

# **Greenbook**

## **LBO Analysis of Enacted Budget**

### **Legislative Service Commission**

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Appropriation Spreadsheet

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## Legislative Service Commission

### Quick look...

- The Legislative Service Commission (LSC) is a nonpartisan agency providing drafting, fiscal, research, training, and other technical services to the General Assembly.
- LSC's governing authority consists of 14 members of the General Assembly, including the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate.
  - The Speaker and President each appoint six additional members, with no more than four of the appointed members from each chamber belonging to the same political party.
- The day-to-day operation of LSC is the responsibility of a director who is appointed by the governing authority. LSC staff includes budget analysts and economists within the Legislative Budget Office (LBO), attorneys and research analysts within the Office of Research and Drafting (ORD), and support personnel.
- All funding for the LSC budget comes from the General Revenue Fund (GRF).
- The LSC budget contains an appropriation item that funds an additional legislative agency, Legislative Information Systems (LIS). It also provides funding for the Correctional Institution Inspection Committee (CIIC) through the end of September 2025, when CIIC is abolished and its responsibilities are transferred to a new office within the Attorney General's Office.

Fund Group	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
General Revenue	\$33,952,872	\$37,836,122	\$42,937,000	\$42,712,000
Dedicated Purpose	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$33,962,872	\$37,836,122	\$42,937,000	\$42,712,000
% change	--	11.4%	13.5%	-0.5%
GRF % change	--	11.4%	13.5%	-0.5%

### Analysis of FY 2026-FY 2027 budget

#### Legislative Service Commission (ALI 035321)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>GRF ALI 035321, Operating Expenses</b>					
\$17,724,084	\$17,443,769	\$18,547,340	\$19,441,939	\$24,800,000	\$24,800,000
% change	-1.6%	6.3%	4.8%	27.6%	0.0%

LSC operations are primarily funded by GRF line item 035321, Operating Expenses. The budget reappropriates an amount requested by the LSC Director, up to the available balance of item 035321 at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026, to item 035321 for FY 2026 and FY 2027, respectively.

The budget abolishes the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee (JMOC) and transfers legislative oversight of the state's Medicaid Program from JMOC to the standing committees in the House and Senate that primarily consider Medicaid legislation. The budget requires LSC to provide administrative support to assist the standing committees in carrying out this oversight and contract biennially with an actuary to calculate the projected medical inflation rate.

## Legislative Fellows (ALI 035402)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>GRF ALI 035402, Legislative Fellows</b>					
\$1,049,409	\$977,750	\$1,105,951	\$1,139,184	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000
% change	-6.8%	13.1%	3.0%	5.3%	0.0%

This line item funds a legislative fellowship program designed to provide college graduates with practical experience in the legislative process as paid full-time staff for the General Assembly, Ohio Government Telecommunications (OGT)/The Ohio Channel, or LSC. Traditionally, the program supports 24 fellows, including ten in the House, ten in the Senate, two in OGT, and two in LSC.

## Correctional Institution Inspection Committee (ALI 035405)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>GRF ALI 035405, Correctional Institution Inspection Committee</b>					
\$423,781	\$417,981	\$443,820	\$563,498	\$125,000	\$0
% change	-1.4%	6.2%	27.0%	-77.8%	-100.0%

This line item supports the operating costs of the Correctional Institution Inspection Committee (CIIC) through the end of September 2025, at which time CIIC is abolished. CIIC was statutorily required to inspect and evaluate Ohio's prisons and authorized to inspect and evaluate state juvenile correctional facilities. The budget transfers these responsibilities to the newly created Office of Correctional Facility Inspection Services within the Attorney General's Office.

## National Associations (ALI 035409)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>GRF ALI 035409, National Associations</b>					
\$600,000	\$524,298	\$600,000	\$600,000	\$712,000	\$712,000
% change	-12.6%	14.4%	0.0%	18.7%	0.0%

This line item pays dues for Ohio's membership in several national associations, including the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) and the Council of State Governments (CSG). NCSL and CSG dues are determined by the two organizations using a population-based formula, while other organizations charge a flat annual amount.

