Agency Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted by the legislature for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	470.39	474.39	479.39	9.00	1.0%	
General Fund	59,204,945	63,181,817	64,137,147	8,909,074	7.5%	
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	3,909,014	3,619,462	3,283,235	(915,331)	(11.7%)	
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	378,273	378,800	378,800	1,054	0.1%	
Total Funds	63,492,232	67,180,079	67,799,182	7,994,797	6.3%	
Personal Services	46,431,930	47,858,904	48,443,269	3,438,313	3.7%	
Operating Expenses	10,232,683	12,338,129	12,379,080	4,251,843	20.8%	
Equipment & Intangible Assets	183,116	255,505	183,116	72,389	19.8%	
Grants	100,000	100,000	100,000		0.0%	
Benefits & Claims	6,160,196	6,228,321	6,228,321	136,250	1.1%	
Debt Service	384,307	399,220	465,396	96,002	12.5%	
Total Expenditures	63,492,232	67,180,079	67,799,182	7,994,797	6.3%	
Total Ongoing	63,492,232	66,780,079	67,799,182	7,594,797	6.0%	
Total One-Time-Only	1,143,971	400,000	, , -	(1,887,942)	(82.5%)	

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Agency Highlights

Judicial Branch Major Budget Highlights
The legislature adopted an increase for the Judicial Branch of \$8.0 million or 6.3% higher compared to the FY 2025 base budget. Significant changes include:
 \$3.8 million in statewide present law adjustments to personal services and fixed costs \$1.7 million for two new judge positions and accompanying staff for a total of 4.00 PB in FY 2026 and 8.00 PB in FY 2027 \$1.5 million to support contract increases for software programs

Agency Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the expenditures requested for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Agency Actuals and Budget Comparison Actuals Approp. Approp. Legislative Legislative Fiscal 2024 Fiscal 2024 Fiscal 2025 Fiscal 2026 Fiscal 2027 Budget Item Personal Services 41,566,986 44,732,958 46,708,177 47,858,904 48,443,269 Operating Expenses 8,626,282 10,427,671 10,485,407 12,338,129 12,379,080 245,841 250,141 255,505 183,116 Equipment & Intangible Assets 183.116 Grants 642,616 715,000 715,000 100,000 100,000 Benefits & Claims 949,970 1,440,268 6,160,196 6,228,321 6,228,321 Transfers 4,389,895 4,389,895 0 0 ſ Debt Service 384,887 384,889 384,307 399,220 465,396 \$56,806,477 **Total Expenditures** \$62,340,822 \$64,636,203 \$67,180,079 \$67,799,182 General Fund 53,669,958 58,476,684 60,348,916 63,181,817 64,137,147 State/Other Special Rev. Funds 2,994,157 3,283,235 3,484,840 3,909,014 3,619,462 Federal Spec. Rev. Funds 142,362 379,298 378,273 378,800 378,800 **Total Funds** \$56,806,477 \$62,340,822 \$64,636,203 \$67,180,079 \$67,799,182 **Total Ongoing** \$55,811,169 \$61,096,998 \$63,492,232 \$66,780,079 \$67,799,182 Total OTO \$995,308 \$1,243,824 \$1,143,971 \$400,000 \$0

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Executive Budget Comparison

The following table compares the legislative budget for the biennium to the budget requested by the Governor by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$63,492,232 \$1,143,971	\$68,058,941 \$400,000	\$66,780,079 \$400,000	(\$1,278,862) \$0	\$69,266,471 \$0	\$67,799,182 \$0	(\$1,467,289) \$0	(\$2,746,151) \$0
Total Funds	\$64,636,203	\$68,458,941	\$67,180,079	(\$1,278,862)	\$69,266,471	\$67,799,182	(\$1,467,289)	(\$2,746,151)
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	378,273	378,800	378,800	0	378,800	378,800	0	0
State/other Special Rev. Funds	3,909,014	3,522,980	3,619,462	96,482	3,186,594	3,283,235	96,641	193,123
General Fund	60,348,916	64,557,161	63,181,817	(1,375,344)	65,701,077	64,137,147	(1,563,930)	(2,939,274
Total Costs	\$64,636,203	\$68,458,941	\$67,180,079	(\$1,278,862)	\$69,266,471	\$67,799,182	(\$1,467,289)	(\$2,746,151)
Debt Service	384,307	399,220	399,220	0	465,396	465,396	0	0
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benefits & Claims	6,160,196	6,228,321	6,228,321	Ó	6,228,321	6,228,321	0	0
Grants	715,000	715,000	100,000	(615,000)	715,000	100,000	(615,000)	(1,230,000
Equipment & Intangible Assets	183,116	291,699	255,505	(36,194)	183,116	183,116	(01,021)	(36,194
Personal Services Operating Expenses	46,708,177 10,485,407	48,379,945 12,444,756	47,858,904 12,338,129	(521,041) (106,627)	49,197,731 12,476,907	48,443,269 12,379,080	(754,462) (97,827)	(1,275,503 (204,454
Budget Item	Fiscal 2025	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 26-27
Executive Budget Comparison	Approp.	Executive Budget	Legislative Budget	Leg — Exec. Difference	Executive Budget	Legislative Budget	Leg — Exec. Difference	Biennium Difference

The legislature adopted total HB 2 appropriations \$2.7 million less than the executive request. Differences include:

- (\$1.7 million) the proposal to make the pretrial program permanent was not adopted by the legislature
- (\$1.0 million) in personal services for 5.00 PB not adopted by the legislature

Funding

The following table shows the adopted agency funding for all sources of authority.

Total	Judicial Branch F 2027 Bi	unding by Sou ennium Budge				
Funds	HB2 Ongoing	HB2 OTO	Non-Budgeted Proprietary	Statutory Appropriation	Total All Sources	% Total All Funds
01100 General Fund	127,318,964	010	rophotary	Appropriation	127,318,964	93.9%
02431 Water Adjudication	3,430,865	400,000			3,830,865	2.8%
02562 Crt Appointed Special Advocate	1,327,898				1,327,898	1.0%
02961 State Grants to Drug Courts	573,030				573,030	0.4%
02373 Treatment Court Support Acct	491,890				491,890	0.4%
02536 Legal Assistance	258,774				258,774	0.2%
Other State Special Revenue	420,240				420,240	0.3%
State Special Revenue Total	6,502,697	400,000	-	-	6,902,697	5.1%
03240 Court Assessment Program	757,600				757,600	0.6%
Federal Special Revenue Total	757,600	-	-	-	757,600	0.6%
06019 Lexis Proprietary Account			570,522		570,522	0.4%
Proprietary Fund Total	-	-	570,522	-	570,522	0.4%
Total of All Funds Percent of All Sources of Authority	134,579,261 99.3%	400,000 0.3%	570,522 0.4%	- 0.0%	135,549,783	

The Judicial Branch is primarily supported by general fund. State special revenue authority supports specific functions, the largest of which is the Water Court with the water adjudication fund supporting over half of the funding for this court. Other sources of state special revenue include fines, fees, assessments for training events, and statutory authority from the youth court intervention and prevention account which receives revenue from the transfer of unexpended general fund juvenile placement funds. This statutory authority is not appropriated in HB 2.

Additionally, the branch receives federal funding for grants supporting specific projects such as the Court Improvement Program. Some state special revenue will be described in more detail in different program sections below.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202	27 Biennium	Judicial B HB 2 Base E		djustments				
			FY 2026		Ū	-		FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	59,204,945	3,909,014	378,273	63,492,232	94.5%	59,204,945	3,909,014	378,273	63,492,232	93.6%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	928,549	74,689	527	1,003,765	1.5%	999,548	80,086	527	1,080,161	1.6%
Fixed Costs	947,656	(1,450)	0	946,206	1.4%	878,138	(1,450)	0	876,688	1.3%
Inflation Deflation	(5,116)	0	0	(5,116)	(0.0%)	(3,459)	0	0	(3,459)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	1,871,089	73,239	527	1,944,855	2.9%	1,874,227	78,636	527	1,953,390	2.9%
Present Law (PL)	612,691	50,000	0	662,691	1.0%	930,691	50,000	0	980,691	1.4%
New Proposals	1,493,092	(412,791)	0	1,080,301	1.6%	2,127,284	(754,415)	0	1,372,869	2.0%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	3,976,872	(289,552)	527	3,687,847	5.5%	4,932,202	(625,779)	527	4,306,950	6.4%
Total Budget	63,181,817	3,619,462	378,800	67,180,079		64,137,147	3,283,235	378,800	67,799,182	

Language

On the hiring of two additional judges in Yellowstone County, it is the intent of the Legislature that district court judges in the 13th judicial district develop specialized court dockets.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison						
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	from Base	
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	102.00	102.00	103.00	1.00	0.5%	
General Fund	20,795,552	23,514,090	24,028,566	5,951,552	14.3%	
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,528,876	781,200	781,200	(1,495,352)	(48.9%)	
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	378,273	378,800	378,800	1,054	0.1%	
Total Funds	22,702,701	24,674,090	25,188,566	4,457,254	9.8%	
Personal Services	9,714,086	10,038,032	10,094,330	704,190	3.6%	
Operating Expenses	6,577,827	8,147,630	8,599,011	3,590,987	27.3%	
Equipment & Intangible Assets	8,885	8,885	8,885		0.0%	
Grants	100,000	100,000	100,000		0.0%	
Benefits & Claims	6,125,196	6,193,321	6,193,321	136,250	1.1%	
Debt Service	176,707	186,222	193,019	25,827	7.3%	
Total Expenditures	22,702,701	24,674,090	25,188,566	4,457,254	9.8%	
Total Ongoing	22,702,701	24,674,090	25,188,566	4,457,254	9.8%	
Total One-Time-Only	1,143,971			(2,287,942)	(100.0%)	

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	8,680,454	9,345,324	9,990,333	10,038,032	10,094,330
Operating Expenses	5,537,444	6,860,680	6,830,551	8,147,630	8,599,011
Equipment & Intangible Assets	19,190	19,190	8,885	8,885	8,885
Grants	642,616	715,000	715,000	100,000	100,000
Benefits & Claims	932,436	1,405,268	6,125,196	6,193,321	6,193,321
Transfers	4,389,895	4,389,895	0	0	0
Debt Service	177,287	177,289	176,707	186,222	193,019
Total Expenditures	\$20,379,322	\$22,912,646	\$23,846,672	\$24,674,090	\$25,188,566
General Fund	19,506,494	21,372,209	21,939,523	23,514,090	24,028,566
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	730,466	1,161,139	1,528,876	781,200	781,200
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	142,362	379,298	378,273	378,800	378,800
Total Funds	\$20,379,322	\$22,912,646	\$23,846,672	\$24,674,090	\$25,188,566
Total Ongoing	\$19,384,014	\$21,668,822	\$22,702,701	\$24,674,090	\$25,188,566
Total OTO	\$995,308	\$1,243,824	\$1,143,971	\$0	\$0

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Funding

General fund supports the majority of HB 2 authority for the program. State special revenue supports administration of juvenile delinquency intervention prevention funds, training for judges from conference fees, legal assistance for indigent victims of domestic violence from court filing fees primarily from dissolution of marriage filings, and grants to drug court from fees charged to drug court participants. Unexpended appropriations for juvenile placement remaining at the end of each fiscal year are transferred to the Youth Court Intervention and Prevention (YCIP) state special revenue fund as required by 41-5-2011, MCA. Federal funding from grants supports specific projects such as the Court Assessment Program.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202		ipreme Court i HB 2 Base E		djustments				
			FY 2026		-		FY 2027			
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	20,795,552	1,528,876	378,273	22,702,701	92.0%	20,795,552	1,528,876	378,273	22,702,701	90.1%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	302,774	20,645	527	323,946	1.3%	316,522	21,648	527	338,697	1.3%
Fixed Costs	947,656	(132)	0	947,524	3.8%	878,138	(132)	0	878,006	3.5%
Inflation Deflation	(272)	0	0	(272)	(0.0%)	(184)	0	0	(184)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	1,250,158	20,513	527	1,271,198	5.2%	1,194,476	21,516	527	1,216,519	4.8%
Present Law (PL)	612,691	50,000	0	662,691	2.7%	930,691	50,000	0	980,691	3.9%
New Proposals	855,689	(818,189)	0	37,500	0.2%	1,107,847	(819,192)	0	288,655	1.1%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	2,718,538	(747,676)	527	1,971,389	8.0%	3,233,014	(747,676)	527	2,485,865	9.9%
Total Budget	23,514,090	781,200	378,800	24,674,090		24,028,566	781,200	378,800	25,188,566	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027				
PB		General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Services	3									
	0.00	302,774	20,645	527	323,946	0.00	316,522	21,648	527	338,69
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
	0.00	947,656	(132)	0	947,524	0.00	878,138	(132)	0	878,00
DP 3 - Inflation Deflation										
	0.00	(272)	0	0	(272)	0.00	(184)	0	0	(184
DP 101 - IT Maintenance	e Cont	ract Increases								
	0.00	578,176	0	0	578,176	0.00	889,379	0	0	889,37
DP 105 - Judicial Standa	rds C	ontracted Servi	ices Support							
	0.00	25,000	0	0	25,000	0.00	25,000	0	0	25,00
DP 106 - OCA Park Ave										
	0.00	9,515	0	0	9,515	0.00	16,312	0	0	16,31
DP 107 - Drug Courts Ac		al Fees Author								
	0.00	0	50,000	0	50,000	0.00	0	50,000	0	50,00
Grand Total All Pr	esent	Law Adjustme	ents							
	0.00	\$1,862,849	\$70,513	\$527	\$1,933,889	0.00	\$2,125,167	\$71,516	\$527	\$2,197,21

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

DP 101 - IT Maintenance Contract Increases -

The legislature adopted general fund authority for a maintenance and support contract increases for the key software programs supporting the state's appellate, district, and limited courts, including FullCourt, C-Trak, e-filing, and a jury management system.

DP 105 - Judicial Standards Contracted Services Support -

The legislature adopted general fund for the constitutionally mandated Judicial Standards Commission.

DP 106 - OCA Park Ave rent increase -

The legislature adopted additional general fund to cover the increase in lease payments for office space.

DP 107 - Drug Courts Additional Fees Authority -

The legislature adopted state special revenue to allow drug treatment courts the ability to pay for drug court related expenditures with participant fees.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

New Proposals										
			Fiscal 2026					-Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 102 - Drug Court	Funding S	witch								
-	0.00	855,689	(818,189)	0	37,500	0.00	856,692	(819,192)	0	37,500
DP 104 - Family Law	/ Mediation	Continuing								
	0.00	Ō	0	0	0	1.00	251,155	0	0	251,155
Total	0.00	\$855,689	(\$818,189)	\$0	\$37,500	1.00	\$1,107,847	(\$819,192)	\$0	\$288,655

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 102 - Drug Court Funding Switch -

The legislature adopted transitioning drug court costs from state special revenue to the general fund and provided increases to annualize a few areas of expenses.

DP 104 - Family Law Mediation Continuing -

The legislature adopted 1.00 additional PB and general fund for family law mediation.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	6.75	6.75	6.75	0.00	0.0%	
General Fund	979,986	989,880	989,919	19,827	1.0%	
Total Funds	979,986	989,880	989,919	19,827	1.0%	
Personal Services	509,356	519,274	519,305	19,867	2.0%	
Operating Expenses	382,409	382,385	382,393	(40)	(0.0%)	
Equipment & Intangible Assets	88,221	88,221	88,221		0.0%	
Total Expenditures	979,986	989,880	989,919	19,827	1.0%	
Total Ongoing Total One-Time-Only	979,986	989,880	989,919	19,827	1.0% 0.0%	

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	386,373	480,592	509,356	519,274	519.30
Operating Expenses	323,330	351,704	382,409	382,385	382,39
Equipment & Intangible Assets	119,036	119,041	88,221	88,221	88,22
Total Expenditures	\$828,739	\$951,337	\$979,986	\$989,880	\$989,91
General Fund	828,739	951,337	979,986	989,880	989,91
Total Funds	\$828,739	\$951,337	\$979,986	\$989,880	\$989,91
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$828,739 \$0	\$951,337 \$0	\$979,986 \$0	\$989,880 \$0	\$989,91 \$

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Funding

HB 2 funding for the Law Library comes entirely from general fund. The Law Library also operates a non-budgeted enterprise proprietary program. Because it is an enterprise fund, the legislature does not approve rates but does review the fund report and rates to identify any concerns.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20	27 Biennium	Law Lib HB 2 Base E	rary Budget and Ac	djustments					
			FY 2026					FY 2027			
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	
Base Budget	979,986	0	0	979,986	99.0%	979,986	0	0	979,986	99.0%	
Statewide PL											
Personal Services	9,918	0	0	9,918	1.0%	9,949	0	0	9,949	1.0%	
Fixed Costs	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%	
Inflation Deflation	(24)	0	0	(24)	(0.0%)	(16)	0	0	(16)	(0.0%)	
Total Statewide PL	9,894	0	0	9,894	1.0%	9,933	0	0	9,933	1.0%	
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%	
New Proposals	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%	
Total HB 2 Adjustments	9,894	0	0	9,894	1.0%	9,933	0	0	9,933	1.0%	
Total Budget	989,880	0	0	989,880		989,919	0	0	989,919		

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026		Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Se	rvices									
	0.00	9,918	0	0	9,918	0.00	9,949	0	0	9,949
DP 3 - Inflation Defl	ation									
	0.00	(24)	0	0	(24)	0.00	(16)	0	0	(16
Grand Total A	Il Present	Law Adjustm	ents							
	0.00	\$9,894	\$0	\$0	\$9,894	0.00	\$9,933	\$0	\$0	\$9,93

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	332.39	336.39	340.39	8.00	1.2%
General Fund	35,653,739	36,906,832	37,343,334	2,942,688	4.1%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	754,793	754,716	754,716	(154)	(0.0%)
Total Funds	36,408,532	37,661,548	38,098,050	2,942,534	4.0%
Personal Services	33,162,562	34,206,265	34,725,599	2,606,740	3.9%
Operating Expenses	3,133,247	3,270,171	3,259,728	263,405	4.2%
Equipment & Intangible Assets	77,723	150,112	77,723	72,389	46.6%
Benefits & Claims	35,000	35,000	35,000		0.0%
Total Expenditures	36,408,532	37,661,548	38,098,050	2,942,534	4.0%
Total Ongoing	36,408,532	37,661,548	38,098,050	2,942,534	4.0%
Total One-Time-Only					0.0%

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	29,713,931	31,981,669	33,162,562	34,206,265	34,725,599
Operating Expenses	2,644,566	3,072,482	3,133,247	3,270,171	3,259,728
Equipment & Intangible Assets	107,615	107,615	77,723	150,112	77,723
Benefits & Claims	17,534	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
Total Expenditures	\$32,483,646	\$35,196,766	\$36,408,532	\$37,661,548	\$38,098,050
General Fund	31,785,215	34,442,620	35,653,739	36,906,832	37,343,334
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	698,431	754,146	754,793	754,716	754,716
Total Funds	\$32,483,646	\$35,196,766	\$36,408,532	\$37,661,548	\$38,098,050
Total Ongoing	\$32,483,646	\$35,196,766	\$36,408,532	\$37,661,548	\$38,098,050
Total OTO	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$

