

Department of Consumer Protection DCP39500

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 19	Actual FY 20	Appropriation FY 21	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23
General Fund	218	222	222	282	282	221	221

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 19	Actual FY 20	Appropriation FY 21	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23
Personal Services	11,906,869	12,537,354	14,110,498	17,712,272	19,908,593	14,099,306	14,610,514
Other Expenses	1,099,306	926,030	1,148,428	3,898,922	3,636,650	1,142,686	1,142,686
Agency Total - General Fund	13,006,175	13,463,384	15,258,926	21,611,194	23,545,243	15,241,992	15,753,200
Additional Funds Available							
Federal & Other Restricted Act	738,289	1,152,135	1,746,220	763,403	306,710	763,403	306,710
Special Funds, Non-Appropriated	5,700	4,800	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Private Contributions & Other Restricted	7,584,398	7,045,413	8,531,801	8,535,591	8,787,920	8,535,591	8,787,920
Agency Grand Total	21,334,562	21,665,732	25,542,947	30,916,188	32,645,873	24,546,986	24,853,830

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23

Policy Revisions

Provide Funding to License Real Estate Broker Teams

Personal Services	-	-	157,768	121,301	157,768	121,301
Total - General Fund	-	-	157,768	121,301	157,768	121,301
Positions - General Fund	-	-	2	2	2	2

Background

Public Act 21-167, An Act Concerning Licensing Requirements for Real Estate Brokers, requires the Department of Consumer Protection to license and regulate real estate teams.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$157,768 in FY 22 and \$121,301 in FY 23 for one processing technician, one real estate examiner, and a consultant for three months.

Provide Funding to Investigate Prescription Drug Violations

Personal Services	-	-	80,071	80,071	80,071	80,071
Total - General Fund	-	-	80,071	80,071	80,071	80,071
Positions - General Fund	-	-	1	1	1	1

Background

SB 262, An Act Requiring Manufacturers of Brand Name Prescription Drugs to Provide Samples of Such Drugs to Manufacturers of Generic Prescription Drugs, makes it a Connecticut Unfair Trade Practice if a drug manufacturer violates the provisions of the bill.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$80,071 in FY 22 and FY 23 to hire one attorney to investigate drug manufacturer unfair trade practice violations.

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23

Regulation of Recreational Use of Cannabis

Personal Services	3,850,805	5,023,477	-	-	(3,850,805)	(5,023,477)
Other Expenses	2,756,236	2,493,964	-	-	(2,756,236)	(2,493,964)
Total - General Fund	6,607,041	7,517,441	-	-	(6,607,041)	(7,517,441)
Positions - General Fund	64	64	-	-	(64)	(64)

Background

The Governor's bill, *An Act Concerning Responsibly and Equitably Regulating Adult-Use Cannabis*, legalizes adult cannabis use for those 21 years of age or older beginning in May of 2022. The Governor's budget provides funding of \$11.5 million in FY 22 and \$14.2 million in FY 23 across various agencies within the General Fund and Special Transportation Fund to implement, regulate, and enforce this bill.

Governor

Provide funding of \$6.6 million in FY 22 and \$7.5 million in FY 23 to hire 64 people within DCP to license, regulate, and enforce the sale of recreational cannabis.

Legislative

Funding is not provided to hire 64 people for the sale of recreational cannabis.

The license, regulation, and enforcement of recreational cannabis shall be funded through a non-appropriated account which is backed by revenue generated from the licensing and taxation of cannabis. *June Special Session Public Act 21-1, An Act Concerning Responsible and Equitable Regulation of Adult-Use Cannabis*, legalizes cannabis and creates the legal structure to tax and regulate the market.

The department is authorized to hire up to 18 people in FY 22 and up to an additional 18 in FY 23 for licensing, regulating, and enforcing the sale of recreational cannabis. The department is required to report to the Appropriations Committee regarding cannabis staffing levels by January 1, 2022.

Eliminate Vacant Positions

Personal Services	(237,987)	237,987	(237,987)	(237,987)	-	(475,974)
Total - General Fund	(237,987)	237,987	(237,987)	(237,987)	-	(475,974)
Positions - General Fund	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	-	-

Governor

Reduce funding by \$237,987 in FY 22 and FY 23 to reflect the elimination of 4 positions that are currently vacant.

Legislative

Reduce funding by \$237,987 in FY 22 and FY 23 to reflect the elimination of 4 positions that are currently vacant. The committee adjusted the FY 23 number to correct a typographical error in the Governor's budget.

Annualize FY 21 Rescissions

Personal Services	(140,105)	(140,105)	(140,105)	(140,105)	-	-
Other Expenses	(5,742)	(5,742)	(5,742)	(5,742)	-	-
Total - General Fund	(145,847)	(145,847)	(145,847)	(145,847)	-	-

Background

The Governor implemented General Fund rescissions in FY 21 totaling \$25.3 million across state agencies. The Governor's FY 22 and FY 23 Budget annualizes \$22.6 million of these rescissions in both FY 22 and FY 23 across various agencies.

Governor

Reduce funding by \$145,847 in both FY 22 and FY 23 to annualize the Governor's FY 21 rescissions.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23

Current Services

Provide Funding for Wage and Compensation Related Increases

Personal Services	129,061	676,736	129,061	676,736	-	-
Total - General Fund	129,061	676,736	129,061	676,736	-	-

Background

The Governor’s FY 22 and FY 23 Budget provides funding of \$135.9 million in FY 22 and \$383.9 million in FY 23, across six appropriated funds, to reflect current services wage-related adjustments such as an annual increment, cost of living adjustment (COLA), general wage increase, and the 27th payroll. Normally there are 26 pay periods in a fiscal year, however, every 11 years there is an additional pay period. The 27th payroll occurs again in FY 23.

Governor

Provide funding of \$129,061 in FY 22 and \$676,736 in FY 23 to reflect this agency’s increased wage costs.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23
FY 21 Appropriation - GF	15,258,926	15,258,926	15,258,926	15,258,926	-	-
Policy Revisions	6,223,207	7,609,581	(145,995)	(182,462)	(6,369,202)	(7,792,043)
Current Services	129,061	676,736	129,061	676,736	-	-
Total Recommended - GF	21,611,194	23,545,243	15,241,992	15,753,200	(6,369,202)	(7,792,043)

Positions	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23	FY 22	FY 23
FY 21 Appropriation - GF	222	222	222	222	-	-
Policy Revisions	60	60	(1)	(1)	(61)	(61)
Total Recommended - GF	282	282	221	221	(61)	(61)