

Attorney General OAG29000

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 21	Actual FY 22	Appropriation FY 23	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
General Fund	311	314	314	320	320	319	319
Cannabis Regulatory Fund	-	-	-	-	-	4	4

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 21	Actual FY 22	Appropriation FY 23	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
Personal Services	31,738,663	32,642,032	34,736,782	37,686,750	38,143,293	37,290,388	37,821,931
Other Expenses	841,498	790,090	1,034,810	1,034,810	1,034,810	1,034,810	1,034,810
Agency Total - General Fund	32,580,161	33,432,122	35,771,592	38,721,560	39,178,103	38,325,198	38,856,741
Personal Services	-	-	-	-	-	396,362	396,362
Agency Total - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	-	-	-	-	-	396,362	396,362
Total - Appropriated Funds	32,580,161	33,432,122	35,771,592	38,721,560	39,178,103	38,721,560	39,253,103
Additional Funds Available							
Carry Forward Funding	-	-	250,000	-	-	-	-
Agency Grand Total	32,580,161	33,432,122	36,021,592	38,721,560	39,178,103	38,721,560	39,253,103

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

Policy Revisions

Provide Funding for False Claims

Personal Services	-	-	275,000	350,000	275,000	350,000
Total - General Fund	-	-	275,000	350,000	275,000	350,000
Positions - General Fund	-	-	3	3	3	3

Legislative

Provide funding of \$275,000 in FY 24 and \$350,000 in FY 25 for one Forensics Examiner and two Assistant Attorneys General to handle additional false claims work as required under PA 23-129, the expanded False Claims Act.

Adjust Funding for Regulation, Prevention & Education of Adult Recreational Cannabis Use

Personal Services	396,362	396,362	-	-	(396,362)	(396,362)
Total - General Fund	396,362	396,362	-	-	(396,362)	(396,362)
Positions - General Fund	4	4	-	-	(4)	(4)
Personal Services	-	-	396,362	396,362	396,362	396,362
Total - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	-	-	396,362	396,362	396,362	396,362
Positions - Cannabis Regulatory Fund	-	-	4	4	4	4

Background

PA 21-1 JSS, *An Act Concerning Responsible and Equitable Regulation of Adult-Use Cannabis*, legalized recreational cannabis use for adults 21 years of age or older. Recreational cannabis sales began in January 2023. The Governor's Recommended Budget moves all

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	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

recreational cannabis expenditures from a non-appropriated, off- budget account to the General Fund, Special Transportation Fund, and two newly-created, appropriated funds that are on-budget.

Fund	Agencies	FY 24 \$ (in millions)	FY 25 \$ (in millions)
General Fund	DCP, DESPP, DRS, DPH, OAG, AES, UConn, OWS	9.0	9.2
Social Equity and Innovation Fund	DECD	5.8	10.2
Prevention and Recovery Services Fund	DMHAS	2.4	3.4
Special Transportation Fund	DOT, DMV	1.1	1.1
TOTAL		18.3	23.8

*Totals are rounded to the nearest tenth of a million. The sum of the four funds for FY 25 is \$0.1 million less than the reflected total due to rounding.

Governor

Provide funding of \$396,362 in both FY 24 and FY 25 for the regulation, prevention, and education of adult recreational cannabis.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$396,362 in both FY 24 and FY 25, and four positions, in the Cannabis Regulatory Fund (not the General Fund) for the regulation, prevention, and education of adult recreational cannabis.

Adjust Funding for Tobacco Enforcement

Personal Services	-	-	(275,000)	(275,000)	(275,000)	(275,000)
Total - General Fund	-	-	(275,000)	(275,000)	(275,000)	(275,000)

Background

Two positions within the agency have been supported by tobacco settlement funds through the tobacco litigation settlement account. This account has insufficient funds to maintain support of the positions in FY 23, resulting in an approximate General Fund cost to the agency of \$275,000. The Governor’s recommended General Fund budget would require the agency to absorb the cost of these two positions in the FY 24 - FY 25 biennium.

Legislative

The agency’s estimated General Fund costs to fund three positions related to tobacco enforcement are removed. Instead, tobacco settlement funds will be designated to continue supporting three positions. Section 34 of PA 23-204, the FY 24 and FY 25 budget, distributes \$550,000 from the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Account for the Office of the Attorney General’s tobacco enforcement activities during FY 24 and FY 25.