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Funding

The majority of funding for District Court Operations comes from the general fund. State special revenues supporting the program comes from court-imposed fines and fees.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202		District Court C n HB 2 Base E		djustments				
			FY 2026					FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	35,653,739	754,793	0	36,408,532	96.7%	35,653,739	754,793	0	36,408,532	95.6%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	620,494	0	0	620,494	1.6%	673,406	0	0	673,406	1.8%
Fixed Costs	0	(77)	0	(77)	(0.0%)	0	(77)	0	(77)	(0.0%)
Inflation Deflation	(4,804)	0	0	(4,804)	(0.0%)	(3,248)	0	0	(3,248)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	615,690	(77)	0	615,613	1.6%	670,158	(77)	0	670,081	1.8%
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	637,403	0	0	637,403	1.7%	1,019,437	0	0	1,019,437	2.7%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	1,253,093	(77)	0	1,253,016	3.3%	1,689,595	(77)	0	1,689,518	4.4%
Total Budget	36,906,832	754,716	0	37,661,548		37,343,334	754,716	0	38,098,050	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
F	РΒ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 1 - Personal Servi	ices										
	0.00	620,494	0	0	620,494	0.00	673,406	0	0	673,40	
DP 2 - Fixed Costs											
	0.00	0	(77)	0	(77)	0.00	0	(77)	0	(7	
DP 3 - Inflation Deflat	ion				· · /			. ,			
	0.00	(4,804)	0	0	(4,804)	0.00	(3,248)	0	0	(3,248	
Grand Total All	Present	Law Adjustm	ents								
	0.00	\$615,690	(\$77)	\$0	\$615,613	0.00	\$670,158	(\$77)	\$0	\$670,08	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026		Fiscal 2027					
	РВ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 403 - New 、	Judges & Staff i	n the 13th Jud	icial District							
	4.00	637,403	0	0	637,403	8.00	1,019,437	0	0	1,019,43
Total	4.00	\$637,403	\$0	\$0	\$637,403	8.00	\$1,019,437	\$0	\$0	\$1,019,43

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 403 - New Judges & Staff in the 13th Judicial District -

The legislature adopted appropriations to support two additional judge positions and accompanying staff positions for the 2027 biennium. Three additional positions accompany each judge. Positions begin in January of each year, which results in 0.50 PB per position in FY 2026 and 1.00 PB per position in FY 2027.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison						
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	23.75	23.75	23.75	0.00	0.0%	
General Fund	1,122,261	1,159,465	1,161,359	76,302	3.4%	
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,625,345	2,083,546	1,747,319	580,175	17.8%	
Total Funds	2,747,606	3,243,011	2,908,678	656,477	11.9%	
Personal Services	2,437,155	2,528,403	2,534,691	188,784	3.9%	
Operating Expenses	94,564	493,323	93,323	397,518	210.2%	
Equipment & Intangible Assets	8,287	8,287	8,287		0.0%	
Debt Service	207,600	212,998	272,377	70,175	16.9%	
Total Expenditures	2,747,606	3,243,011	2,908,678	656,477	11.9%	
Total Ongoing	2,747,606	2,843,011	2,908,678	256,477	4.7%	
Total One-Time-Only		400,000		400,000	0.0%	

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	2,233,468	2,338,106	2,437,155	2,528,403	2,534,69
Operating Expenses	98,244	98,243	94,564	493,323	93,323
Equipment & Intangible Assets	0	4,295	8,287	8,287	8,287
Debt Service	207,600	207,600	207,600	212,998	272,377
Total Expenditures	\$2,539,312	\$2,648,244	\$2,747,606	\$3,243,011	\$2,908,678
General Fund	974,052	1,078,689	1,122,261	1,159,465	1,161,359
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,565,260	1,569,555	1,625,345	2,083,546	1,747,319
Total Funds	\$2,539,312	\$2,648,244	\$2,747,606	\$3,243,011	\$2,908,678
Total Ongoing	\$2,539,312	\$2,648,244	\$2,747,606	\$2,843,011	\$2,908,678

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Funding

General fund provides a little over a third of the funding for Water Court Supervision. The remaining funding is from the water adjudication account established within the state special revenue account created in 17-2-102, MCA. However, if amounts appropriated by the legislature to fund the Water Court Program exceed the available and unencumbered fund balance within the water adjudication account, statute requires that general fund be transferred into the account at the beginning of each fiscal year to fully fund legislative appropriations to the program.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202	27 Biennium	Water C HB 2 Base E	ourt Budget and Ac	ljustments				
			FY 2026					FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	1,122,261	1,625,345	0	2,747,606	84.7%	1,122,261	1,625,345	0	2,747,606	94.5%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	37,204	54,044	0	91,248	2.8%	39,098	58,438	0	97,536	3.4%
Fixed Costs	0	(1,241)	0	(1,241)	(0.0%)	0	(1,241)	0	(1,241)	(0.0%)
Inflation Deflation	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	Ó	0	0	0.0%
Total Statewide PL	37,204	52,803	0	90,007	2.8%	39,098	57,197	0	96,295	3.3%
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	0	405,398	0	405,398	12.5%	0	64,777	0	64,777	2.2%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	37,204	458,201	0	495,405	15.3%	39,098	121,974	0	161,072	5.5%
Total Budget	1,159,465	2,083,546	0	3,243,011		1,161,359	1,747,319	0	2,908,678	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026		Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Se	ervices 0.00	37,204	54,044	0	91,248	0.00	39,098	58,438	0	97,530
DP 2 - Fixed Costs	0.00	0	(1,241)	0	(1,241)	0.00	0	(1,241)	0	(1,24
Grand Total	All Present 0.00	Law Adjustm \$37,204	ents \$52,803	\$0	\$90,007	0.00	\$39,098	\$57,197	\$0	\$96,29

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			-Fiscal 2026		Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 501 - Water	Court Rent Inc	rease								
	0.00	0	5,398	0	5,398	0.00	0	64,777	0	64,77
DP 502 - Water	Court Digitizat	ion (Bien, OT	0)							
	0.00	0	400,000	0	400,000	0.00	0	0	0	
Total	0.00	\$0	\$405.398	\$0	\$405,398	0.00	\$0	\$64,777	\$0	\$64,77

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 501 - Water Court Rent Increase -

The legislature adopted additional revenue from the water adjudication state special revenue account to cover an increase in rent payments.

DP 502 - Water Court Digitization (Bien, OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time only biennial increase in state special revenue appropriations for the water adjudication account to cover costs related to the digitization of case filings.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison						
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
РВ	5.50	5.50	5.50	0.00	0.0%	
General Fund	653,407	611,550	613,969	(81,295)	(6.2%)	
Total Funds	653,407	611,550	613,969	(81,295)	(6.2%)	
Personal Services	608,771	566,930	569,344	(81,268)	(6.7%)	
Operating Expenses	44,636	44,620	44,625	(27)	(0.0%)	
Total Expenditures	653,407	611,550	613,969	(81,295)	(6.2%)	
Total Ongoing Total One-Time-Only	653,407	611,550	613,969	(81,295)	(6.2%) 0.0%	

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Actuals and Budget Comparis					
	Actuals	Approp.	Approp.	Legislative	Legislative
Budget Item	Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2025	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	552,760	587,267	608,771	566,930	569,344
Operating Expenses	22,698	44,562	44,636	44,620	44,625
Total Expenditures	\$575,458	\$631,829	\$653,407	\$611,550	\$613,969
General Fund	575,458	631,829	653,407	611,550	613,969
Total Funds	\$575,458	\$631,829	\$653,407	\$611,550	\$613,969
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$575,458 \$0	\$631,829 \$0	\$653,407 \$0	\$611,550 \$0	\$613,969 \$(

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Funding

The Clerk of Court Program is funded entirely from the general fund.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20	27 Biennium	Clerk of (HB 2 Base E	Court Budget and Ac	ljustments				
			FY 2026					FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	653,407	0	0	653,407	106.8%	653,407	0	0	653,407	106.4%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	(41,841)	0	0	(41,841)	(6.8%)	(39,427)	0	0	(39,427)	(6.4%)
Fixed Costs	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Inflation Deflation	(16)	0	0	(16)	(0.0%)	(11)	0	0	(11)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	(41,857)	0	0	(41,857)	(6.8%)	(39,438)	0	0	(39,438)	(6.4%)
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	(41,857)	0	0	(41,857)	(6.8%)	(39,438)	0	0	(39,438)	(6.4%)
Total Budget	611,550	0	0	611,550		613,969	0	0	613,969	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

	Fiscal 2026							Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal S	Services									
	0.00	(41,841)	0	0	(41,841)	0.00	(39,427)	0	0	(39,427
DP 3 - Inflation D	eflation									
	0.00	(16)	0	0	(16)	0.00	(11)	0	0	(11
Grand Tota	I All Present	Law Adjustm	ents							
	0.00	(\$41,857)	\$0	\$0	(\$41,857)	0.00	(\$39,438)	\$0	\$0	(\$39,438

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

Agency Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted by the legislature for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	845.15	851.35	851.35	6.20	0.4%
General Fund	47,633,697	47,903,380	48,161,709	797,695	0.8%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	86,754,933	101,426,943	95,533,297	23,450,374	13.5%
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	15,562,601	15,562,600	15,562,600	(2)	0.0%
Proprietary Funds	2,132,897	2,132,897	2,132,897		0.0%
Total Funds	152,084,128	167,025,820	161,390,503	24,248,067	8.0%
Personal Services	82,550,106	86,464,727	86,660,198	8,024,713	4.9%
Operating Expenses	45,319,539	47,360,249	47,229,461	3,950,632	4.4%
Equipment & Intangible Assets	3,527,244	3,927,244	3,927,244	800,000	11.3%
Local Assistance	25,001	225,001	225,001	400,000	800.0%
Grants	11,333,930	13,333,930	13,633,930	4,300,000	19.0%
Benefits & Claims	1,210,269	1,710,269	1,710,269	1,000,000	41.3%
Transfers	3,389,698	3,389,698	3,389,698		0.0%
Debt Service	4,728,341	10,614,702	4,614,702	5,772,722	61.0%
Total Expenditures	152,084,128	167,025,820	161,390,503	24,248,067	8.0%
Total Ongoing	152,084,128	160,505,820	160,870,503	17,208,067	5.7%
Total One-Time-Only	4,017,533	6,520,000	520,000	(995,066)	(12.4%)

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Agency Highlights

Department of Justice Major Budget Highlights

The legislature adopted a budget for the Department of Justice which is \$24.2 million or 8.0% higher than FY 2025 base appropriations. Significant increases include:

- \$6.0 million in one-time-only state special revenue for statewide radio loans
- \$5.4 million state special revenue to implement pay increases for highway patrol troopers
- \$4.0 million in state special revenue to continue additional victim services provided as one-time-only by the 2023 Legislature
- \$2.0 million in restricted general fund for the litigation of Montana legislation
- \$1.6 million state special revenue for county office support, inflationary mailing costs, and increases in CARS maintenance to the Motor Vehicle Division
- Nearly \$1.2 million for statewide present law adjustments to personal services and fixed costs
- Language authority totaling \$4.0 million should HB 85 not pass

Agency Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the expenditures requested for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Actuals	Approp.	Approp.	Legislative	Legislative
Budget Item	Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2025	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	81,150,348	80,643,610	82,664,839	86,464,727	86,660,198
Operating Expenses	36,297,636	42,196,262	46,822,339	47,360,249	47,229,46
Equipment & Intangible Assets	8,207,278	8,638,930	3,927,244	3,927,244	3,927,244
Local Assistance	25,691	25,001	25,001	225,001	225,00
Grants	9,076,286	12,547,859	13,333,930	13,333,930	13,633,930
Benefits & Claims	741,669	1,253,095	1,210,269	1,710,269	1,710,269
Transfers	1,013,262	3,160,445	3,389,698	3,389,698	3,389,698
Debt Service	4,758,566	4,967,093	4,728,341	10,614,702	4,614,702
Total Expenditures	\$141,270,736	\$153,432,295	\$156,101,661	\$167,025,820	\$161,390,503
General Fund	50,115,270	52,186,300	51,251,230	47,903,380	48,161,709
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	80,787,013	84,232,357	87,154,933	101,426,943	95,533,297
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	8,474,431	14,956,780	15,562,601	15,562,600	15,562,600
Proprietary Funds	1,894,022	2,056,858	2,132,897	2,132,897	2,132,897
Total Funds	\$141,270,736	\$153,432,295	\$156,101,661	\$167,025,820	\$161,390,503
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$136,691,268 \$4,579,468	\$147,325,155 \$6,107,140	\$152,084,128 \$4,017,533	\$160,505,820 \$6,520,000	\$160,870,503 \$520,000

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Executive Budget Comparison

The following table compares the legislative budget for the biennium to the budget requested by the Governor by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Executive Budget Comparison	Approp.	Executive Budget	Legislative Budget	Leg — Exec. Difference	Executive Budget	Legislative Budget	Leg — Exec. Difference	Biennium Difference
Budget Item	Fiscal 2025	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 26-27
Personal Services	82,664,839	89,240,638	86,464,727	(2,775,911)	89,436,177	86,660,198	(2,775,979)	(5,551,890)
Operating Expenses	46,822,339	47,359,718	47,360,249	531	47,228,930	47,229,461	531	1,062
Equipment & Intangible Assets	3,927,244	3,927,244	3,927,244	0	3,927,244	3,927,244	0	0
Local Assistance	25,001	225,001	225,001	0	225,001	225,001	0	0
Grants	13,333,930	13,333,930	13,333,930	0	13,333,930	13,633,930	300,000	300,000
Benefits & Claims	1,210,269	1,710,269	1,710,269	0	1,710,269	1,710,269	0	0
Transfers	3,389,698	3,389,698	3,389,698	0	3,389,698	3,389,698	0	0
Debt Service	4,728,341	15,384,048	10,614,702	(4,769,346)	4,614,702	4,614,702	0	(4,769,346)
Total Costs	\$156,101,661	\$174,570,546	\$167,025,820	(\$7,544,726)	\$163,865,951	\$161,390,503	(\$2,475,448)	(\$10,020,174)
General Fund	51,251,230	49,783,378	47,903,380	(1,879,998)	49,741,709	48,161,709	(1,580,000)	(3,459,998)
State/other Special Rev. Funds	87,154,933	107,091,671	101,426,943	(5,664,728)	96,428,745	95,533,297	(895,448)	(6,560,176)
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	15,562,601	15,562,600	15,562,600	0	15,562,600	15,562,600	0	0
Other	2,132,897	2,132,897	2,132,897	0	2,132,897	2,132,897	0	0
Total Funds	\$156,101,661	\$174,570,546	\$167,025,820	(\$7,544,726)	\$163,865,951	\$161,390,503	(\$2,475,448)	(\$10,020,174)
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$152,084,128 \$4,017,533	\$163,176,200 \$11,394,346	\$160,505,820 \$6,520,000	(\$2,670,380) (\$4,874,346)	\$163,240,951 \$625,000	\$160,870,503 \$520,000	(\$2,370,448) (\$105,000)	(\$5,040,828) (\$4,979,346)

The budget for the Department of Justice is about \$10.0 million lower than the executive request. Changes attributing to this difference include:

- (\$4.8 million) The legislature reduced state special revenue provided to pay towards statewide radio loans
- (\$4.0 million) The legislature has not adopted the executive request for \$4.0 million general fund to cover a portion of the employer contribution to highway patrol retirement. However, the legislature has added language coordinating this \$4.0 million general fund be added to HB 2 if HB 85 does not pass. HB 85 would provide the authority in statute
- (\$1.8 million) The legislature approved a smaller pay increase for highway patrol troopers than the executive's budget
- (\$250,000) At the executive's request, a POST Council proposal originally included by the executive was not approved
- \$40,000 The legislature approved additional state special revenue for missing indigenous persons
- \$228,000 The legislature adopted an increase in personal services within the POST Council to offset personal service reductions adopted in the statewide present law adjustment for personal services (DP 1)
- \$240,000 The legislature approved additional general fund on top of the executive's request for the department to increase pay for medical examiner positions
- \$300,000 The legislature approved additional general fund in FY 2027 to the Montana Board of Crime Control to supplement federal grant funding for after school prevention-based programming

Funding

The following table shows the adopted agency funding for all sources of authority.

Total De	partment of Justic 2027 Bio	e Funding by S ennium Budge		у		
Funds	HB2 Ongoing	HB2 OTO	Non-Budgeted Proprietary	Statutory Appropriation	Total All Sources	% Total All Funds
01100 General Fund	95,065,089	1,000,000		8,557,000	104,622,089	28.1%
02464 MHP Highway State Special	71,048,034				71,048,034	19.1%
02799 Motor Vehicle Administration	32,867,248				32,867,248	8.8%
02014 Highway Patrol Pay & Retention	28,836,516				28,836,516	7.8%
02997 911 Distribution	, ,			19,499,532	19,499,532	5.2%
02690 Public Service Radio	7,546,486	6,000,000			13,546,486	3.6%
Other State Special Revenue	50,621,956	40,000		11,446,960	62,108,916	16.7%
State Special Revenue Total	190,920,240	6,040,000	-	30,946,492	227,906,732	61.3%
03192 Crime Victim Assistance	14,870,334				14,870,334	4.0%
03343 Criminal History record Improv	4,200,000				4.200.000	1.1%
03344 Violence Against Women Act	2,048,576				2,048,576	0.6%
03188 Justice Assistance Grant	1,885,608				1,885,608	0.5%
03800 Medicaid Fraud	1,384,564				1,384,564	0.4%
Other Federal Special Revenue	6,736,118			250,000	6,986,118	1.9%
Federal Special Revenue Total	31,125,200	-	-	250,000	31,375,200	8.4%
06500 Agency Legal Services	13,930		3,560,896		3,574,826	1.0%
06005 Liguor Division	3,143,448		-,,		3,143,448	0.8%
06083 61-3-118 MVD E-Commerce	1,108,416				1,108,416	0.3%
Proprietary Fund Total	4,265,794	-	3,560,896	-	7,826,690	2.1%
Total of All Funds Percent of All Sources of Authority	321,376,323 86.5%	7,040,000 1.9%	3,560,896 1.0%	39,753,492 10.7%	371,730,711	

In the HB 2 budget adopted by the legislature, general fund supports all divisions at varying levels except for the Gambling Control Division and the POST.

The 2027 biennium budget is funded primarily with state special revenue. State special revenue from the consumer protection settlement proceeds supports consumer protection activities, gambling license fees support the Gambling Control Division, and motor vehicle fees support the Motor Vehicle Division. The Montana Highway Patrol (MHP) HB 2 budget is the largest source of state special authority in the agency and includes revenues from a few different sources primarily including state diesel and gas tax revenue. The MBCC budget is funded primarily with federal special revenues in the 2027 biennium and accounts for nearly all of the total federal funding proposed for the agency.

State special revenue funds additional statutory appropriations and is principally used for grants and distributions for the 9-1-1 system and the 911 Next Gen project. Federal special revenues fund a small portion of the statutory appropriations for the support of state and local law enforcement programs.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		Department o HB 2 Base B		djustments				
			FY 2026		-		FY 2027			
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	47,633,697	86,754,933	15,562,601 ⁻	152,084,128	91.1%	47,633,697	86,754,933	15,562,601 1	52,084,128	94.2%
Statewide PL Personal Services Fixed Costs Inflation Deflation Total Statewide PL Present Law (PL) New Proposals	932,545 95,926 (15,432) 1,013,039 0 (743,356)	(425,559) 620,539	0 (1)	534,417 68,641 (15,579) 587,479 620,539 13,733,674	0.3% 0.0% (0.0%) 0.4% 8.2%	1,021,710 (39,911) (10,431) 971,368 0 (443,356)	(291,756) (27,285) (98) (319,139) 620,539 8,476,964	0 (1)	729,954 (67,196) (10,530) 652,228 620,539 8,033,608	0.5% (0.0%) (0.0%) 0.4% 0.4% 5.0%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	269,683	14,672,010	(1)	14,941,692	8.9%	528,012	8,778,364	(1)	9,306,375	5.8%
Total Budget	47,903,380	101,426,943	15,562,600 ⁻	167,025,820		48,161,709	95,533,297	15,562,600 1	61,390,503	

Language

If HB 85 is not passed and approved, the Montana Highway Patrol is increased by \$2,000,000 general fund in FY 2026 and \$2,000,000 general fund in FY 2027.

