federal special revenue, enterprise funds, and internal services.

General fund, \$84.9 million or 25.3% of total funding

General fund is the primary funding source for local assistance, including county attorney salaries.

State Special Revenue, \$188.2 million or 56.0% of total funding

The largest source of state special revenue is the Montana Highway Patrol State Special account, which supports about 20.6% of the budget. Other revenues are generated from gambling license fees, consumer settlements, and other public fees related to the DOJ operations.

Federal Funds, \$55.5 million or 16.5% of total funding

Federal funds are provided by the federal government for specific purposes and must be used within federal confines and guidelines. Federal funds can also come with requirements for state matching funds or with the requirement that the state provide a certain level of overall state funding.

Other Funding Sources, \$7.3 million or 2.2% of total funding

Other funding sources in the Branch budget include \$2.6 million of authority in enterprise funds generated for gambling control purposes and through legal services provided in DOJ. These sources are referred to as proprietary funds.

HB 2 Funding

The table below shows the source of HB 2 funding for DOJ. The links in the table provide more detail on 12 of the 20 state special revenue accounts and makes up 97.1% of the DOJ HB 2 state special revenue budget authority.

Department of Justice HB 2 Authority (As Modified in FY 2022)				
2023 Biennium				
Funding Source	FY 2022	FY 2023	Biennial Total	% of Total
General Fund Total	\$33,911,516	\$39,226,432	\$73,137,947	27.7%
State Special Revenue				
02464 MHP Highway State Special	33,754,414	34,033,107	67,787,521	44.0%
02799 Motor Vehicle Administration	12,702,736	11,984,612	24,687,348	16.0%
02014 Highway Patrol Pay & Retention	8,864,163	9,053,377	17,917,540	11.6%
02690 Public Service Radio	3,748,975	3,751,553	7,500,528	4.9%
02074 Gambling License Fee Account	2,684,279	3,120,170	5,804,449	3.8%
02797 Criminal Records Info Sys	2,751,005	2,772,719	5,523,724	3.6%
02546 MT Law Enforcement Academy	2,879,584	2,501,490	5,381,074	3.5%
02456 61-6-158 MTIVS & MCE	2,587,977	2,791,537	5,379,514	3.5%
02796 MVD Real ID	3,875,000	0	3,875,000	2.5%
02140 Consumer Education Settlement	1,417,987	1,429,314	2,847,301	1.8%
02450 FSD Autopsy and Service Fees	929,482	939,438	1,868,920	1.2%
02798 61-3-550 MVD MERLIN HB261	691,184	319,319	1,010,503	0.7%
All Other State Special Revenue Accounts (8)	2,169,648	2,285,972	4,455,620	2.9%
State Special Revenue Total	\$79,056,434	\$74,982,608	\$154,039,042	58.3%
Federal Special Revenue Total	\$14,844,282	\$18,368,489	\$33,212,771	12.6%
Proprietary Funds Total	\$1,940,942	\$1,950,991	\$3,891,933	1.5%
Total HB 2 Funding	\$129,753,174	\$134,528,520	\$264,281,694	100.0%