Provide Funding for Staff to Implement the Personal Data Privacy and Online Monitoring Provisions of PA 22-15

Personal Services	134,628	134,628	134,628	134,628	-	-
Total - General Fund	134,628	134,628	134,628	134,628	-	-
Positions - General Fund	2	2	2	2	-	-

Background

PA 22-15, *AAC Personal Data Privacy and Online Monitoring*, establishes a framework for controlling and processing personal data. It: (1) sets responsibilities and privacy protection standards for data controllers and processors; (2) gives consumers the right to access, correct, delete, and obtain a copy of personal data and to opt out of the processing of personal data for targeted advertising; (3) requires controllers to conduct data protection assessments; (4) authorizes the attorney general to bring an action to enforce the bill’s requirements; and (5) deems violations of the act to be Connecticut Unfair Trade Practices Act (CUTPA) violations.

Relatedly, Section 76 of PA 21-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), the FY 23 Revised Budget, provided carryforward funding of up to \$250,000 in FY 23 for data security consultants.

Governor

Provide funding of \$134,628 in both FY 24 and FY 25 and two new positions, one paralegal and one administrative assistant, to implement the various provisions of PA 22-15. The Office of the Attorney General is solely responsible for interpreting, developing guidance for, and enforcing the various provisions of the act, including public education and investigation of complaints.

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25

Legislative

Same as Governor, including for child data privacy purposes as required under PA 23-56, *AAC Online Privacy, Data, and Safety Protections*.

Current Services

Provide Funding for Existing Wage Agreements

Personal Services	3,622,862	4,079,405	3,622,862	4,079,405	-	-
Total - General Fund	3,622,862	4,079,405	3,622,862	4,079,405	-	-

Background

The Governor's Recommended Budget provides net funding of \$237.2 million in FY 24 and \$394 million in FY 25, across six appropriated funds, to reflect current wage-related adjustments resulting from existing wage agreements.

Governor

Provide funding of \$3,622,862 in FY 24 and \$4,079,405 in FY 25 to reflect this agency's increased wage costs.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Salary Increases Included in PA 22-85

Personal Services	79,483	79,483	79,483	79,483	-	-
Total - General Fund	79,483	79,483	79,483	79,483	-	-

Background

PA 22-85, *An Act Concerning the Compensation of Legislators and Constitutional Officers*, increased annual salaries for legislators, the governor, the lieutenant governor, and constitutional officers (secretary of the state, treasurer, state comptroller, and attorney general).

Governor

Provide funding of \$79,483 in both FY 24 and FY 25 for salary increases.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Remove Funding for 27th Payroll

Personal Services	(1,283,367)	(1,283,367)	(1,283,367)	(1,283,367)	-	-
Total - General Fund	(1,283,367)	(1,283,367)	(1,283,367)	(1,283,367)	-	-

Background

The FY 23 Revised Budget included a total of \$128,456,014 for an extra 27th pay period for six appropriated funds. There are usually 26 pay periods in a fiscal year, but every 11 years there is an additional 27th pay period.

Governor

Remove funding of \$1,283,367 in both FY 24 and FY 25 to reflect 26 pay periods in each fiscal year.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
FY 23 Appropriation - GF	35,771,592	35,771,592	35,771,592	35,771,592	-	-
Policy Revisions	530,990	530,990	134,628	209,628	(396,362)	(321,362)
Current Services	2,418,978	2,875,521	2,418,978	2,875,521	-	-
Total Recommended - GF	38,721,560	39,178,103	38,325,198	38,856,741	(396,362)	(321,362)
FY 23 Appropriation - CANF	-	-	-	-	-	-
Policy Revisions	-	-	396,362	396,362	396,362	396,362
Total Recommended - CANF	-	-	396,362	396,362	396,362	396,362

Positions	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25	FY 24	FY 25
FY 23 Appropriation - GF	314	314	314	314	-	-
Policy Revisions	6	6	5	5	(1)	(1)
Total Recommended - GF	320	320	319	319	(1)	(1)
FY 23 Appropriation - CANF	-	-	-	-	-	-
Policy Revisions	-	-	4	4	4	4
Total Recommended - CANF	-	-	4	4	4	4