If SB 324 is not passed and approved, the Montana Highway Patrol is decreased by \$3,298,615 state special revenue in FY 2026 and FY 2027 and is increased by \$2,698,615 general fund in FY 2026 and FY 2027. Additionally, if SB 324 is not passed and approved, the Montana Board of Crime Control is decreased by \$2,000,000 state special revenue in FY 2026 and FY 2027 and is increased by \$2,000,000 general fund in FY 2026 and FY 2027.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base	
FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
60.00	61.00	61.00	1.00	0.8%	
8,579,466	9,544,497	9,543,390	1,928,955	11.2%	
1,165,506	1,165,506	1,165,506		0.0%	
229,485	229,485	229,485		0.0%	
9,974,457	10,939,488	10,938,381	1,928,955	9.7%	
7,414,421	7,504,517	7,501,993	177,668	1.2%	
2,354,814	2,729,749	2,731,166	751,287	16.0%	
	500,000	500,000	1,000,000	0.0%	
9,000	9,000	9,000		0.0%	
196,222	196,222	196,222		0.0%	
9,974,457	10,939,488	10,938,381	1,928,955	9.7%	
9,974,457	10,439,488	10,438,381	928,955	4.7%	
1,617,533	500,000	500,000	(2,235,066)	(69.1%)	
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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	7,094,737	7,365,777	7,529,154	7,504,517	7,501,993
Operating Expenses	2,997,091	3,409,380	3,857,614	2,729,749	2,731,166
Benefits & Claims		, , ,	3,857,014	500,000	500,000
Transfers	0	0 9.000	-	,	,
		- ,	9,000	9,000	9,000
Debt Service	5,387	113,842	196,222	196,222	196,222
Total Expenditures	\$10,097,215	\$10,897,999	\$11,591,990	\$10,939,488	\$10,938,381
General Fund	8,882,114	9,656,802	10,196,999	9,544,497	9,543,390
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,014,494	1,015,448	1,165,506	1,165,506	1,165,506
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	200,607	225,749	229,485	229,485	229,485
Total Funds	\$10,097,215	\$10,897,999	\$11,591,990	\$10,939,488	\$10,938,381
Total Ongoing	\$9,196,261	\$9,280,859	\$9,974,457	\$10,439,488	\$10,438,381
Total OTO	\$900,954	\$1,617,140	\$1,617,533	\$500,000	\$500,000

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Funding

General fund accounts for the majority of the Legal Services Division's (LSD) HB 2 budget. The cost of major litigation is entirely supported by general fund. Each of the various functions within LSD has a unique funding source. Attorneys are supported by general fund, state special revenue from consumer education settlement funds, and other state special revenues generated from agreements with other state agencies. The prosecution of hunting violations is funded by the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks and for workers' compensation violations, funded by the Montana State Fund, upon occurrence.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20;		egal Service. HB 2 Base F	s Division Budget and Ac	liustments				
		20.	FY 2026			Juotinonito		FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	8,579,466	1,165,506	229,485	9,974,457	91.2%	8,579,466	1,165,506	229,485	9,974,457	91.2%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	(40,681)	0	0	(40,681)	(0.4%)	(43,205)	0	0	(43,205)	(0.4%)
Fixed Costs	(620,691)	0	0	(620,691)	(5.7%)	(620,691)	0	0	(620,691)	(5.7%)
Inflation Deflation	(4,374)	0	0	(4,374)	(0.0%)	(2,957)	0	0	(2,957)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	(665,746)	0	0	(665,746)	(6.1%)	(666,853)	0	0	(666,853)	(6.1%)
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	1,630,777	0	0	1,630,777	14.9%	1,630,777	0	0	1,630,777	14.9%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	965,031	0	0	965,031	8.8%	963,924	0	0	963,924	8.8%
Total Budget	9,544,497	1,165,506	229,485	10,939,488		9,543,390	1,165,506	229,485	10,938,381	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027				
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Serv	/ices									
	0.00	(40,681)	0	0	(40,681)	0.00	(43,205)	0	0	(43,20
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
	0.00	(620,691)	0	0	(620,691)	0.00	(620,691)	0	0	(620,69 ⁻
DP 3 - Inflation Defla	ition	. ,			. ,		. ,			
	0.00	(4,374)	0	0	(4,374)	0.00	(2,957)	0	0	(2,95
Grand Total A	l Present	Law Adjustm	ents							
	0.00	(\$665,746)	\$0	\$0	(\$665,746)	0.00	(\$666,853)	\$0	\$0	(\$666,853

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 101 - NRDP	New Claims A	Authority (RST,	BIEN, OTO)								
	0.00	500,000	0	0	500,000	0.00	500,000	0	0	500,000	
DP 102 - Litigati	ion Funding (R	ST, BIEN)									
-	0.00	1,000,000	0	0	1,000,000	0.00	1,000,000	0	0	1,000,000	
DP 103 - PSB A	ttorney										
	1.00	130.777	0	0	130.777	1.00	130,777	0	0	130,777	
Total	1.00	\$1,630,777	\$0	\$0	\$1,630,777	1.00	\$1,630,777	\$0	\$0	\$1,630,777	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 101 - NRDP New Claims Authority (RST, BIEN, OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time-only general fund for the Natural Resource Damage Program (NDRP) to use in determining and quantifying the level of injured natural resources and the actions/costs needed to return injured resources to baseline conditions at sites where natural resource damage claims are being made by the NRDP.

DP 102 - Litigation Funding (RST, BIEN) -

The legislature approved restricted and biennial general fund to provide for resources such as experts, outside counsel, and increased costs in courts nationwide. Additionally, the appropriation will provide funding to pay for litigation expenses such as discovery costs, technical support, trial preparation, and in some cases, attorney fees and costs.

DP 103 - PSB Attorney -

The legislature adopted 1.00 additional attorney position and associated general fund within the Prosecution Services Bureau.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
РВ	320.09	320.09	320.09	0.00	0.0%
General Fund	2,032,394	2,032,394	2,032,394		0.0%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	50,243,154	58,235,378	52,323,524	10,072,594	10.0%
Total Funds	52,275,548	60,267,772	54,355,918	10,072,594	9.6%
Personal Services	34,243,617	36,538,877	36,626,977	4,678,620	6.8%
Operating Expenses	12,138,104	11,503,000	11,503,046	(1,270,162)	(5.2%)
Equipment & Intangible Assets	2,917,995	3,317,995	3,317,995	800,000	13.7%
Debt Service	2,975,832	8,907,900	2,907,900	5,864,136	98.5%
Total Expenditures	52,275,548	60,267,772	54,355,918	10,072,594	9.6%
Total Ongoing	52,275,548	54,267,772	54,355,918	4,072,594	3.9%
Total One-Time-Only	400,000	6,000,000		5,200,000	650.0%

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

General Fund State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,941,151 48,143,630	1,941,164 48,881,530	2,032,394 50,643,154	2,032,394 58,235,378	2,032,39 52,323,52
Total Expenditures	\$50,084,781	\$50,822,694	\$52,675,548	\$60,267,772	\$54,355,91
Debt Service	2,912,365	2,975,832	2,975,832	8,907,900	2,907,90
Benefits & Claims	0	30,000	0	0	0,011,00
Equipment & Intangible Assets	4,817,326	4,367,995	3,317,995	3,317,995	3,317,99
Personal Services Operating Expenses	32,496,269 9,858,821	32,347,037 11,101,830	34,243,617 12,138,104	36,538,877 11,503,000	36,626,97 11,503,04
Budget Item	Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2027

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Funding

The HB 2 budget for the MHP is supported primarily with state special revenue. Most of the HB 2 costs are funded by the MHP Highway State Special account which received revenues from gas and diesel tax. Remaining state special revenues are primarily derived from the Highway Patrol Pay & Retention account.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

	202				ljustments				
		FY 2026		-	-		FY 2027		
General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
2,032,394	50,243,154	0	52,275,548	86.7%	2,032,394	50,243,154	0	52,275,548	96.2%
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	,,		,,	13.3%		, ,		, ,	3.8%
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Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027				
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Serv	vices									
	0.00	0	(403,355)	0	(403,355)	0.00	0	(315,255)	0	(315,255
DP 2 - Fixed Costs			· ,		. ,			. ,		
	0.00	0	(902,895)	0	(902,895)	0.00	0	(902,895)	0	(902,89
DP 3 - Inflation Defla	ition									X
	0.00	0	(141)	0	(141)	0.00	0	(95)	0	(95
Grand Total Al	I Present	Law Adjust	ments							
	0.00	\$0	(\$1,306,391)	\$0	(\$1,306,391)	0.00	\$0	(\$1,218,245)	\$0	(\$1,218,24

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027				
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	РВ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 304 - MHP F	unding Switch									
	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0
DP 305 - Equipn	nent Expenses									
	0.00	0	400,000	0	400,000	0.00	0	400,000	0	400,000
DP 306 - In-Car	and Body Carr	nera System	Expenses							
	0.00	0	200,000	0	200,000	0.00	0	200,000	0	200,000
DP 307 - Statew	ide Radio Loai	n Payoff (OT	C)							
	0.00	0	6,000,000	0	6,000,000	0.00	0	0	0	0
DP 311 - Highwa	ay Patrol Salar	y Survey								
-	0.00	0	2,698,615	0	2,698,615	0.00	0	2,698,615	0	2,698,615
Total	0.00	\$0	\$9,298,615	\$0	\$9,298,615	0.00	\$0	\$3,298,615	\$0	\$3,298,615

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 304 - MHP Funding Switch -

The legislature adopted the movement of state special revenue authority from the MHP State Special Revenue Fund to the MHP Pay and Retention Fund.

DP 305 - Equipment Expenses -

The legislature adopted additional state special revenue for equipment purchases. Funding provided is contingent upon the passage and approval of SB 324.

DP 306 - In-Car and Body Camera System Expenses -

The legislature adopted funding to maintain its camera systems in the highway patrol. Funding provided is contingent upon the passage and approval of SB 324.

DP 307 - Statewide Radio Loan Payoff (OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time-only state special revenue authority from the Public Service Radio account to pay off statewide radio loans provided for by the 2023 Legislature.

DP 311 - Highway Patrol Salary Survey -

The legislature adopted state special revenue authority to implement a pay increase for patrol troopers. The source of funds is contingent upon the passage and approval of SB 324. If SB 324 is not passed and approved, general fund authority will be provided instead of state special revenue.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	+	Biennium Change	from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	125.75	125.75	125.75	0.00	0.0%
General Fund	11,667,002	11,864,592	11,917,997	448,585	1.9%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	5,342,739	5,209,755	5,214,811	(260,912)	(2.4%
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	1,120,911	1,120,910	1,120,910	(2)	(0.0%
Total Funds	18,130,652	18,195,257	18,253,718	187,671	0.5%
Personal Services	11,621,358	11,828,667	11,885,333	471,284	2.0%
Operating Expenses	4,874,671	4,731,967	4,733,762	(283,613)	(2.9%
Equipment & Intangible Assets	123,452	123,452	123,452		0.0%
Grants	161,950	161,950	161,950		0.0%
Benefits & Claims	810,269	810,269	810,269		0.0%
Transfers	30,962	30,962	30,962		0.0%
Debt Service	507,990	507,990	507,990		0.0%
Total Expenditures	18,130,652	18,195,257	18,253,718	187,671	0.5%
Total Ongoing	18,130,652	18,175,257	18,233,718	147,671	0.4%
Total One-Time-Only		20,000	20,000	40,000	0.0%

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	11,122,796	11,330,797	11,621,358	11,828,667	11,885,333
Operating Expenses	4,287,325	4,393,271	4,874,671	4,731,967	4,733,762
Equipment & Intangible Assets	407,789	447,923	123,452	123,452	123,452
Grants	110,000	117,964	161,950	161,950	161,950
Benefits & Claims	741,669	823,095	810,269	810,269	810,269
Transfers	0	5,771	30,962	30,962	30,962
Debt Service	595,433	594,415	507,990	507,990	507,990
Total Expenditures	\$17,265,012	\$17,713,236	\$18,130,652	\$18,195,257	\$18,253,718
General Fund	11,458,574	11,582,449	11,667,002	11,864,592	11,917,997
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	4,880,885	5,017,292	5,342,739	5,209,755	5,214,811
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	925,553	1,113,495	1,120,911	1,120,910	1,120,910
Total Funds	\$17,265,012	\$17,713,236	\$18,130,652	\$18,195,257	\$18,253,718
Total Ongoing	\$17,265,012	\$17,713,236	\$18,130,652	\$18,175,257	\$18,233,718
Total OTO	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000

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Funding

The Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) is supported by a combination of general fund and state and federal special revenue. General fund supports criminal investigations, fire prevention and investigation, state matching funds for Medicaid fraud investigators, drug task forces, the computer crime unit, sexual and violent offender registry, Amber Alert, and the child sexual abuse response team. General fund comprises the majority of funds for the 2027 biennium.

State special revenue makes up most of the remaining appropriations. The three largest sources of state special revenue supporting DCI are criminal justice information network revenue that supports itself, revenue from criminal justice background checks that are paid in exchange for completion of the background check and from revenue resulting from litigation settlements.

The largest source of federal state special revenue is Medicaid funding that supports investigations of Medicaid fraud. Additionally, the division has some statutory appropriations which include funding for crime victim compensation.

Funding for assistance to crime victims comes from the general fund, state special revenue funds, and federal grants. Small amounts of statutory authority for crime victims' compensation is established in 53-9-113, MCA.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202		on of Crimina HB 2 Base E						
			FY 2026		0			FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	11,667,002	5,342,739	1,120,911	18,130,652	99.6%	11,667,002	5,342,739	1,120,911	18,130,652	99.3%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	360,293	(152,984)	0	207,309	1.1%	411,903	(147,928)	0	263,975	1.4%
Fixed Costs	(157,164)	0	0	(157,164)	(0.9%)	(157,164)	0	0	(157,164)	(0.9%)
Inflation Deflation	(5,539)	0	(1)	(5,540)	(0.0%)	(3,744)	0	(1)		(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	197,590	(152,984)	(1)	44,605	0.2%	250,995	(147,928)	(1)	103,066	0.6%
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	0	20,000	0	20,000	0.1%	0	20,000	0	20,000	0.1%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	197,590	(132,984)	(1)	64,605	0.4%	250,995	(127,928)	(1)	123,066	0.7%
Total Budget	11,864,592	5,209,755	1,120,910	18,195,257		11,917,997	5,214,811	1,120,910	18,253,718	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027				
I	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	РВ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Serv	/ices									
	0.00	360,293	(152,984)	0	207,309	0.00	411,903	(147,928)	0	263,97
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
	0.00	(157,164)	0	0	(157,164)	0.00	(157,164)	0	0	(157,16
DP 3 - Inflation Deflat	tion				,					
	0.00	(5,539)	0	(1)	(5,540)	0.00	(3,744)	0	(1)	(3,74
Grand Total All	l Present	Law Adjustm	ents							
	0.00	\$197,590	(\$152,984)	(\$1)	\$44,605	0.00	\$250.995	(\$147,928)	(\$1)	\$103,06

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026		Fiscal 2027					
	РВ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 501 - Fundii	ng Missing Indi	genous Persoi	n's Task Force	e (O						
	0.00	0	20,000	0	20,000	0.00	0	20,000	0	20,00
Total	0.00	\$0	\$20.000	\$0	\$20,000	0.00	\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,00

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 501 - Funding Missing Indigenous Person's Task Force (O -

The legislature adopted additional state special revenue to fund operations of the Missing Indigenous Person's Task Force. A transfer of general fund is included in the 2025 Section D companion bill to the state special revenue account included in HB 83.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison						
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	39.99	39.99	39.99	0.00	0.0%	
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	3,149,538	2,945,412	2,952,850	(400,814)	(6.4%	
Proprietary Funds	1,513,970	1,513,970	1,513,970		0.0%	
Total Funds	4,663,508	4,459,382	4,466,820	(400,814)	(4.3%)	
Personal Services	3,799,440	3,689,314	3,696,750	(212,816)	(2.8%	
Operating Expenses	653,878	559,878	559,880	(187,998)	(14.4%	
Equipment & Intangible Assets	82,860	82,860	82,860		0.0%	
Debt Service	127,330	127,330	127,330		0.0%	
Total Expenditures	4,663,508	4,459,382	4,466,820	(400,814)	(4.3%)	
Total Ongoing	4,663,508	4,459,382	4,466,820	(400,814)	(4.3%)	
Total One-Time-Only					0.0%	

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027	
Personal Services	3,132,131	3,201,765	3,799,440	3,689,314	3,696,75	
Operating Expenses	283,220	329,325	653,878	559,878	559,88	
Equipment & Intangible Assets	66,946	82,860	82,860	82,860	82,86	
Debt Service	206,168	256,830	127,330	127,330	127,33	
Total Expenditures	\$3,688,465	\$3,870,780	\$4,663,508	\$4,459,382	\$4,466,820	
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	2,404,764	2,431,213	3,149,538	2,945,412	2,952,85	
Proprietary Funds	1,283,701	1,439,567	1,513,970	1,513,970	1,513,97	
Total Funds	\$3,688,465	\$3,870,780	\$4,663,508	\$4,459,382	\$4,466,820	
Total Ongoing	\$3,688,465	\$3,870,780	\$4,663,508	\$4,459,382	\$4,466,82	
Total OTO	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$	

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Funding

The HB 2 budget in the Gambling Control Division (GCD) is funded primarily by state special revenue generated from gambling licensing fees. Liquor licensing fees (a proprietary fund) support other GCD functions related to liquor licensing. A small amount of funding from the tobacco settlement state special revenue account supports activities related to enforcement of settlement provisions. Statutory appropriations of state special revenue provide for distribution of local government portions of gambling license fees.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202		ambling Cont HB 2 Base E	rol Division Budget and Ac	ljustments				
				FY 2027						
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	0	3,149,538	0	4,663,508	104.6%	0	3,149,538	0	4,663,508	104.4%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	0	(110,126)	0	(110,126)	(2.5%)	0	(102,690)	0	(102,690)	(2.3%)
Fixed Costs	0	(93,995)	0	(93,995)	(2.1%)	0	(93,995)	0	(93,995)	(2.1%)
Inflation Deflation	0	(5)	0	(5)	(0.0%)	0	(3)	0	(3)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	0	(204,126)	0	(204,126)	(4.6%)	0	(196,688)	0	(196,688)	(4.4%)
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	0	(204,126)	0	(204,126)	(4.6%)	0	(196,688)	0	(196,688)	(4.4%)
Total Budget	0	2,945,412	0	4,459,382		0	2,952,850	0	4,466,820	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

	Fiscal 2026Fiscal 2026						Fiscal 2027					
F	B	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds		
DP 1 - Personal Servi	ces											
	0.00	0	(110,126)	0	(110,126)	0.00	0	(102,690)	0	(102,690		
DP 2 - Fixed Costs												
	0.00	0	(93,995)	0	(93,995)	0.00	0	(93,995)	0	(93,995		
DP 3 - Inflation Deflati	on											
	0.00	0	(5)	0	(5)	0.00	0	(3)	0	(3		
Grand Total All	Present	Law Adjustn	nents									
	0.00	\$0	(\$204,126)	\$0	(\$204,126)	0.00	\$0	(\$196,688)	\$0	(\$196,688		