## Legislative Information Systems (ALI 035410)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>GRF ALI 035410, Legislative Information Systems</b>					
\$7,949,106	\$11,305,823	\$12,843,496	\$16,014,616	\$15,000,000	\$15,000,000
% change	42.2%	13.6%	24.7%	-6.3%	0.0%

This line item funds the operations of the Legislative Information Systems (LIS). Originally established in 1995 through a resolution of the Legislative Service Commission, LIS serves the General Assembly and legislative agencies by providing computer network services, telephone services, development of new or improved computer applications, development and maintenance of websites for the General Assembly and legislative agencies, and computer education training services. For example, LIS is responsible for the design and support of SOLAR (State of Ohio Legislative Application Repository). SOLAR entails everything from the initial drafting requests to LSC, through consideration and approval by both the House and Senate, to the preparation of an act for presentation to the Governor. It has modernized Ohio's legislation management system.

The day-to-day operation of LIS is the responsibility of the Director, who is appointed by the Commission. The LIS Director functions as the General Assembly's chief technical officer who acts to improve cooperation, standards conformity, and security in all General Assembly information technology (IT) organizations. Including the Director, LIS employs approximately 40 staff members.

The budget reappropriates an amount requested by the LSC Director, up to the available balance of line item 035410 at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026, to line item 035410 for FY 2026 and FY 2027, respectively.

## Other appropriation items included in the LSC budget group

The LSC budget group contains two other "as needed" line items: GRF line items 035407, Legislative Task Force on Redistricting, and 035501, Litigation. Line item 035407 supports the operating costs of the Legislative Task Force on Redistricting, which assists the General Assembly and the Ohio Redistricting Commission in establishing Congressional and state General Assembly districts, respectively. In addition to the appropriation for line item 035407 in FY 2026, the budget reappropriates an amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered portion of line item 035407 at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026 for Task Force operations in FY 2026 and FY 2027, respectively.

Line item 035501 is used for any lawsuit in which the General Assembly, or either house of the General Assembly, is made a party. The budget also reappropriates an amount equal to

the unexpended, unencumbered portion of line item 035501 at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026 for the same purposes in FY 2026 and FY 2027, respectively.

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>GRF ALI 035407, Legislative Task Force on Redistricting</b>					
\$632,529	\$42,033	\$269,342	\$0	\$100,000	\$0
% change	-93.4%	540.8%	-100.0%	N/A	-100.0%
<b>GRF ALI 035501, Litigation</b>					
\$1,402,057	\$799,291	\$142,922	\$76,886	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
% change	-43.0%	-82.1%	-46.2%	1,200.6%	0.0%

**FY 2026 - FY 2027 Final Appropriations  
All Fund Groups - Detail**

**H.B. 96 - Main Operating Appropriations Bill**

Detail by Agency			FY 2024	FY 2025	Appropriation FY 2026	Appropriation FY 2027	FY 2025 to FY 2026 % Change	FY 2026 to FY 2027 % Change
<b>LSC Legislative Service Commission</b>								
GRF	035321	Operating Expenses	\$18,547,340	\$19,441,939	\$24,800,000	\$24,800,000	27.56%	0.00%
GRF	035402	Legislative Fellows	\$1,105,951	\$1,139,184	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	5.34%	0.00%
GRF	035405	Correctional Institution Inspection Committee	\$443,820	\$563,498	\$125,000	\$0	-77.82%	-100.00%
GRF	035407	Legislative Task Force on Redistricting	\$269,342	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	N/A	-100.00%
GRF	035409	National Associations	\$600,000	\$600,000	\$712,000	\$712,000	18.67%	0.00%
GRF	035410	Legislative Information Systems	\$12,843,496	\$16,014,616	\$15,000,000	\$15,000,000	-6.34%	0.00%
GRF	035501	Litigation	\$142,922	\$76,886	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	1,200.63%	0.00%
<b>General Revenue Fund Subtotal</b>			<b>\$33,952,872</b>	<b>\$37,836,122</b>	<b>\$42,937,000</b>	<b>\$42,712,000</b>	<b>13.48%</b>	<b>-0.52%</b>
4100	035601	Sale of Publications	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A	N/A
<b>Dedicated Purpose Fund Group Subtotal</b>			<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Legislative Service Commission Total</b>			<b>\$33,962,872</b>	<b>\$37,836,122</b>	<b>\$42,937,000</b>	<b>\$42,712,000</b>	<b>13.48%</b>	<b>-0.52%</b>