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.
The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	45.80	49.50	49.50	3.70	4.0%
General Fund	6,745,954	6,796,233	6,816,056	120,381	0.9%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,889,775	1,889,775	1,889,775		0.0%
Total Funds	8,635,729	8,686,008	8,705,831	120,381	0.7%
Personal Services	5,467,585	5,945,359	5,965,117	975,306	8.9%
Operating Expenses	2,625,857	2,244,069	2,244,134	(763,511)	(14.5%)
Equipment & Intangible Assets	226,000	226,000	226,000		0.0%
Debt Service	316,287	270,580	270,580	(91,414)	(14.5%)
Total Expenditures	8,635,729	8,686,008	8,705,831	120,381	0.7%
Total Ongoing	8,635,729	8,686,008	8,705,831	120,381	0.7%
Total One-Time-Only					0.0%

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	5,757,190	5,233,499	5,467,585	5,945,359	5,965,117
Operating Expenses	1,332,901	1,854,624	2,625,857	2,244,069	2,244,134
Equipment & Intangible Assets	1,241,989	1,246,824	226,000	226,000	226,000
Debt Service	263,370	267,463	316,287	270,580	270,580
Total Expenditures	\$8,595,450	\$8,602,410	\$8,635,729	\$8,686,008	\$8,705,831
General Fund	6,768,314	6,769,150	6,745,954	6,796,233	6,816,056
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,827,136	1,833,260	1,889,775	1,889,775	1,889,775
Total Funds	\$8,595,450	\$8,602,410	\$8,635,729	\$8,686,008	\$8,705,831
Total Ongoing	\$8,595,450	\$8,602,410	\$8,635,729	\$8,686,008	\$8,705,831

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Funding

The HB 2 budget for the Forensic Sciences Division (FSD) is funded entirely with general fund and state special revenues. The FSD Autopsy and Service Fees account, authorized by the 2017 Legislature, provides most of the state special revenue in the division while some authority comes from the MHP state special revenue account.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202		orensic Scien HB 2 Base E	ce Division Budget and Ac	ljustments				
			FY 2026					FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	6,745,954	1,889,775	0	8,635,729	99.4%	6,745,954	1,889,775	0	8,635,729	99.2%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	41,244	0	0	41,244	0.5%	61,002	0	0	61,002	0.7%
Fixed Costs	(110,764)	0	0	(110,764)	(1.3%)	(110,764)	0	0	(110,764)	(1.3%)
Inflation Deflation	(201)	0	0	(201)	(0.0%)	(136)	0	0	(136)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	(69,721)	0	0	(69,721)	(0.8%)	(49,898)	0	0	(49,898)	(0.6%)
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	120,000	0	0	120,000	1.4%	120,000	0	0	120,000	1.4%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	50,279	0	0	50,279	0.6%	70,102	0	0	70,102	0.8%
Total Budget	6,796,233	1,889,775	0	8,686,008		6,816,056	1,889,775	0	8,705,831	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026					Fiscal 2027		
F	≥В	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Serv	ices									
	0.00	41,244	0	0	41,244	0.00	61,002	0	0	61,00
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
	0.00	(110,764)	0	0	(110,764)	0.00	(110,764)	0	0	(110,764
DP 3 - Inflation Deflat	tion	. ,			. ,		. ,			
	0.00	(201)	0	0	(201)	0.00	(136)	0	0	(136
Grand Total All	Present	Law Adjustm	ents							
	0.00	(\$69,721)	\$0	\$0	(\$69,721)	0.00	(\$49,898)	\$0	\$0	(\$49,898

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026					-Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 801 - Make 3	3 DNA modified	d permanent,	Reduce Opera	ating Expense						
	3.00	0	0	0	0	3.00	0	0	0	0
DP 802 - Adjust	Part-Time PB	to Full-Time								
	0.70	0	0	0	0	0.70	0	0	0	0
DP 803 - Provid	e Authority to H	lire a Medical	Examiner (RS	ST, BIEN)						
	0.00	120,000	`0	0	120,000	0.00	120,000	0	0	120,000
Total	3.70	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	3.70	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$120,000

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 801 - Make 3 DNA modified permanent, Reduce Operating Expense -

The legislature adopted transitioning 3.00 modified PB DNA forensic scientist positions to permanent and adopted an associated switch from operating expense authority to personal service authority.

DP 802 - Adjust Part-Time PB to Full-Time -

The executive requests changing a modified 0.30 PB to a full time permanently budgeted position. The executive requested a corresponding switch between personal service and operating expenses and has not asked for any additional authority.

DP 803 - Provide Authority to Hire a Medical Examiner (RST, BIEN) -

The legislature adopted additional general fund to aid the Department in raising pay for medical examiner positions.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	151.05	151.05	151.05	0.00	0.0%
General Fund	7,963,025	5,882,243	5,895,425	(4,148,382)	(26.0%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	15,794,692	19,331,191	19,335,729	7,077,536	22.4%
Proprietary Funds	554,208	554,208	554,208		0.0%
Total Funds	24,311,925	25,767,642	25,785,362	2,929,154	6.0%
Personal Services	9,644,203	10,824,598	10,840,919	2,377,111	12.3%
Operating Expenses	13,743,470	13,818,792	13,820,191	152,043	0.6%
Equipment & Intangible Assets	164,028	164,028	164,028		0.0%
Local Assistance	25,000	225,000	225,000	400,000	800.0%
Transfers	408,124	408,124	408,124		0.0%
Debt Service	327,100	327,100	327,100		0.0%
Total Expenditures	24,311,925	25,767,642	25,785,362	2,929,154	6.0%
Total Ongoing	24,311,925	25,767,642	25,785,362	2,929,154	6.0%
Total One-Time-Only					0.0%

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

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, ,		9,644,203	10,824,598	10,840,919
	11,832,060	13,743,470	13,818,792	13,820,191
131.768	131.768	164.028	164.028	164,028
25,691	25,000	25,000	225,000	225,000
,	,	,	,	408,124
517,336	509,360	327,100	327,100	327,100
\$22,389,400	\$24,447,773	\$24,311,925	\$25,767,642	\$25,785,362
7.870.348	7.878.723	7.963.025	5.882.243	5,895,425
13,964,844	16,014,842	15,794,692	19,331,191	19,335,729
554,208	554,208	554,208	554,208	554,208
\$22,389,400	\$24,447,773	\$24,311,925	\$25,767,642	\$25,785,362
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Funding

Within HB 2, drivers' licensing, vehicle titling, and other registration functions are supported by the general fund and MVD administrative fee state special revenue account. State special revenues are generated through various taxes and fees related to the owning and operating of motor vehicles. Proprietary funds collected from fees charged for e-government services support online web-based services that may be used by the public.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202		Motor Vehicle 1 HB 2 Base E		diustments				
	_	-	FY 2026		5	FY 2027				
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	7,963,025	15,794,692	0	24,311,925	94.4%	7,963,025	15,794,692	0	24,311,925	94.3%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	510,396	669,999	0	1,180,395	4.6%	522,179	674,537	0	1,196,716	4.6%
Fixed Costs	(92,728)	(448,172)	0	(540,900)	(2.1%)	(92,728)	(448,172)	0	(540,900)	(2.1%)
Inflation Deflation	(4,317)	0	0	(4,317)	(0.0%)	(2,918)	0	0	(2,918)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	413,351	221,827	0	635,178	2.5%	426,533	226,365	0	652,898	2.5%
Present Law (PL)	0	620,539	0	620,539	2.4%	0	620,539	0	620,539	2.4%
New Proposals	(2,494,133)	2,694,133	0	200,000	0.8%	(2,494,133)	2,694,133	0	200,000	0.8%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	(2,080,782)	3,536,499	0	1,455,717	5.6%	(2,067,600)	3,541,037	0	1,473,437	5.7%
Total Budget	5,882,243	19,331,191	0	25,767,642		5,895,425	19,335,729	0	25,785,362	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

		Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 1 - Personal Services										
0.00	510,396	669,999	0	1,180,395	0.00	522,179	674,537	0	1,196,716	
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
0.00	(92,728)	(448,172)	0	(540,900)	0.00	(92,728)	(448,172)	0	(540,900	
DP 3 - Inflation Deflation										
0.00	(4,317)	0	0	(4,317)	0.00	(2,918)	0	0	(2,918	
DP 902 - Postage and Mailing	Inflation									
0.00	0	170,539	0	170,539	0.00	0	170,539	0	170,539	
DP 903 - CARS Maintenance	Funding									
0.00	0	450,000	0	450,000	0.00	0	450,000	0	450,000	
Grand Total All Present	Law Adjustm	ents								
0.00	\$413,351	\$842,366	\$0	\$1,255,717	0.00	\$426,533	\$846,904	\$0	\$1,273,437	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

DP 902 - Postage and Mailing Inflation -

The legislature adopted additional state special revenue to cover inflation in costs for postage and mailing fees.

DP 903 - CARS Maintenance Funding -

The legislature adopted additional funding to be used for programming fees, AWS hosting, and any additional maintenance costs associated with the new CARS system.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026					-Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 901 - Suppo	rt for County	Offices								
	0.00	0	200,000	0	200,000	0.00	0	200,000	0	200,00
DP 904 - MVD F	unding Switc	h								
	0.00	(2,494,133)	2,494,133	0	0	0.00	(2,494,133)	2,494,133	0	
Total	0.00	(\$2,494,133)	\$2,694,133	\$0	\$200.000	0.00	(\$2,494,133)	\$2.694.133	\$0	\$200,00

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 901 - Support for County Offices -

The legislature adopted additional state special revenue to support the costs of county partners processing Motor Vehicle Division transactions for Montana residents. Costs include printing (paper and toner) registrations and receipts for vehicles, recreational vehicles, ATV's, boats, motorcycles, snowmobiles, and trailers.

DP 904 - MVD Funding Switch -

The legislature adopted a fund switch moving authority from the general fund to the Real ID state special revenue fund.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	66.48	66.48	66.48	0.00	0.0%
General Fund	8,349,349	9,523,182	9,399,194	2,223,678	13.3%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	5,549,966	7,019,824	7,019,824	2,939,716	26.5%
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	3,664	3,664	3,664		0.0%
Proprietary Funds	64,719	64,719	64,719		0.0%
Total Funds	13,967,698	16,611,389	16,487,401	5,163,394	18.5%
Personal Services	6,607,032	6,711,791	6,717,576	215,303	1.6%
Operating Expenses	6,811,315	9,350,247	9,220,474	4,948,091	36.3%
Local Assistance	1	1	1		0.0%
Benefits & Claims	400,000	400,000	400,000		0.0%
Debt Service	149,350	149,350	149,350		0.0%
Total Expenditures	13,967,698	16,611,389	16,487,401	5,163,394	18.5%
Total Ongoing Total One-Time-Only	13,967,698	16,611,389	16,487,401	5,163,394	18.5% 0.0%

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	5,980,169	6,021,353	6,607,032	6,711,791	6,717,576
Operating Expenses	6,413,192	6,622,202	6,811,315	9,350,247	9,220,474
Equipment & Intangible Assets	1,512,809	2,320,000	0	0	C
Local Assistance	0	1	1	1	1
Benefits & Claims	0	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
Debt Service	258,507	249,350	149,350	149,350	149,350
Total Expenditures	\$14,164,677	\$15,612,906	\$13,967,698	\$16,611,389	\$16,487,401
General Fund	9,180,853	10,212,603	8,349,349	9,523,182	9,399,194
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	4,925,766	5,333,556	5,549,966	7,019,824	7,019,824
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	1,945	3,664	3,664	3,664	3,664
Proprietary Funds	56,113	63,083	64,719	64,719	64,719
Total Funds	\$14,164,677	\$15,612,906	\$13,967,698	\$16,611,389	\$16,487,401
Total Ongoing	\$12,886,163	\$13,522,906	\$13,967,698	\$16,611,389	\$16,487,401

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Funding

The Central Services Division (CSD) is funded by allocations of department-wide costs among the various funding sources. General fund provides the largest portion of the adopted HB 2 funding. Within the state special revenue funding, the largest source is the MVD administrative fee account. Additional state special funding comes primarily from the MHP Highway State Special account, Motor Vehicle Division MERLIN funds, and other smaller sources. Proprietary funds from liquor licensing fees provide the remainder of HB 2 funding.

General fund also supports statutory appropriations that provide roughly half of county attorneys' salaries and group benefits contributions. State special revenue statutory appropriations fund 9-1-1 grants and distributions for the operations and maintenance of 9-1-1 call centers across the state. Other state special and federal special revenue statutory appropriations make use of drug forfeiture proceeds for the enforcement of drug laws and for support of state and local law enforcement programs, respectively.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		entral Service HB 2 Base E	es Division Budget and Ac	djustments				
			FY 2026					FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	8,349,349	5,549,966	3,664	13,967,698	84.1%	8,349,349	5,549,966	3,664	13,967,698	84.7%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	104,759	0	0	104,759	0.6%	110,544	0	0	110,544	0.7%
Fixed Costs	1,070,086	1,469,858	0	2,539,944	15.3%	939,984	1,469,858	0	2,409,842	14.6%
Inflation Deflation	(1,012)	0	0	(1,012)	(0.0%)	(683)	0	0	(683)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	1,173,833	1,469,858	0	2,643,691	15.9%	1,049,845	1,469,858	0	2,519,703	15.3%
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	1,173,833	1,469,858	0	2,643,691	15.9%	1,049,845	1,469,858	0	2,519,703	15.3%
Total Budget	9,523,182	7,019,824	3,664	16,611,389		9,399,194	7,019,824	3,664	16,487,401	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027				
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Serv	/ices									
	0.00	104,759	0	0	104,759	0.00	110,544	0	0	110,544
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
	0.00	1,070,086	1,469,858	0	2,539,944	0.00	939,984	1,469,858	0	2,409,842
DP 3 - Inflation Deflat	tion									
	0.00	(1,012)	0	0	(1,012)	0.00	(683)	0	0	(683)
Grand Total Al	l Present	Law Adjustm	ients							
	0.00	\$1,173,833	\$1,469,858	\$0	\$2,643,691	0.00	\$1,049,845	\$1,469,858	\$0	\$2,519,703

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	et	Biennium Change	from Base	
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	2.99	4.49	4.49	1.50	25.1%	
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	625,543	622,897	622,897	(5,292)	(0.4%)	
Total Funds	625,543	622,897	622,897	(5,292)	(0.4%)	
Personal Services	400,480	400,480	400,480		0.0%	
Operating Expenses	183,063	180,417	180,417	(5,292)	(1.4%)	
Transfers	42,000	42,000	42,000		0.0%	
Total Expenditures	625,543	622,897	622,897	(5,292)	(0.4%)	
Total Ongoing Total One-Time-Only	625,543	622,897	622,897	(5,292)	(0.4%) 0.0%	

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	376.977	379.800	400.480	400.480	400,480
Operating Expenses	147,517	190,746	183,063	180,417	180,417
Transfers	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000
Total Expenditures	\$566,494	\$612,546	\$625,543	\$622,897	\$622,897
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	566,494	612,546	625,543	622,897	622,89
Total Funds	\$566,494	\$612,546	\$625,543	\$622,897	\$622,89
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$566,494 \$0	\$612,546 \$0	\$625,543 \$0	\$622,897 \$0	\$622,89 \$

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Funding

As outlined in HB 2 language from the 2023 Session, the POST Council is funded entirely from the MLEA state special revenue account which receives revenue from licenses and permits, charges for services like tuition, and from MLEA generated revenues.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202	27 Biennium	Post Cou HB 2 Base E	uncil Budget and Ac	djustments				
			FY 2026		0			FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	0	625,543	0	625,543	100.4%	0	625,543	0	625,543	100.4%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	0	(114,282)	0	(114,282)	(18.3%)	0	(114,216)	0	(114,216)	(18.3%)
Fixed Costs	0	(2,646)	0	(2,646)	(0.4%)	0	(2,646)	0	(2,646)	(0.4%)
Inflation Deflation	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total Statewide PL	0	(116,928)	0	(116,928)	(18.8%)	0	(116,862)	0	(116,862)	(18.8%)
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	0	114,282	0	114,282	18.3%	0	114,216	0	114,216	18.3%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	0	(2,646)	0	(2,646)	(0.4%)	0	(2,646)	0	(2,646)	(0.4%)
Total Budget	0	622,897	0	622,897		0	622,897	0	622,897	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			-Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 1 - Personal Se											
DP 2 - Fixed Costs	0.00	0	(114,282)	0	(114,282)	0.00	0	(114,216)	0	(114,216	
DP 2 - Fixed Cosis	0.00	0	(2,646)	0	(2,646)	0.00	0	(2,646)	0	(2,646	
Grand Total	All Present	Law Adjustn	nents								
	0.00	\$0	(\$116,928)	\$0	(\$116,928)	0.00	\$0	(\$116,862)	\$0	(\$116,862	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026		Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1911 - Mal	ke 1.50 PB Mod	ified Positions	Permanent an	d Personal Se	rvi					
	1.50	0	114,282	0	114,282	1.50	0	114,216	0	114,21
Total	1.50	\$0	\$114.282	\$0	\$114.282	1.50	\$0	\$114.216	\$0	\$114,21

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1911 - Make 1.50 PB Permanent and Personal Services -

The legislature adopted making 1.50 modified PB permanent for the Public Safety Officer Standards and Training (POST) Council but also approved increased authority to offset DP 1 reductions to personal services.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	15.00	15.00	15.00	0.00	0.0%
General Fund	150,000	150,000	150,000		0.0%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	2,340,060	2,353,245	2,354,421	27,546	0.6%
Total Funds	2,490,060	2,503,245	2,504,421	27,546	0.6%
Personal Services	1,595,975	1,308,595	1,309,771	(573,584)	(18.0%)
Operating Expenses	754,560	1,055,125	1,055,125	601,130	39.8%
Transfers	11,295	11,295	11,295		0.0%
Debt Service	128,230	128,230	128,230		0.0%
Total Expenditures	2,490,060	2,503,245	2,504,421	27,546	0.6%
Total Ongoing	2,490,060	2,503,245	2,504,421	27,546	0.6%
Total One-Time-Only					0.0%

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Dadget tell			1100012020	1100012020	T IOGGI EGET
Personal Services	1,310,353	1,310,363	1,595,975	1,308,595	1,309,771
Operating Expenses	1,301,970	1,302,008	754,560	1,055,125	1,055,125
Equipment & Intangible Assets	28,651	28,651	0	0	C
Transfers	11,295	11,295	11,295	11,295	11,295
Debt Service	0	1	128,230	128,230	128,230
Total Expenditures	\$2,652,269	\$2,652,318	\$2,490,060	\$2,503,245	\$2,504,421
General Fund	150,001	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	2,502,268	2,502,318	2,340,060	2,353,245	2,354,421
Total Funds	\$2,652,269	\$2,652,318	\$2,490,060	\$2,503,245	\$2,504,421
Total Ongoing	\$2,652,269	\$2,652,318	\$2,490,060	\$2,503,245	\$2,504,421
Total OTO	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Funding

The MLEA is funded primarily through the MLEA state special revenue account established in 44-10-204, MCA. This fund receives revenue from licenses and permits, charges for services like tuition, and from MLEA generated revenues.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202			ement Acade Budget and Ac					
			FY 2026					FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	150,000	2,340,060	0	2,490,060	99.5%	150,000	2,340,060	0	2,490,060	99.4%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	0	(287,380)	0	(287,380)	(11.5%)	0	(286,204)	0	(286,204)	(11.4%)
Fixed Costs	0	(49,435)	0	(49,435)	(2.0%)	0	(49,435)	0	(49,435)	(2.0%)
Inflation Deflation	0	Ó	0	Ó	0.0%	0	Ó	0	0	0.0%
Total Statewide PL	0	(336,815)	0	(336,815)	(13.5%)	0	(335,639)	0	(335,639)	(13.4%)
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	0	350,000	0	350,000	14.0%	0	350,000	0	350,000	14.0%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	0	13,185	0	13,185	0.5%	0	14,361	0	14,361	0.6%
Total Budget	150,000	2,353,245	0	2,503,245		150,000	2,354,421	0	2,504,421	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 1 - Personal Se											
	0.00	0	(287,380)	0	(287,380)	0.00	0	(286,204)	0	(286,204	
DP 2 - Fixed Costs											
	0.00	0	(49,435)	0	(49,435)	0.00	0	(49,435)	0	(49,435	
Grand Total	All Present	Law Adiustr	nents								
	0.00	\$0	(\$336,815)	\$0	(\$336,815)	0.00	\$0	(\$335,639)	\$0	(\$335,639	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
	РВ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 2001 - MLE	A Authority Inc	rease									
	0.00	0	350,000	0	350,000	0.00	0	350,000	0	350,00	
Total	0.00	\$0	\$350,000	\$0	\$350,000	0.00	\$0	\$350,000	\$0	\$350,00	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 2001 - MLEA Authority Increase -

The legislature adopted additional state special revenue authority from the Montana Law Enforcement Academy state special revenue account to provide additional funding to maintain the MLEA complex infrastructure.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	18.00	18.00	18.00	0.00	0.0%
General Fund	2,146,507	2,110,239	2,407,253	224,478	5.2%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	653,960	2,653,960	2,653,960	4,000,000	305.8%
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	14,208,541	14,208,541	14,208,541		0.0%
Total Funds	17,009,008	18,972,740	19,269,754	4,224,478	12.4%
Personal Services	1,755,995	1,712,529	1,715,282	(84,179)	(2.4%)
Operating Expenses	1,179,807	1,187,005	1,181,266	8,657	0.4%
Equipment & Intangible Assets	12,909	12,909	12,909		0.0%
Grants	11,171,980	13,171,980	13,471,980	4,300,000	19.2%
Transfers	2,888,317	2,888,317	2,888,317		0.0%
Total Expenditures	17,009,008	18,972,740	19,269,754	4,224,478	12.4%
Total Ongoing	17,009,008	18,972,740	19,269,754	4,224,478	12.4%
Total One-Time-Only	2,000,000			(4,000,000)	(100.0%)

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Demonst Operations	4 500 000	4 707 000	4 755 005	4 740 500	4 745 000
Personal Services	1,569,802	1,707,696	1,755,995	1,712,529	1,715,282
Operating Expenses	474,980	1,160,816	1,179,807	1,187,005	1,181,266
Equipment & Intangible Assets	0	12,909	12,909	12,909	12,909
Grants	8,966,286	12,429,895	13,171,980	13,171,980	13,471,980
Transfers	755,905	2,888,317	2,888,317	2,888,317	2,888,317
Total Expenditures	\$11,766,973	\$18,199,633	\$19,009,008	\$18,972,740	\$19,269,754
General Fund	3,863,915	3,995,409	4,146,507	2,110,239	2,407,253
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	556,732	590,352	653,960	2,653,960	2,653,960
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	7,346,326	13,613,872	14,208,541	14,208,541	14,208,541
Total Funds	\$11,766,973	\$18,199,633	\$19,009,008	\$18,972,740	\$19,269,754
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$9,766,973 \$2,000,000	\$16,199,633 \$2,000,000	\$17,009,008 \$2,000,000	\$18,972,740 \$0	\$19,269,754 \$0

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Funding

The Montana Board of Crime Control (MBCC) is funded primarily with federal special revenue from federal passthrough grants, accounting for the majority of the adopted budget. General fund primarily supports agency operations, grant compliance and quality assurance activities, and grants to juvenile detention centers. State special revenue for the misdemeanor domestic violence intervention program and for crisis intervention training is administered by this agency. Federal funds administered by the agency come from federal grants, and most of these funds are pass-through funds that go to state and local agencies. The largest use of federal funds is for assistance to victims of crime including violence against women.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		Board of Crim I HB 2 Base E		ljustments					
			FY 2026		-	FY 2027					
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	
Base Budget	2,146,507	653,960	14,208,541	17,009,008	89.6%	2,146,507	653,960	14,208,541	17,009,008	88.3%	
Statewide PL											
Personal Services	(43,466)	0	0	(43,466)	(0.2%)	(40,713)	0	0	(40,713)	(0.2%)	
Fixed Costs	7,187	0	0	7,187	0.0%	1,452	0	0	1,452	0.0%	
Inflation Deflation	11	0	0	11	0.0%	7	0	0	7	0.0%	
Total Statewide PL	(36,268)	0	0	(36,268)	(0.2%)	(39,254)	0	0	(39,254)	(0.2%)	
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%	
New Proposals	0	2,000,000	0	2,000,000	10.5%	300,000	2,000,000	0	2,300,000	11.9%	
Total HB 2 Adjustments	(36,268)	2,000,000	0	1,963,732	10.4%	260,746	2,000,000	0	2,260,746	11.7%	
Total Budget	2,110,239	2,653,960	14,208,541	18,972,740		2,407,253	2,653,960	14,208,541	19,269,754		

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
P	B	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 1 - Personal Servi	ces										
	0.00	(43,466)	0	0	(43,466)	0.00	(40,713)	0	0	(40,713	
DP 2 - Fixed Costs											
	0.00	7,187	0	0	7,187	0.00	1,452	0	0	1,452	
DP 3 - Inflation Deflati	on										
	0.00	11	0	0	11	0.00	7	0	0	7	
Grand Total All	Present	Law Adjustm	ents								
	0.00	(\$36,268)	\$0	\$0	(\$36,268)	0.00	(\$39,254)	\$0	\$0	(\$39,254	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 2102 - Mov	e OTO VOCA f	unding to peri	manent.								
	0.00	0	2,000,000	0	2,000,000	0.00	0	2,000,000	0	2,000,000	
DP 2103 - Sup	plement Mentor	ring and Delin	quency Preven	tion Grants							
	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	300,000	0	0	300,000	
Total	0.00	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2.000.000	0.00	\$300,000	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,300,000	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 2102 - Move OTO VOCA funding to permanent. -

The legislature adopted additional state special revenue authority for victim services and grants to help offset reductions in federal Victim's of Crime Act (VOCA) funding. Provided funding is contingent upon the passing of SB 324.

DP 2103 - Supplement Mentoring and Delinquency Prevention Grants -

This legislature approved additional general fund authority in FY 2027 to supplement Title II Mentoring and Delinquency Prevention Grants to expand after-school programs.

Agency Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted by the legislature for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	38.00	41.50	41.50	3.50	4.6%	
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	5,302,697	6,084,993	5,833,221	1,312,820	12.4%	
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	273,760	273,760	273,760		0.0%	
Total Funds	5,576,457	6,358,753	6,106,981	1,312,820	11.8%	
Personal Services	4,231,891	4,692,141	4,697,520	925,879	10.9%	
Operating Expenses	1,017,668	1,339,714	1,082,563	386,941	19.0%	
Debt Service	326,898	326,898	326,898		0.0%	
Total Expenditures	5,576,457	6,358,753	6,106,981	1,312,820	11.8%	
Total Ongoing Total One-Time-Only	5,576,457	6,358,753	6,106,981	1,312,820	11.8% 0.0%	

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Agency Highlights

Public Service Commission Major Budget Highlights The legislature adopted a budget for the Public Service Commission of \$1.3 million or 11.8% greater than FY 2025 base appropriations. Significant additions include: • Almost \$520,000 in statewide present law adjustments to personal services and fixed costs • \$408,000 state special revenue for 2.00 PB railroad inspectors • \$200,000 in one-time-only state special for the review of an upcoming and expected integrated resource plan • \$184,000 state special revenue to support 1.50 new PB including 1.00 accounting technician and 0.50 administrative assistants

Agency Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the expenditures requested for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Agency Actuals and Budget Comparison					
Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	3,885,902	4,156,998	4,231,891	4,692,141	4,697,520
Operating Expenses	550,925	1,079,994	1,017,668	1,339,714	1,082,563
Debt Service	285,415	304,376	326,898	326,898	326,898
Total Expenditures	\$4,722,242	\$5,541,368	\$5,576,457	\$6,358,753	\$6,106,981
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	4,576,454	5,267,608	5,302,697	6,084,993	5,833,221
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	145,788	273,760	273,760	273,760	273,760
Total Funds	\$4,722,242	\$5,541,368	\$5,576,457	\$6,358,753	\$6,106,981
Total Ongoing	\$4,721,996	\$5,461,143	\$5,576,457	\$6,358,753	\$6,106,981
Total OTO	\$246	\$80,225	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Executive Budget Comparison

The following table compares the legislative budget for the biennium to the budget requested by the Governor by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Executive Budget Comparison		Executive	Legislative	Leg — Exec.	Executive	Legislative	Leg — Exec.	Biennium
Budget Item	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Budget Fiscal 2026	Budget Fiscal 2026	Difference Fiscal 2026	Budget Fiscal 2027	Budget Fiscal 2027	Difference Fiscal 2027	Difference Fiscal 26-27
Personal Services	4,231,891	4,551,679	4,692,141	140,462	4,557,058	4,697,520	140,462	280,924
Operating Expenses	1,017,668	1,343,694	1,339,714	(3,980)	1,083,642	1,082,563	(1,079)	(5,059)
Equipment & Intangible Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Debt Service	326,898	326,898	326,898	0	326,898	326,898	0	0
Total Costs	\$5,576,457	\$6,222,271	\$6,358,753	\$136,482	\$5,967,598	\$6,106,981	\$139,383	\$275,865
State/other Special Rev. Funds	5,302,697	5,948,511	6,084,993	136,482	5,693,838	5,833,221	139,383	275,865
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	273,760	273,760	273,760	0	273,760	273,760	0	0
Total Funds	\$5,576,457	\$6,222,271	\$6,358,753	\$136,482	\$5,967,598	\$6,106,981	\$139,383	\$275,865
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$5,576,457 \$0	\$6,222,271 \$0	\$6,358,753 \$0	\$136,482 \$0	\$5,967,598 \$0	\$6,106,981 \$0	\$139,383 \$0	\$275,865 \$0

The legislature adopted total appropriations that are \$275,865 higher than the executive's request. The legislature did not approve a request for 1.00 PB for an additional administrative assistant and related costs. The legislature adopted a proposal of 2.00 PB railroad inspectors that was not in the executive's request.

Funding

The following table shows the adopted agency funding for all sources of authority.

Total Public	Service Commis 2027 Bi	sion Fundin ennium Bud		ource of Aut	hority		
Funds	HB2 Ongoing	HB2 OTO		-Budgeted oprietary	Statutory Appropriation	Total All Sources	% Total All Funds
02281 Public Service Commission	11,918,214					11,918,214	95.6%
State Special Revenue Total	11,918,214		-	-	-	11,918,214	95.6%
03011 Natural Gas Safety Pgm	547,520					547,520	4.4%
Federal Special Revenue Total	547,520		-	-	-	547,520	4.4%
Proprietary Fund Total	-		-	-	-	-	0.0%
Total of All Funds	12,465,734		-	-	-	12,465,734	
Percent of All Sources of Authority	100.0%	0.0	%	0.0%	0.0%		

The PSC is funded primarily with state special revenue with a small amount of federal funding for railroad and gas pipeline safety. The revenue in the PSC account is derived from a fee levied on regulated companies. The amount of the fee is calculated by the Department of Revenue and is based on the annual level of appropriation, adjusted by the ending fund balance. The fee is charged as a percentage of the gross operating revenue from all activities in companies regulated by the PSC for the calendar quarter of operation, as outlined in 69-1-402, MCA.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		202		blic Service C HB 2 Base E	Commission Budget and Ac	ljustments				
			FY 2026			FY 2027				
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	0	5,302,697	273,760	5,576,457	87.7%	0	5,302,697	273,760	5,576,457	91.3%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	0	169,251	0	169,251	2.7%	0	174,629	0	174,629	2.9%
Fixed Costs	0	115,194	0	115,194	1.8%	0	63,484	0	63,484	1.0%
Inflation Deflation	0	(1,109)	0	(1,109)	(0.0%)	0	(750)	0	(750)	(0.0%
Total Statewide PL	0	283,336	0	283,336	4.5%	0	237,363	0	237,363	3.9%
Present Law (PL)	0	200,000	0	200,000	3.1%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	0	298,960	0	298,960	4.7%	0	293,161	0	293,161	4.8%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	0	782,296	0	782,296	12.3%	0	530,524	0	530,524	8.7%
Total Budget	0	6,084,993	273,760	6,358,753		0	5,833,221	273,760	6,106,981	

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Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027					
PB		General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 1 - Personal Services											
0.	00	0	169,251	0	169,251	0.00	0	174,629	0	174,629	
DP 2 - Fixed Costs											
0.	00	0	115,194	0	115,194	0.00	0	63,484	0	63,484	
OP 3 - Inflation Deflation											
0.	00	0	(1,109)	0	(1,109)	0.00	0	(750)	0	(750)	
OP 4 - IRP Contract (OTO)							()		· · · ·	
0.	00	0	200,000	0	200,000	0.00	0	0	0	0	
Grand Total All Pres	sent	Law Adjustm	nents								
0.	00	\$0	\$483,336	\$0	\$483,336	0.00	\$0	\$237,363	\$0	\$237,363	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: warrant writer, motor pool, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

DP 4 - IRP Contract (OTO) -

The legislature adopted an increase of one-time-only state special revenue appropriations for consulting services in connection with the review of an expected integrated resource plan (IRP) expected to be submitted sometime in FY 2026.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

		·!	Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027						
	РВ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds		
DP 100 - 1.00 F	B Accounting	Technician 2										
	1.00	0	60,174	0	60,174	1.00	0	57,275	0	57,275		
DP 300 - 0.50 F	B Administrati	ve Assistant 1										
	0.50	0	34,786	0	34,786	0.50	0	31,886	0	31,886		
DP 400 - 2.0 PE	3 Railroad Insp	ectors										
	2.00	0	204,000	0	204,000	2.00	0	204,000	0	204,000		
Total	3.50	\$0	\$298,960	\$0	\$298,960	3.50	\$0	\$293,161	\$0	\$293,161		

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 100 - 1.00 PB Accounting Technician 2 -

The legislature adopted appropriations to support 1.00 PB for an additional accounting technician to assist in accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll, travel, and fiscal year-end functions.

DP 300 - 0.50 PB Administrative Assistant 1 -

The legislature adopted appropriations to support an additional 0.50 PB for an administrative assistant position to assist with the increased public comments received.

DP 400 - 2.0 PB Railroad Inspectors -

The legislature adopted state special revenue to fund 2.00 PB railroad inspectors.

Agency Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted by the legislature for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	310.44	337.50	341.50	31.06	5.0%	
General Fund	48,317,060	59,635,696	60,516,892	23,518,468	24.3%	
Total Funds	48,317,060	59,635,696	60,516,892	23,518,468	24.3%	
Personal Services	34,558,672	37,800,577	38,519,244	7,202,477	10.4%	
Operating Expenses	13,758,388	21,574,466	21,793,256	15,850,946	57.6%	
Equipment & Intangible Assets		178,200	36,600	214,800	0.0%	
Debt Service		82,453	167,792	250,245	0.0%	
Total Expenditures	48,317,060	59,635,696	60,516,892	23,518,468	24.3%	
Total Ongoing	48,317,060	55,264,096	56,285,692	14,915,668	15.4%	
Total One-Time-Only	1,050,000	4,371,600	4,231,200	6,502,800	309.7%	

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Agency Highlights

Office of Public Defender Major Budget Highlights
The 2027 biennium HB 2 budget adopted by the legislature for the Office of Public Defender is \$23.5 million or 24.3% higher than FY 2025 base appropriations. Significant changes include:
 \$6.7 million general fund for a total 31.06 new PB for the biennium including transitioning a total of 22.06 modified PB to permanent Nearly \$6.6 million general fund to cover shortfalls in contracted attorney costs Nearly \$6.4 million general fund to increase the contracted attorney pay rate from \$71.00 to \$90.00 per hour \$1.4 million in one-time-only general fund for AI and data technology, licenses, and other costs

Agency Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the expenditures requested for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Agency Actuals and Budget Comparison					
Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	32,366,522	33,720,311	35,308,672	37,800,577	38,519,244
Operating Expenses	16,925,321	17,024,901	14,008,388	21,574,466	21,793,256
Equipment & Intangible Assets	50,000	50,000	50,000	178,200	36,600
Debt Service	2,097,158	2,178,493	0	82,453	167,792
Total Expenditures	\$51,439,001	\$52,973,705	\$49,367,060	\$59,635,696	\$60,516,892
General Fund	51,439,001	52,973,705	49,367,060	59,635,696	60,516,892
Total Funds	\$51,439,001	\$52,973,705	\$49,367,060	\$59,635,696	\$60,516,892
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$49,867,600 \$1,571,401	\$51,323,705 \$1,650,000	\$48,317,060 \$1,050,000	\$55,264,096 \$4,371,600	\$56,285,692 \$4,231,200

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Executive Budget Comparison

The following table compares the legislative budget for the biennium to the budget requested by the Governor by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Executive Budget Comparison	Approp.	Executive Budget	Legislative Budget	Leg — Exec. Difference	Executive Budget	Legislative Budget	Leg — Exec. Difference	Biennium Difference
Budget Item	Fiscal 2025	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 26-27
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Personal Services	35,308,672	39,228,249	37,800,577	(1,427,672)	40,462,811	38,519,244	(1,943,567)	(3,371,239)
Operating Expenses	14,008,388	24,859,866	21,574,466	(3,285,400)	25,075,456	21,793,256	(3,282,200)	(6,567,600)
Equipment & Intangible Assets	50,000	186,000	178,200	(7,800)	42,000	36,600	(5,400)	(13,200)
Debt Service	0	82,453	82,453	0	167,792	167,792	0	0
Total Costs	\$49,367,060	\$64,356,568	\$59,635,696	(\$4,720,872)	\$65,748,059	\$60,516,892	(\$5,231,167)	(\$9,952,039)
General Fund	49,367,060	64,356,568	59,635,696	(4,720,872)	65,748,059	60,516,892	(5,231,167)	(9,952,039)
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	0	0	0	Ó	0	0	0	Ó
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Funds	\$49,367,060	\$64,356,568	\$59,635,696	(\$4,720,872)	\$65,748,059	\$60,516,892	(\$5,231,167)	(\$9,952,039)
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$48,317,060 \$1,050,000	\$63,759,968 \$596,600	\$55,264,096 \$4,371,600	(\$8,495,872) \$3,775,000	\$65,291,859 \$456,200	\$56,285,692 \$4,231,200	(\$9,006,167) \$3,775,000	(\$17,502,039) \$7,550,000

The HB 2 budget for the OPD is about \$10.0 million lower than the budget requested by the executive. Changes attributing to this difference include:

- (\$6.6 million) The legislature adopted half of the executive's request seeking funding to continue FY 2025 supplemental funding as part of the agency's ongoing budget
- (\$1.5 million) The legislature did not adopt funding to continue one-time-only appropriations provided by the 2023 Legislature to supplement expiring ARPA dollars utilized in Yellowstone County
- (\$1.5 million) The legislature adopted 8.00 of the 16.00 new attorney PB requested for the biennium
- (\$350,000) The legislature adopted 1.00 of the 3.00 new PB requested to handle increased contract counts

Funding

The following table shows the adopted agency funding for all sources of authority.

Total Office o	f State Public Def 2027 Bie	ender Funding ennium Budge		uthority		
Funds	HB2 Ongoing	HB2 OTO	Non-Budgeted Proprietary	Statutory Appropriation	Total All Sources	% Total All Funds
01100 General Fund	111,549,788	8,602,800			120,152,588	100.0%
State Special Revenue Total	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Federal Special Revenue Total	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Proprietary Fund Total	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Total of All Funds	111,549,788	8,602,800	-	-	120,152,588	
Percent of All Sources of Authority	92.8%	7.2%	0.0%	0.0%		

The OPD budget is funded exclusively with general fund and does not contain any non-budgeted proprietary programs or statutory appropriations.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		ce of State Pu n HB 2 Base B						
			FY 2026			FY 2027				
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	48,317,060	0	0	48,317,060	81.0%	48,317,060	0	0	48,317,060	79.8%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	183,118	0	0	183,118	0.3%	333,932	0	0	333,932	0.6%
Fixed Costs	226,516	0	0	226,516	0.4%	237,988	0	0	237,988	0.4%
Inflation Deflation	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total Statewide PL	409,634	0	0	409,634	0.7%	571,920	0	0	571,920	0.9%
Present Law (PL)	10,106,907	0	0	10,106,907	16.9%	10,312,722	0	0	10,312,722	17.0%
New Proposals	802,095	0	0	802,095	1.3%	1,315,190	0	0	1,315,190	2.2%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	11,318,636	0	0	11,318,636	19.0%	12,199,832	0	0	12,199,832	20.2%
Total Budget	59,635,696	0	0	59,635,696		60,516,892	0	0	60,516,892	

Language

All appropriations in the Office of State Public Defender are biennial.

It is the intent of the Legislature that all management personnel who are members of the Montana Bar, except for the director, division administrators, and regional public defenders, perform at least 25% of the average caseload of line attorneys.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
229.00	242.00	242.00	13.00	2.8%	
29,069,317	26,998,354	27,152,519	(3,987,761)	(6.9%)	
29,069,317	26,998,354	27,152,519	(3,987,761)	(6.9%)	
25,182,050	26,848,354	27,002,519	3,486,773	6.9%	
3,887,267	150,000	150,000	(7,474,534)	(96.1%)	
29,069,317	26,998,354	27,152,519	(3,987,761)	(6.9%)	
29,069,317	26,998,354	27,152,519	(3,987,761)	(6.9%)	
925,000			(1,850,000)	(100.0%)	
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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	24.444.335	25,093,230	25,932,050	26.848.354	27,002,519
Operating Expenses	6,205,028	6,181,261	4,062,267	150,000	150,000
Debt Service	1,480,587	1,496,857	0	0	(
Total Expenditures	\$32,129,950	\$32,771,348	\$29,994,317	\$26,998,354	\$27,152,519
General Fund	32,129,950	32,771,348	29,994,317	26,998,354	27,152,519
Total Funds	\$32,129,950	\$32,771,348	\$29,994,317	\$26,998,354	\$27,152,519
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$30,904,950 \$1,225,000	\$31,546,348 \$1,225,000	\$29,069,317 \$925,000	\$26,998,354 \$0	\$27,152,519 \$(

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LFD Budget Analysis, D-110

Funding

The Public Defender Division is funded exclusively with general fund.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		Public Defende 1 HB 2 Base E		djustments				
			FY 2026			FY 2027				
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	29,069,317	0	0	29,069,317	107.7%	29,069,317	0	0	29,069,317	107.1%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	236,198	0	0	236,198	0.9%	346,849	0	0	346,849	1.3%
Fixed Costs	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Inflation Deflation	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total Statewide PL	236,198	0	0	236,198	0.9%	346,849	0	0	346,849	1.3%
Present Law (PL)	1,430,106	0	0	1,430,106	5.3%	1,473,620	0	0	1,473,620	5.4%
New Proposals	(3,737,267)	0	0	(3,737,267)	(13.8%)	(3,737,267)	0	0	(3,737,267)	(13.8%)
Total HB 2 Adjustments	(2,070,963)	0	0	(2,070,963)	(7.7%)	(1,916,798)	0	0	(1,916,798)	(7.1%)
Total Budget	26,998,354	0	0	26,998,354		27,152,519	0	0	27,152,519	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027				
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Person	al Services									
	0.00	236,198	0	0	236,198	0.00	346,849	0	0	346,849
DP 101 - Sust	tain Exst Pub Det	f Svcs - PDD (Current Modifie	eds						
	13.00	1,430,106	0	0	1,430,106	13.00	1,473,620	0	0	1,473,620
Grand T	otal All Present	Law Adjustm	ents							
	13.00	\$1,666,304	\$0	\$0	\$1,666,304	13.00	\$1,820,469	\$0	\$0	\$1,820,469

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 101 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - PDD Current Modifieds -

The legislature adopted general fund to support 13.00 new PB including ten public defenders, two legal support staff, and one office manager.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

		Fiscal 2026					Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds		
DP 2204 - Cer	ntralize External	Pub Def Costs										
	0.00	(3,737,267)	0	0	(3,737,267)	0.00	(3,737,267)	0	0	(3,737,26		
Total	0.00	(\$3,737,267)	\$0	\$0	(\$3,737,267)	0.00	(\$3,737,267)	\$0	\$0	(\$3,737,26		

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 2204 - Centralize External Pub Def Costs -

The legislature adopted the movement of all general fund authority for contracting and operations into the Central Services Division. This decision reduces the budget in the Public Defender, Appellate Defender, and Conflict Defender Divisions while consolidating all these functions into the Central Services Division. This decision package nets to zero across the agency.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison						
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	18.50	19.50	19.50	1.00	2.7%	
General Fund	3,072,642	2,356,785	2,376,179	(1,412,320)	(23.0%)	
Total Funds	3,072,642	2,356,785	2,376,179	(1,412,320)	(23.0%)	
Personal Services	2,302,864	2,356,785	2,376,179	127,236	2.8%	
Operating Expenses	769,778			(1,539,556)	(100.0%)	
Total Expenditures	3,072,642	2,356,785	2,376,179	(1,412,320)	(23.0%)	
Total Ongoing Total One-Time-Only	3,072,642	2,356,785	2,376,179	(1,412,320)	(23.0%) 0.0%	

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027	
Personal Services	1,901,914	2,193,102	2,302,864	2,356,785	2,376,179	
Operating Expenses	836,658	852,283	769,778	0	C	
Debt Service	107,737	110,504	0	0	C	
Total Expenditures	\$2,846,309	\$3,155,889	\$3,072,642	\$2,356,785	\$2,376,179	
General Fund	2,846,309	3,155,889	3,072,642	2,356,785	2,376,179	
Total Funds	\$2,846,309	\$3,155,889	\$3,072,642	\$2,356,785	\$2,376,179	
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$2,846,309 \$0	\$3,155,889 \$0	\$3,072,642 \$0	\$2,356,785 \$0	\$2,376,179 \$0	

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LFD Budget Analysis, D-115

Funding

The Appellate Defender Division is funded exclusively with general fund.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		pellate Defen HB 2 Base E	der Division Budget and Ac	djustments						
		FY 2026						FY 2027				
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request		
Base Budget	3,072,642	0	0	3,072,642	130.4%	3,072,642	0	0	3,072,642	129.3%		
Statewide PL												
Personal Services	(18,705)	0	0	(18,705)	(0.8%)	(1,148)	0	0	(1,148)	(0.0%)		
Fixed Costs	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%		
Inflation Deflation	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%		
Total Statewide PL	(18,705)	0	0	(18,705)	(0.8%)	(1,148)	0	0	(1,148)	(0.0%)		
Present Law (PL)	72,626	0	0	72,626	3.1%	74,463	0	0	74,463	3.1%		
New Proposals	(769,778)	0	0	(769,778)	(32.7%)	(769,778)	0	0	(769,778)	(32.4%)		
Total HB 2 Adjustments	(715,857)	0	0	(715,857)	(30.4%)	(696,463)	0	0	(696,463)	(29.3%)		
Total Budget	2,356,785	0	0	2,356,785		2,376,179	0	0	2,376,179			

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

		Fiscal 2026						Fiscal 2027				
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds		
DP 1 - Persona	al Services											
	0.00	(18,705)	0	0	(18,705)	0.00	(1,148)	0	0	(1,148		
DP 202 - Susta	ain Exst Pub De	Svcs - ADD (Current Modifie	eds								
	1.00	72,626	0	0	72,626	1.00	74,463	0	0	74,46		
Grand To	otal All Present	Law Adjustm	ents									
	1.00	\$53,921	\$0	\$0	\$53,921	1.00	\$73,315	\$0	\$0	\$73,31		

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 202 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - ADD Current Modifieds -

The legislature adopted general fund to support 1.00 PB legal support staff.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

		Fiscal 2026 Fiscal 2026						Fiscal 2027				
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds		
DP 2204 - Ce	ntralize External	Pub Def Costs										
	0.00	(769,778)	0	0	(769,778)	0.00	(769,778)	0	0	(769,778		
Total	0.00	(\$769,778)	\$0	\$0	(\$769,778)	0.00	(\$769,778)	\$0	\$0	(\$769,778		

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 2204 - Centralize External Pub Def Costs -

The legislature adopted the movement of all general fund authority for contracting and operations into the Central Services Division. This decision reduces the budget in the Public Defender, Appellate Defender, and Conflict Defender Divisions while consolidating all these functions into the Central Services Division. This decision package nets to zero across the agency.

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
FY 2025	5		Amount	Percent	
30.00	33.00	33.00	3.00	5.0%	
10,293,627	3,855,478	3,869,997	(12,861,779)	(62.5%)	
10,293,627	3,855,478	3,869,997	(12,861,779)	(62.5%)	
3,592,508	3,855,478	3,869,997	540,459	7.5%	
6,701,119			(13,402,238)	(100.0%)	
10,293,627	3,855,478	3,869,997	(12,861,779)	(62.5%)	
10,293,627	3,855,478	3,869,997	(12,861,779)	(62.5%) 0.0%	
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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027	
Personal Services	2,951,550	3,317,578	3,592,508	3,855,478	3,869,997	
Operating Expenses	7,511,794	7,606,301	6,701,119	0	(
Debt Service	331,206	339,959	0	0	(
Total Expenditures	\$10,794,550	\$11,263,838	\$10,293,627	\$3,855,478	\$3,869,997	
General Fund	10,794,550	11,263,838	10,293,627	3,855,478	3,869,997	
Total Funds	\$10,794,550	\$11,263,838	\$10,293,627	\$3,855,478	\$3,869,997	
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$10,573,149 \$221,401	\$10,963,838 \$300,000	\$10,293,627 \$0	\$3,855,478 \$0	\$3,869,99 \$(

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Funding

The Conflict Defender Division is funded exclusively with general fund.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		Conflict Defender Division 2027 Biennium HB 2 Base Budget and Ad FY 2026						FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	10,293,627	0	0	10,293,627	267.0%	10,293,627	0	0	10,293,627	266.0%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	(111,363)	0	0	(111,363)	(2.9%)	(102,297)	0	0	(102,297)	(2.6%)
Fixed Costs	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Inflation Deflation	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total Statewide PL	(111,363)	0	0	(111,363)	(2.9%)	(102,297)	0	0	(102,297)	(2.6%)
Present Law (PL)	374,333	0	0	374,333	9.7%	379,786	0	0	379,786	9.8%
New Proposals	(6,701,119)	0	0	(6,701,119)	(173.8%)	(6,701,119)	0	0	(6,701,119)	(173.2%)
Total HB 2 Adjustments	(6,438,149)	0	0	(6,438,149)	(167.0%)	(6,423,630)	0	0	(6,423,630)	(166.0%)
Total Budget	3,855,478	0	0	3,855,478		3,869,997	0	0	3,869,997	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

		Fiscal 2026					Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds		
DP 1 - Persona	al Services											
	0.00	(111,363)	0	0	(111,363)	0.00	(102,297)	0	0	(102,297		
DP 303 - Susta	ain Exst Pub De	f Svcs - CDD (Current Modifie	eds								
	3.00	374,333	0	0	374,333	3.00	379,786	0	0	379,78		
Grand To	otal All Present	Law Adjustm	ients									
	3.00	\$262.970	\$0	\$0	\$262.970	3.00	\$277,489	\$0	\$0	\$277,48		

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 303 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - CDD Current Modifieds -

The legislature adopted general fund to support 3.00 new PB public defender positions.
New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			iscal 2026					Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
P 2204 - Ce	ntralize External	Pub Def Costs								
	0.00	(6,701,119)	0	0	(6,701,119)	0.00	(6,701,119)	0	0	(6,701,11
Total	0.00	(\$6,701,119)	\$0	\$0	(\$6,701,119)	0.00	(\$6,701,119)	\$0	\$0	(\$6,701,1*

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 2204 - Centralize External Pub Def Costs -

The legislature adopted the movement of all general fund authority for contracting and operations into the Central Services Division. This decision reduces the budget in the Public Defender, Appellate Defender, and Conflict Defender Divisions while consolidating all these functions into the Central Services Division. This decision package nets to zero across the agency.

Program Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison							
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent		
PB	32.94	43.00	47.00	14.06	21.3%		
General Fund	5,881,474	26,425,079	27,118,197	41,780,328	355.2%		
Total Funds	5,881,474	26,425,079	27,118,197	41,780,328	355.2%		
Personal Services	3,481,250	4,739,960	5,270,549	3,048,009	43.8%		
Operating Expenses	2,400,224	21,424,466	21,643,256	38,267,274	797.2%		
Equipment & Intangible Assets		178,200	36,600	214,800	0.0%		
Debt Service		82,453	167,792	250,245	0.0%		
Total Expenditures	5,881,474	26,425,079	27,118,197	41,780,328	355.2%		
Total Ongoing	5,881,474	22,053,479	22,886,997	33,177,528	282.1%		
Total One-Time-Only	125,000	4,371,600	4,231,200	8,352,800	3,341.1%		

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	3,068,723	3,116,401	3.481.250	4,739,960	5,270,549
Operating Expenses	2,371,841	2,385,056	2,475,224	21,424,466	21,643,250
Equipment & Intangible Assets	50,000	50,000	50,000	178,200	36,600
Debt Service	177,628	231,173	0	82,453	167,792
Total Expenditures	\$5,668,192	\$5,782,630	\$6,006,474	\$26,425,079	\$27,118,19
General Fund	5,668,192	5,782,630	6,006,474	26,425,079	27,118,19
Total Funds	\$5,668,192	\$5,782,630	\$6,006,474	\$26,425,079	\$27,118,19
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$5,543,192 \$125,000	\$5,657,630 \$125,000	\$5,881,474 \$125,000	\$22,053,479 \$4,371,600	\$22,886,99 \$4,231,20

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Funding

The Central Services Division is funded exclusively with general fund.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		entral Service HB 2 Base E		djustments FY 2027				
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	5,881,474	0	0	5,881,474	22.3%	5,881,474	0	0	5,881,474	21.7%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	76,988	0	0	76,988	0.3%	90,528	0	0	90,528	0.3%
Fixed Costs	226,516	0	0	226,516	0.9%	237,988	0	0	237,988	0.9%
Inflation Deflation	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total Statewide PL	303,504	0	0	303,504	1.1%	328,516	0	0	328,516	1.2%
Present Law (PL)	8,229,842	0	0	8,229,842	31.1%	8,384,853	0	0	8,384,853	30.9%
New Proposals	12,010,259	0	0	12,010,259	45.5%	12,523,354	0	0	12,523,354	46.2%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	20,543,605	0	0	20,543,605	77.7%	21,236,723	0	0	21,236,723	78.3%
Total Budget	26,425,079	0	0	26,425,079		27,118,197	0	0	27,118,197	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026					-Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	РВ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Ser	vices									
	0.00	76,988	0	0	76,988	0.00	90,528	0	0	90,528
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
	0.00	226,516	0	0	226,516	0.00	237,988	0	0	237,98
DP 404 - Sustain Ex			Current Modifi	eds						
	5.06	595,027	0	0	595,027	5.06	596,181	0	0	596,18 ⁻
DP 504 - Sustain Ex										
	0.00	3,275,000	0	0	3,275,000	0.00	3,275,000	0	0	3,275,000
DP 704 - Sustain Ex									_	
	0.00	3,177,586	0	0	3,177,586	0.00	3,177,586	0	0	3,177,586
DP 1104 - Sustain E				0	474 400	0.00	050.005	0	0	050.00
	0.00	171,139	0	0	171,139	0.00	350,835	0	0	350,83
DP 1304 - Sustain E			· ·	. ,	500.000	0.00	500.000	0	0	500.000
DD 1504 Sustain E	0.00 ff Dub Dof	500,000	0 utar Durah (D		500,000	0.00	500,000	0	0	500,000
DP 1504 - Sustain E		171.600	uter Purch (R 0		171,600	0.00	31,200	0	0	31,20
DP 1604 - Sustain E			•	•	171,000	0.00	31,200	0	0	31,20
	0.00	150.000	y mannig ∟v 0		150,000	0.00	150,000	0	0	150,000
DP 1704 - Sustain E		,	•	•	150,000	0.00	150,000	0	0	150,000
	0.00	75.000	0	0	75,000	0.00	75,000	0	0	75,00
DP 1904 - Sustain E		- ,	•	0	10,000	0.00	10,000	Ŭ	0	10,00
	0.00	82,453	0	0	82,453	0.00	167,792	0	0	167,792
DP 2004 - Sustain E			•	•	52,.50	0.00	,	Ŭ	Ũ	,,,,,,,
	0.00	8.025	0	0	8.025	0.00	8,025	0	0	8,02
DP 2104 - Sustain E	xst Pub De	- ,	age Inflation		-,-		-,			-,
	0.00	24,012	0	0	24,012	0.00	53,234	0	0	53,234
Owned Tet 14		1 A .l								
Grand Total A		Law Adjustm \$8,533,346	ients \$0	\$0	\$8,533,346	5.06	\$8,713,369	\$0	\$0	\$8,713,36

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 404 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - CSD Current Modifieds -

The legislature adopted general funding to support 5.06 PB currently assisting in administrative and operational support which includes switching one modified position from 0.94 to 1.00 PB.

DP 504 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - Contract Svcs Overage (RST, OTO) -

The legislature adopted additional general fund to partially cover 2025 biennium shortfalls related to contractor assignment and compensation. The amount provided is equal to half of the department's FY 2025 supplemental request related to contracted attorney payments.

DP 704 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - Contr Pub Def Rates (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund to increase the state's contract public defender payment rate from \$71.00 per hour to \$90.00 per hour.

DP 1104 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - Provider Rates -

The legislature adopted general fund for a 5.0% increase each year of the 2027 biennium for non-attorney contracted providers such as mental health and contract investigators. For contracted investigators, a payment rate of \$50.00 per hour was established, up from the \$41.00 per hour established in 2018.

DP 1304 - Sustain Eff Pub Def Supp - Al/Tech License (RST, OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time-only general fund to cover increased licensing costs related to artificial intelligence (AI), data, and technology tools.

DP 1504 - Sustain Eff Pub Def Supp - Computer Purch (RST, OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time-only funding to replace computer systems on consistent schedules for the upcoming biennium. This authority covers 138 computers needing end-of-life replacement in FY 2026, 21 computers needing replacement in FY 2027, and an estimated 5 computers needing replacement each year due to accidental loss or damage.

DP 1604 - Sustain Eff Pub Def Supp - Agency Training Events (OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time-only general fund to continue training events that were previously provided as one-time-only during the 2025 biennium.

DP 1704 - Sustain Eff Pub Def Supp - Client Comm/Access Tech (OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time-only general fund to develop an incarcerated client communications plan that would provide hardware, software, and support to ensure clients are able to access their confidential information with the OPD and review filings and evidence.

DP 1904 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - Lease Rates -

The legislature adopted funding to cover lease escalations and renewals in the 2027 biennium. Overall, rates are estimated to increase at 3.5% each fiscal year.

DP 2004 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - Court Report Rates -

The legislature adopted funding for increases in rates paid to official court reporters as outlined in statute. These rates are set by the Office of the Court Administrator.

DP 2104 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - Postage Inflation -

The legislature adopted funding to cover an increase in costs for mailing of 21.7% per fiscal year.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

-			Fiscal 2026			Fiscal 2027						
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds		
DP 905 - Closing	Pub Def Sho	ortfall (RST)										
	4.00	508,319	0	0	508,319	8.00	1,024,214	0	0	1,024,214		
DP 1205 - Sustaii	n Exst Pub D	ef Svcs - Contr	acts Program									
	1.00	93,776	0	0	93,776	1.00	90,976	0	0	90,976		
DP 1404 - Sustaii	n Eff Pub De	f Supp - Al/Dat	a/Tech (RST, 0	OTO)								
	0.00	200,000	0	0	200,000	0.00	200,000	0	0	200,000		
DP 2204 - Centra	lize External	Pub Def Costs										
	0.00	11,208,164	0	0	11,208,164	0.00	11,208,164	0	0	11,208,164		
Total	5.00	\$12,010,259	\$0	\$0	\$12,010,259	9.00	\$12,523,354	\$0	\$0	\$12,523,354		

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 905 - Closing Pub Def Shortfall (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund for 4.00 new public defender positions in FY 2026 and 8.00 new public defender positions in FY 2027 to aide in the department's estimated attorney shortfall.

DP 1205 - Sustain Exst Pub Def Svcs - Contracts Program -

The legislature adopted 1.00 additional contracts program officer for the 2027 biennium.

DP 1404 - Sustain Eff Pub Def Supp - Al/Data/Tech (RST, OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time-only general fund for the OPD to continue to develop its artificial intelligence (AI), data, and technology structures.

DP 2204 - Centralize External Pub Def Costs -

The legislature adopted the movement of all general fund authority for contracting and operations into the Central Services Division. This decision reduces the budget in the Public Defender, Appellate Defender, and Conflict Defender Divisions while consolidating all these functions into the Central Services Division. This decision package nets to zero across the agency.

Agency Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted by the legislature for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Agency Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	1,280.67	1,302.67	1,302.67	22.00	0.9%
General Fund	274,448,008	307,149,566	309,882,899	68,136,449	12.4%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	7,096,208	7,100,925	7,101,926	10,435	0.1%
Proprietary Funds	145,214	133,046	131,060	(26,322)	(9.1%)
Total Funds	281,689,430	314,383,537	317,115,885	68,120,562	12.1%
Personal Services	111,221,203	118,088,656	118,675,485	14,321,735	6.4%
Operating Expenses	168,299,624	192,903,610	195,049,139	51,353,501	15.3%
Equipment & Intangible Assets		795,000	795,000	1,590,000	0.0%
Transfers	503,739	503,739	503,739		0.0%
Debt Service	1,664,864	2,092,532	2,092,522	855,326	25.7%
Total Expenditures	281,689,430	314,383,537	317,115,885	68,120,562	12.1%
Total Ongoing	281,689,430	313,775,494	315,877,328	66,273,962	11.8%
Total One-Time-Only	4,754,980	608,043	1,238,557	(7,663,360)	(80.6%)

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Agency Highlights

Department of Corrections Major Budget Highlights
 The 2027 biennium HB 2 budget adopted by the legislature for the Department of Corrections is an increase of \$68.1 million or 12.1% when compared to FY 2025 base appropriations. More significant increases include: \$23.9 million general fund for 360 out-of-state contracted secure beds Just over \$9.3 million general fund for provider rate increases with existing contracted community corrections facilities and continuing two one-time initiatives from the 2023 Session \$8.9 million in statewide present law adjustments to personal services and fixed costs \$6.2 million to increase base appropriations for reimbursing county jail holds Nearly \$2.8 million for increases in provider rates paid to contracted secure facilities and local detention centers Almost \$2.5 million to cover a 2.0% yearly increase for provider rates to contracted pre-release centers \$1.6 million for a \$1.00 pay increase each year to be paid to Core Civic to cover prevailing wages for employees at Crossroads Correctional Center

Agency Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the expenditures requested for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	108,299,338	109,674,709	113,324,917	118,088,656	118,675,48
Operating Expenses	155,654,335	159,929,274	170,950,890	192,903,610	195,049,13
Equipment & Intangible Assets	480,838	938.552	0	795,000	795,00
Capital Outlay	0	20,773	0	0	,
Transfers	672,086	732,395	503,739	503,739	503,73
Debt Service	1,673,206	1,953,496	1,664,864	2,092,532	2,092,52
Total Expenditures	\$266,779,803	\$273,249,199	\$286,444,410	\$314,383,537	\$317,115,88
General Fund	261,038,855	266,029,717	279,202,988	307,149,566	309,882,89
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	5,622,145	7,100,679	7,096,208	7,100,925	7,101,92
Proprietary Funds	118,803	118,803	145,214	133,046	131,06
Total Funds	\$266,779,803	\$273,249,199	\$286,444,410	\$314,383,537	\$317,115,88
Total Ongoing	\$264,289,812	\$267,857,488	\$281,689,430	\$313,775,494	\$315,877,32
Total OTO	\$204,209,012 \$2,489,991	\$207,057,400 \$5,391,711	\$281,889,430 \$4,754,980	\$608,043	\$1,238

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Executive Budget Comparison

The following table compares the legislative budget for the biennium to the budget requested by the Governor by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Executive Budget Comparison	Approp.	Executive Budget	Legislative Budget	Leg — Exec. Difference	Executive Budget	Legislative Budget	Leg — Exec. Difference	Biennium Difference
Budget Item	Fiscal 2025	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 2027	Fiscal 26-27
Personal Services	113,324,917	118,699,848	118,088,656	(611,192)	119,286,678	118,675,485	(611,193)	(1,222,385)
Operating Expenses	170,950,890	182,414,585	192,903,610	10,489,025	183,114,864	195,049,139	11,934,275	22,423,300
Equipment & Intangible Assets	0	1,129,000	795,000	(334,000)	1,129,000	795,000	(334,000)	(668,000)
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers	503,739	503,739	503,739	0	503,739	503,739	0	0
Debt Service	1,664,864	2,092,532	2,092,532	0	2,092,522	2,092,522	0	0
Total Costs	\$286,444,410	\$304,839,704	\$314,383,537	\$9,543,833	\$306,126,803	\$317,115,885	\$10,989,082	\$20,532,915
General Fund	279,202,988	297,605,733	307,149,566	9,543,833	298,893,817	309,882,899	10,989,082	20,532,915
State/other Special Rev. Funds	7,096,208	7,100,925	7,100,925	0	7,101,926	7,101,926	0	0
Federal Spec. Rev. Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	145,214	133,046	133,046	0	131,060	131,060	0	0
Total Funds	\$286,444,410	\$304,839,704	\$314,383,537	\$9,543,833	\$306,126,803	\$317,115,885	\$10,989,082	\$20,532,915
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$281,689,430 \$4,754,980	\$304,839,704 \$0	\$313,775,494 \$608,043	\$8,935,790 \$608,043	\$306,126,803 \$0	\$315,877,328 \$1,238,557	\$9,750,525 \$1,238,557	\$18,686,315 \$1,846,600

The 2027 biennium HB 2 budget for the Department of Corrections is about \$20.5 million higher than the budget requested by the executive. Changes attributing to this difference include the following:

- (\$2.6 million) The legislature reduced general fund authority provided to cover costs for caseworker services for young adults who are being released from the juvenile system
- (\$1.2 million) The legislature adopted half of the executive's request for funding to provide for ongoing recruitment and retention efforts and to aide in conducting formal training to develop field training officers
- (\$800,000) The legislature approved half of the requested funding to support incentivized training and skill development
- (\$668,000) The legislature adopted half of the executive's request for vehicle replacement funding
- (\$500,000) The legislature did not adopt the executive's request to establish a new tattoo removal program at the MSP
- (\$470,000) The legislature adopted 2.00 of the 4.00 PB requested for victim service positions
- (\$290,000) The legislature funded 75.0% of the executive's request for increased general fund to cover cost increases associated with services received from the Montana Correctional Enterprises
- (\$203,000) The legislature adopted half of the executive's request for authority to increase the number of leased vehicles used by the department
- (\$115,000) The legislature did not adopt 1.00 PB as part of a request for medical and pharmaceutical needs
- \$1.6 million The legislature adopted additional authority to cover Core Civic's responsibility of paying prevailing wages for employees working at Crossroads Correctional Center
- \$1.8 million The legislature adopted a 2.0% increase for provider rated paid to contracted pre-release centers that was not requested as part of the executive's budget
- \$23.9 million The legislature adopted general fund for the Department to contract for 360 out-of-state secure beds

Funding

The following table shows the adopted agency funding for all sources of authority.

Total Depa	rtment of Correcti 2027 Bio	ons Funding b ennium Budge		nority		
Funds	HB2 Ongoing	HB2 OTO	Non-Budgeted Proprietary	Statutory Appropriation	Total All Sources	% Total All Funds
01100 General Fund	615,185,865	1,846,600			617,032,465	92.1%
02917 MSP Canteen Revolving Acct	9,527,162				9,527,162	1.4%
02261 P & P Supervisory Fee	2,266,566				2,266,566	0.3%
02345 Inmate Welfare Fund				1,410,030	1,410,030	0.2%
02689 Offender Restitution	937,763				937,763	0.1%
02927 PHS Donations/I & I	754,660				754,660	0.1%
Other State Special Revenue	716,700				716,700	0.1%
State Special Revenue Total	14,202,851		. .	1,410,030	15,612,881	2.3%
Federal Special Revenue Total	-	-		-	-	0.0%
06573 MSP - Cook Chill	52,789		12,540,444		12,593,233	1.9%
06033 Prison Ranch	52,787		9,738,396		9,791,183	1.5%
06034 MSP Institutional Industries	52,787		7,732,086		7,784,873	1.2%
06011 License Plate Production	104,815		5,760,630		5,865,445	0.9%
06545 Prison Indust. Training Prog	928		1,613,805		1,614,733	0.2%
Proprietary Fund Total	264,106		37,385,361	-	37,649,467	5.6%
Total of All Funds Percent of All Sources of Authority	629,652,822 93.9%	1,846,600 0.3%	37,385,361 5.6%	1,410,030 0.2%	670,294,813	

The Department of Corrections is primarily funded with general fund in HB 2. The remaining amount is comprised of state special revenues with a small portion coming from budgeted proprietary funds. Some of the largest state special revenue funds are:

- The canteen revolving fund, which receives revenue from the sale of items to inmates
- Probation and parole supervision fees collected from offenders under the supervision of the department
- Pine Hills donations, interest, and income funds coming mostly from interest and income collected on school trust lands

There is approximately \$1.4 million in statutory appropriations (in state special revenue) over the 2027 biennium, which are used to support the Public Safety Division. This funding is for the Inmate Welfare Fund and is used to benefit inmates and their families per 53-1-109, MCA.

Additional authority is comprised of non-budgeted proprietary funds used to support programs at the Montana Correctional Enterprises. The funds are comprised of the following:

- Cook Chill Program
- Prison Ranch Program
- MSP Institutional Industries
- License Plate Production
- Industries Training Program

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		epartment of n HB 2 Base E		Adjustments				
			FY 2026					FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	274,448,008	7,096,208	0	281,689,430	89.6%	274,448,008	7,096,208	0	281,689,430	88.8%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	4,020,664	4,974	0	4,025,638	1.3%	4,258,560	6,017	0	4,264,577	1.3%
Fixed Costs	309,041	(257)	0	296,616	0.1%	292,495	(299)	0	278,042	0.1%
Inflation Deflation	(35,882)	0	0	(35,882)	(0.0%)	(24,250)	0	0	(24,250)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	4,293,823	4,717	0	4,286,372	1.4%	4,526,805	5,718	0	4,518,369	1.4%
Present Law (PL)	4,496,918	0	0	4,496,918	1.4%	5,547,047	0	0	5,547,047	1.7%
New Proposals	23,910,817	0	0	23,910,817	7.6%	25,361,039	0	0	25,361,039	8.0%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	32,701,558	4,717	0	32,694,107	10.4%	35,434,891	5,718	0	35,426,455	11.2%
Total Budget	307,149,566	7,100,925	0	314,383,537		309,882,899	7,101,926	0	317,115,885	

Language

All appropriations for the Director's Office/Central Services Division, Public Safety Division, and Rehabilitation and Programs Division are biennial.

Program Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	148.31	149.31	149.31	1.00	0.3%
General Fund	22,196,065	22,472,449	22,481,288	561,607	1.3%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	460,949	471,253	472,100	21,455	2.3%
Proprietary Funds	145,214	133,046	131,060	(26,322)	(9.1%)
Total Funds	22,802,228	23,076,748	23,084,448	556,740	1.2%
Personal Services	13,278,058	13,686,557	13,712,260	842,701	3.2%
Operating Expenses	9,424,170	9,290,191	9,272,188	(285,961)	(1.5%)
Transfers	100,000	100,000	100,000		0.0%
Total Expenditures	22,802,228	23,076,748	23,084,448	556,740	1.2%
Total Ongoing	22,802,228	23,076,748	23,084,448	556,740	1.2%
Total One-Time-Only	147,147	. ,	. ,	(294,294)	(100.0%)

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	12,676,273	12,735,414	13,425,205	13,686,557	13,712,26
Operating Expenses	7,519,715	7,682,126	9,424,170	9,290,191	9,272,188
Transfers	144,416	144,416	100,000	100,000	100,000
Total Expenditures	\$20,340,404	\$20,561,956	\$22,949,375	\$23,076,748	\$23,084,448
General Fund	19,733,880	19,897,780	22,343,212	22,472,449	22,481,288
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	487.721	545.373	460,949	471.253	472,100
Proprietary Funds	118,803	118,803	145,214	133,046	131,060
Total Funds	\$20,340,404	\$20,561,956	\$22,949,375	\$23,076,748	\$23,084,448
Total Ongoing	\$20,200,848	\$20,407,400	\$22,802,228	\$23,076,748	\$23,084,448
Total OTO	\$139,556	\$154,556	\$147,147	\$0	\$

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Funding

The majority of funding for the Director's Office comes from the general fund. There is a small amount of funding for this program that comes from state special revenues, primarily from fees charged for collection of restitution from offenders. The remaining portion of funding comes from proprietary funds such as prison ranch, industries program, cook chill operation, and license plate production. Most authority in these proprietary programs is not budgeted by the legislature in HB 2.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

				office and Cen n HB 2 Base E						
			FY 2026		0	-		FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	22,196,065	460,949	0	22,802,228	98.8%	22,196,065	460,949	0	22,802,228	98.8%
Statewide PL Personal Services Fixed Costs Inflation Deflation Total Statewide PL Present Law (PL) New Proposals	284,416 (118,627) (1,729) 164,060 (1,198) 113,522	10,561 (257) 0 10,304 0 0		(131,052) (1,729) 162,196 (1,198)	1.3% (0.6%) (0.0%) 0.7% (0.0%) 0.5%	309,229 (135,163) (1,168) 172,898 (1,198) 113,523	11,450 (299) 0 11,151 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	(149,616) (1,168) 169,895 (1,198)	1.4% (0.6%) (0.0%) 0.7% (0.0%) 0.5%
Total HB 2 Adjustments Total Budget	276,384 22,472,449	10,304 471,253	0	274,520 23,076,748	1.2%	285,223 22,481,288	11,151 472,100	0	282,220 23,084,448	1.2%

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			Fiscal 2026					Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Ser	vices									
	0.00	284,416	10,561	0	294,977	0.00	309,229	11,450	0	320,67
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
	0.00	(118,627)	(257)	0	(131,052)	0.00	(135,163)	(299)	0	(149,616
DP 3 - Inflation Defla	ation									
	0.00	(1,729)	0	0	(1,729)	0.00	(1,168)	0	0	(1,168
DP 22 - Fixed Cost /	Adjustmen	t for Robert's F	lules		. ,		. ,			•
	0.00	(1,198)	0	0	(1,198)	0.00	(1,198)	0	0	(1,198
Grand Total A	II Present	Law Adjustm	ents							
	0.00	\$162,862	\$10,304	\$0	\$160,998	0.00	\$171,700	\$11,151	\$0	\$168,69

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

DP 22 - Fixed Cost Adjustment for Robert's Rules -

The legislature adopted an adjustment to fixed cost that removed new appropriations for Robert's Rules of Order training included in DP 2.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026					Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 175 - Make	e OTO PB Perm	anent								
	1.00	113,522	0	0	113,522	1.00	113,523	0	0	113,52
Total	1.00	\$113,522	\$0	\$0	\$113,522	1.00	\$113,523	\$0	\$0	\$113,52

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 175 - Make OTO PB Permanent -

The legislature adopted general fund to continue 1.00 PB provided as one-time-only last session.

Program Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	903.86	916.86	916.86	13.00	0.7%
General Fund	138,946,126	163,242,664	164,414,135	49,764,547	17.9%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,868,963	1,868,963	1,868,963		0.0%
Total Funds	140,815,089	165,111,627	166,283,098	49,764,547	17.7%
Personal Services	76,275,156	80,014,638	80,179,187	7,643,513	5.0%
Operating Expenses	62,783,347	82,137,228	83,144,150	39,714,684	31.6%
Equipment & Intangible Assets		795,000	795,000	1,590,000	0.0%
Transfers	168,622	168,622	168,622		0.0%
Debt Service	1,587,964	1,996,139	1,996,139	816,350	25.7%
Total Expenditures	140,815,089	165,111,627	166,283,098	49,764,547	17.7%
Total Ongoing	140,815,089	165,111,627	166,283,098	49,764,547	17.7%
Total One-Time-Only	1,809,373	. ,	. ,	(3,618,746)	(100.0%)

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Budget Item	Actuals Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2024	Approp. Fiscal 2025	Legislative Fiscal 2026	Legislative Fiscal 2027
budget item	1 130di 202 4	1 130di 2024	1 13041 2020	113041 2020	1 13041 2021
Personal Services	74,448,501	75,698,492	78,084,529	80,014,638	80,179,18
Operating Expenses	63,539,134	65,834,898	62,783,347	82,137,228	83,144,15
Equipment & Intangible Assets	480,838	938,552	0	795,000	795,00
Capital Outlay	0	20,773	0	0	
Transfers	190,491	346,612	168,622	168,622	168,62
Debt Service	1,596,814	1,779,249	1,587,964	1,996,139	1,996,13
Total Expenditures	\$140,255,778	\$144,618,576	\$142,624,462	\$165,111,627	\$166,283,09
General Fund	139,141,472	142,829,607	140,755,499	163,242,664	164,414,13
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	1,114,306	1,788,969	1,868,963	1,868,963	1,868,96
Total Funds	\$140,255,778	\$144,618,576	\$142,624,462	\$165,111,627	\$166,283,09
Total Ongoing	\$139,547,279	\$142,003,862	\$140,815,089	\$165,111,627	\$166,283,09
Total OTO	\$708,499	\$2,614,714	\$1,809,373	\$0	\$

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Funding

Nearly all the division's funding comes from the general fund. The remaining funding comes from state special revenues. The largest portion of these state special funds are collected from offenders who are required to pay supervision fees related to probation and parole. Interest and income related to Pine Hills school lands primarily make up additional state special revenue and are used for additional support related to direct and non-direct care costs in the Pine Hills Correctional Facility.

The inmate welfare state special revenue fund is used to fund activities and basic needs of inmates and is comprised of revenue from the sales of contraband and confiscated items, as well as proceeds from inmate canteen purchases from the state prison. Most authority from the state special revenue inmate welfare fund is statutorily appropriated.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20	27 Bienniur	Public Safety n HB 2 Base B		diustments				
		-	FY 2026		5	, 		FY 2027		
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	138,946,126	1,868,963	0	140,815,089	85.3%	138,946,126	1,868,963	0	140,815,089	84.7%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	2,231,576	0	0	2,231,576	1.4%	2,392,111	0	0	2,392,111	1.4%
Fixed Costs	408,175	0	0	408,175	0.2%	408,175	0	0	408,175	0.2%
Inflation Deflation	(32,635)	0	0	(32,635)	(0.0%)	(22,057)	0	0	(22,057)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	2,607,116	0	0	2,607,116	1.6%	2,778,229	0	0	2,778,229	1.7%
Present Law (PL)	4,498,116	0	0	4,498,116	2.7%	5,548,245	0	0	5,548,245	3.3%
New Proposals	17,191,306	0	0	17,191,306	10.4%	17,141,535	0	0	17,141,535	10.3%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	24,296,538	0	0	24,296,538	14.7%	25,468,009	0	0	25,468,009	15.3%
Total Budget	163,242,664	1,868,963	0	165,111,627		164,414,135	1,868,963	0	166,283,098	

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

			-iscal 2026					Fiscal 2027		
PI	3	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Personal Servic	es									
	0.00	2,231,576	0	0	2,231,576	0.00	2,392,111	0	0	2,392,11
DP 2 - Fixed Costs										
	0.00	408,175	0	0	408,175	0.00	408,175	0	0	408,17
DP 3 - Inflation Deflatio	n									
	0.00	(32,635)	0	0	(32,635)	0.00	(22,057)	0	0	(22,05
DP 204 - MCE Rate Ch	nanges -	 Impact to MS 	P							
	0.00	412,500	0	0	412,500	0.00	461,250	0	0	461,25
DP 209 - Secure Facili	ty Rate	Increases (RS	Г)							
	0.00	920,647	0	0	920,647	0.00	1,860,373	0	0	1,860,37
DP 210 - Leased Vehic	le Fund	ling - Existing (RST)							
	0.00	82,325	0	0	82,325	0.00	82,325	0	0	82,32
DP 280 - Increase Cou	nty Jail	Hold (RST)								
	0.00	3,082,644	0	0	3,082,644	0.00	3,144,297	0	0	3,144,29
Grand Total All F	Present	Law Adjustme	ents							
	0.00	\$7,105,232	\$0	\$0	\$7,105,232	0.00	\$8,326,474	\$0	\$0	\$8,326,47

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

DP 204 - MCE Rate Changes - Impact to MSP -

The legislature adopted additional general fund to cover projected increases in costs due to rate changes for services provided by the Montana Correctional Enterprises to other areas of the department. These areas pertain to laundry services, the food factory, and motor vehicle maintenance.

DP 209 - Secure Facility Rate Increases (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund to cover rate increases for contracted secure facilities. In accordance with 7-32-2242, MCA, increases to the rate for Crossroads Correctional Center also increased the daily rate for county detention centers which is included in this initiative.

DP 210 - Leased Vehicle Funding - Existing (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund to cover the increased cost of changing out vehicles to more robust suvs on 22 existing leases in the Probation & Parole Bureau.

DP 280 - Increase County Jail Hold (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund to increase base funding for jail hold reimbursement costs to be based off an average daily population (ADP) of 350. An ADP of 250 is used in the agency's current base budget.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026					-Fiscal 2027		
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 201 - Recruit	ment & Reter			I						
21 201 11001ull	0.00	600.000	0	0	600,000	0.00	600,000	0	0	600,000
DP 202 - Public	Safety Securi	,	Licenses (R		,		,			,
	0.00	1,650,000	`0	ý 0	1,650,000	0.00	800,000	0	0	800,000
DP 203 - Perforn	nance Advand	cement Wage S	Scale							
	0.00	400,000	0	0	400,000	0.00	400,000	0	0	400,000
DP 205 - Assista	ince for Youth	Population (R	ST)							
	0.00	77,500	0	0	77,500	0.00	77,500	0	0	77,500
DP 206 - K-9 Pro	ogram (RST)									
	4.00	478,801	0	0	478,801	4.00	447,800	0	0	447,80
DP 207 - Vehicle	•	` '								
	0.00	334,000	0	0	334,000	0.00	334,000	0	0	334,00
DP 208 - Secure		. ,								
	0.00	461,000	0	0	461,000	0.00	461,000	0	0	461,000
DP 211 - Leased		•								
	0.00	101,838	0	0	101,838	0.00	101,838	0	0	101,838
DP 229 - Contra				0	44 000 000	0.00	40,400,000	0	0	10 100 00
DD 075 Make (0.00	11,800,000	0	0	11,800,000	0.00	12,100,000	0	0	12,100,00
DP 275 - Make (0	0	750 692	0.00	760 407	0	0	760 40
Total	9.00	759,682 \$16,662,821	\$0	0 \$0		9.00 13.00	,	0 \$0	0	762,423 \$16,084,56

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 201 - Recruitment & Retention - Invest in Employee Training -

The legislature adopted general fund authority to support ongoing recruitment and retention efforts and to aide in conducting formal training to develop field training officers, account for increased costs for officers to travel to and attend the Montana Law Enforcement Academy and adequately provide training supplies and equipment.

DP 202 - Public Safety Security Equipment & Licenses (RST) -

The legislature adopted additional general fund for new equipment and technology including firearm purchasing and replacement in addition to other pieces of equipment.

DP 203 - Performance Advancement Wage Scale -

The legislature adopted general fund to incentivize skills and training by rewarding extra duties and certifications for employees.

DP 205 - Assistance for Youth Population (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund to provide for increases in costs of contracted placements for juveniles and to fund caseworker services for young adults who are being released from the juvenile system.

<u>DP 206 - K-9 Program (RST) -</u>

The legislature adopted restricted general fund for 4.00 new PB, to support the implementation of a K-9 program that would consist of four officers who utilize trained dogs to search for narcotics.

DP 207 - Vehicle Replacement (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund to aide in establishing an ongoing replacement cycle for current vehicles.

DP 208 - Secure Facility Equipment (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund to allow for the purchase or replacement of heavy equipment utilized for building and road maintenance, such as forklifts, manlifts, graders, and excavators and to establish an ongoing lease/replacement cycle for these items.

DP 211 - Leased Vehicle Funding - new (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund to increase the number of leased vehicles in the division.

DP 229 - Contracted Out-of-State Secure Beds -

The legislature adopted general fund to cover the costs for 360 contracted bed spaces.

DP 275 - Make OTO PB Permanent -

The legislature adopted general fund to continue 9.00 PB provided as one-time-only last session.

Program Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Program Base Budget Comparison					
	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change	e from Base
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent
PB	217.50	224.50	224.50	7.00	1.6%
General Fund	112,002,837	120,076,157	121,625,866	17,696,349	7.9%
State/Other Special Rev. Funds	4,766,296	4,760,709	4,760,863	(11,020)	(0.1%)
Total Funds	116,769,133	124,836,866	126,386,729	17,685,329	7.6%
Personal Services	20,555,180	23,219,069	23,612,419	5,721,128	13.9%
Operating Expenses	95,958,836	101,343,187	102,499,710	11,925,225	6.2%
Transfers	235,117	235,117	235,117		0.0%
Debt Service	20,000	39,493	39,483	38,976	97.4%
Total Expenditures	116,769,133	124,836,866	126,386,729	17,685,329	7.6%
Total Ongoing	116,769,133	124,228,823	125,148,172	15,838,729	6.8%
Total One-Time-Only	2,709,863	608,043	1,238,557	(3,573,126)	(65.9%)

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LFD Budget Analysis, D-151

Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

54 93 79 93 29	20,106,055 86,322,530 241,367 117,347 \$106,787,299	20,628,777 98,595,102 235,117 20,000	23,219,069 101,343,187 235,117 39,493	23,612,419 102,499,710 235,117 39,483
93 79 93	86,322,530 241,367 117,347	98,595,102 235,117 20,000	101,343,187 235,117 39,493	102,499,710 235,117
79 93	241,367 117,347	235,117 20,000	235,117 39,493	235,117
93	117,347	235,117 20,000	39,493	,
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29	\$106 787 200			
	\$100,707,233	\$119,478,996	\$124,836,866	\$126,386,729
11	102.020.962	114.712.700	120.076.157	121,625,866
18	4,766,337	4,766,296	4,760,709	4,760,863
29	\$106,787,299	\$119,478,996	\$124,836,866	\$126,386,729
34	\$104,249,648	\$116,769,133	\$124,228,823	\$125,148,172
	18 29	4,766,337 29 \$106,787,299 34 \$104,249,648	18 4,766,337 4,766,296 29 \$106,787,299 \$119,478,996 34 \$104,249,648 \$116,769,133	18 4,766,337 4,766,296 4,760,709 29 \$106,787,299 \$119,478,996 \$124,836,866 34 \$104,249,648 \$116,769,133 \$124,228,823

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Funding

The Rehabilitation and Programs Division HB 2 budget is comprised mostly of general fund with remaining balances being from state special revenues. These state special funds are from the inmate canteen state special fund which receives revenues from the sale of products to inmates and is paid by inmates through inmate wages and money received from family members.

Additional funding supports functions related to Montana Correctional Enterprises (MCE), now located within the Rehabilitation and Programs Division. Non-budgeted proprietary funds such as license plate productions, prison ranch, and cook chill operations make up the largest portion of funding for the MCE.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		oilitation and Pi m HB 2 Base E								
		FY 2026						FY 2027				
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request		
Base Budget	112,002,837	4,766,296	(116,769,133	93.5%	112,002,837	4,766,296	0 ·	116,769,133	92.4%		
Statewide PL Personal Services Fixed Costs Inflation Deflation Total Statewide PL Present Law (PL) New Proposals	1,526,501 19,493 (1,251) 1,544,743 0 6,528,577	(5,587) 0 (5,587) 0 0) 19,493) (1,251)) 1,539,156) 0	1.2% 0.0% (0.0%) 1.2% 0.0% 5.2%	1,575,821 19,483 (845) 1,594,459 0 8,028,570	(5,433) 0 (5,433) 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	1,570,388 19,483 (845) 1,589,026 0 8,028,570	1.2% 0.0% (0.0%) 1.3% 0.0% 6.4%		
Total HB 2 Adjustments	8,073,320	(5,587)	(8,067,733	6.5%	9,623,029	(5,433)	0	9,617,596	7.6%		
Total Budget	120,076,157	4,760,709	() 124,836,866		121,625,866	4,760,863	0	126,386,729			

Present Law Adjustments -

The "Present Law" Adjustments table shows the changes from the base appropriation to the adopted budget. "Statewide Present Law" adjustments (DP 1, DP 2, DP 3) are standard categories of adjustments made to all agencies. Decisions on these items were applied globally to all agencies.

	Fiscal 2026Fiscal 2026						Fiscal 2027					
F	РΒ	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds		
DP 1 - Personal Servi	ices											
	0.00	1,526,501	(5,587)	0	1,520,914	0.00	1,575,821	(5,433)	0	1,570,388		
DP 2 - Fixed Costs												
	0.00	19,493	0	0	19,493	0.00	19,483	0	0	19,483		
DP 3 - Inflation Deflat	ion											
	0.00	(1,251)	0	0	(1,251)	0.00	(845)	0	0	(845		
Grand Total All	Present	Law Adjustm	ents									
	0.00	\$1,544,743	(\$5,587)	\$0	\$1,539,156	0.00	\$1,594,459	(\$5,433)	\$0	\$1,589,026		

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

The legislature adopted adjustments to the present law personal services budget.

DP 2 - Fixed Costs -

The legislature adopted adjustments to provide the funding required in the proposed budget to pay increases in fixed costs assessed by other agencies within state government for the services they provide. Examples include: audit fees, Capitol complex rent, information technology services, etc. The rates charged for these services are approved in the section of the budget that provides the services.

DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

			Fiscal 2026		Fiscal 2027						
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	
DP 307 - Parenti	ng Program (I	RST)									
	1.00	120,000	0	0	120,000	1.00	120,000	0	0	120,00	
DP 310 - Make M	lodified Teacl	ner Positions P	ermanent at	MWP							
	2.00	0	0	0	0	2.00	0	0	0		
DP 313 - Respor	d to Increase	d Medical/Pha	macy Needs	(RST)							
	0.00	432,282	0	0	432,282	0.00	417,282	0	0	417,28	
DP 314 - Respor	d to Increase	in Number of I	Registered V	ictims							
	2.00	235,900	0	0	235,900	2.00	233,400	0	0	233,40	
DP 375 - Make C	TO PB Perm	anent									
	2.00	212,608	0	0	212,608	2.00	212,608	0	0	212,60	
DP 380 - Commu	,	,	te Adjustmer	its							
	0.00	4,403,396	0	0	4,403,396	0.00	4,946,500	0	0	4,946,50	
DP 381 - 2.0% R			ase Centers	· /							
	0.00	608,043	0	0	608,043	0.00	1,238,557	0	0	1,238,55	
DP 385 - Equaliz	,										
	0.00	516,348	0	0		0.00	860,223	0	0	860,22	
Total	7.00	\$6,528,577	\$0	\$0	\$6,528,577	7.00	\$8,028,570	\$0	\$0	\$8,028,57	

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 307 - Parenting Program (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund for the continuation of the Connecting Adults and Minors through Positive Parenting (CAMMP) MT program and 1.00 new PB to oversee the program. This program had been funded by federal grant funding which is slated to end in September of 2025.

DP 310 - Make Modified Teacher Positions Permanent at MWP -

The legislature adopted 2.00 additional teacher positions at the Montana Women's Prison with no additional funding as these are currently modified positions in the agency.

DP 313 - Respond to Increased Medical/Pharmacy Needs (RST) -

The legislature adopted general fund for an automated remote pharmacy solution and for the replacement of some outdated medical equipment.

DP 314 - Respond to Increase in Number of Registered Victims -

The legislature adopted general fund to support 2.00 additional victim services liaisons and associated operating expenses.

DP 375 - Make OTO PB Permanent -

The legislature adopted general fund for 2.00 PB which had been provided as one-time-only last session.

DP 380 - Community Correctional Facility Rate Adjustments -

The legislature adopted general fund to cover provider rate increases for community corrections treatment and assessment centers and to continue funding for a few initiatives within community correctional facilities provided as one-time-only last session.

DP 381 - 2.0% Rate Adjustment for Pre-Release Centers (OTO) -

The legislature adopted one-time-only general fund to cover a temporary 2.0% yearly increase in provider rates for the 2027 biennium as contract renegotiations are being completed.

DP 385 - Equalize Nurse Pay -

The legislature adopted general fund to standardize nurse position wages among all facilities in the Department.

Program Base Budget Comparison

The following table compares the base budget with the expenditures adopted for the upcoming biennium by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Base Budget	Budge	t	Biennium Change from Base		
Budget Item	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Amount	Percent	
PB	11.00	12.00	12.00	1.00	4.5%	
General Fund	1,302,980	1,358,296	1,361,610	113,946	4.4%	
Total Funds	1,302,980	1,358,296	1,361,610	113,946	4.4%	
Personal Services	1,112,809	1,168,392	1,171,619	114,393	5.1%	
Operating Expenses	133,271	133,004	133,091	(447)	(0.2%)	
Debt Service	56,900	56,900	56,900	. ,	0.0%	
Total Expenditures	1,302,980	1,358,296	1,361,610	113,946	4.4%	
Total Ongoing	1,302,980	1,358,296	1,361,610	113,946	4.4%	
Total One-Time-Only	88,597			(177,194)	(100.0%)	

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Program Actuals and Budget Comparison

The following table compares FY 2024 actual expenditures, FY 2024 and FY 2025 appropriations, and the adopted budget for FY 2026 and FY 2027 by type of expenditure and source of funding.

	Actuals	Approp.	Approp.	Legislative	Legislative
Budget Item	Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2025	Fiscal 2026	Fiscal 2027
Personal Services	1,098,000	1,134,748	1,186,406	1,168,392	1,171,619
Operating Expenses	63,193	89,720	148,271	133,004	133,091
Debt Service	56,899	56,900	56,900	56,900	56,900
Total Expenditures	\$1,218,092	\$1,281,368	\$1,391,577	\$1,358,296	\$1,361,610
General Fund	1,218,092	1,281,368	1,391,577	1,358,296	1,361,610
Total Funds	\$1,218,092	\$1,281,368	\$1,391,577	\$1,358,296	\$1,361,610
Total Ongoing Total OTO	\$1,190,351 \$27,741	\$1,196,578 \$84,790	\$1,302,980 \$88,597	\$1,358,296 \$0	\$1,361,610 \$0

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Funding

The Board of Pardons and Parole is fully funded by the general fund.

Legislative Budget

The following table shows the base budget and the statewide present law adjustments, present law adjustments, and new proposals adopted by the legislature by source of funding.

		20		rd of Pardons HB 2 Base B	s and Parole Judget and Ac	ljustments				
			FY 2026			FY 2027				
	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	% of Budget Request
Base Budget	1,302,980	0	0	1,302,980	95.9%	1,302,980	0	0	1,302,980	95.7%
Statewide PL										
Personal Services	(21,829)	0	0	(21,829)	(1.6%)	(18,601)	0	0	(18,601)	(1.4%)
Fixed Costs	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Inflation Deflation	(267)	0	0	(267)	(0.0%)	(180)	0	0	(180)	(0.0%)
Total Statewide PL	(22,096)	0	0	(22,096)	(1.6%)	(18,781)	0	0	(18,781)	(1.4%)
Present Law (PL)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0%
New Proposals	77,412	0	0	77,412	5.7%	77,411	0	0	77,411	5.7%
Total HB 2 Adjustments	55,316	0	0	55,316	4.1%	58,630	0	0	58,630	4.3%
Total Budget	1,358,296	0	0	1,358,296		1,361,610	0	0	1,361,610	

Present Law Adjustments -

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			Fiscal 2026		Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds
DP 1 - Persona	al Services									
	0.00	(21,829)	0	0	(21,829)	0.00	(18,601)	0	0	(18,601
DP 3 - Inflation	Deflation									
	0.00	(267)	0	0	(267)	0.00	(180)	0	0	(180)
Grand To	otal All Present	Law Adjustm	ents							
	0.00	(\$22,096)	\$0	\$0	(\$22,096)	0.00	(\$18,781)	\$0	\$0	(\$18,781)

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 1 - Personal Services -

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DP 3 - Inflation Deflation -

The legislature adopted adjustments to reflect budgetary changes generated from the application of inflation and deflation factors to specific expenditure accounts. Affected accounts include in-state state motor pool and motor pool leased vehicles.

New Proposals -

The "New Proposals" table shows new changes to spending.

		Fiscal 2026						Fiscal 2027					
	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds	PB	General Fund	State Special	Federal Special	Total Funds			
DP 475 - Make	e OTO PB Perm	anent											
	1.00	77,412	0	0	77,412	1.00	77,411	0	0	77,41			
Total	1.00	\$77,412	\$0	\$0	\$77,412	1.00	\$77,411	\$0	\$0	\$77,41			

*"Total Funds" amount includes funding from sources other than General Fund, State Special, or Federal Special (i.e. Proprietary).

DP 475 - Make OTO PB Permanent -

The legislature adopted to continue 1.00 additional position provided for as one-time-only in the previous session.