

DIVISION OF THE BUDGET

MISSION

The Governor is responsible under the State Constitution for the preparation and execution of the State's expenditure and revenue plans. The Division of the Budget prepares a proposed budget under the Governor's direction and executes the budget as adopted by the Legislature. The Division also serves as the Governor's primary advisor on such fiscal matters as local government and public authority finances.

ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

Headed by the Director of the Budget, the Division is located in Albany. The Division's workforce is supported through both the General Fund and Special Revenues.

FISCAL BACKGROUND AND BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The recommended General Fund appropriation for 2006-07 of \$33.5 million will fund the Budget Division's basic operations, the same level of funding provided in 2005-06.

An appropriation of \$1.5 million is provided to support the Public Authority Budget Office, established by the Governor pursuant to the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005. This Office will be coordinated with current Division oversight and reporting responsibilities to assure that public authorities adhere to the highest standards of appropriate governance, accountability and financial management. Within the amount made available, funding will be provided to improve the electronic reporting capabilities of public authorities in order to facilitate access to information on the activities and financial practices of public authorities by the public and the Public Authority Budget Office.

A \$110 million appropriation is also included to support a new statewide Financial Management System. Currently, State agencies operate individual financial management systems. These discrete systems will be replaced with a single Financial Management System (FMS21), which will interface with the new Central Accounting System being developed by the Office of the State Comptroller. FMS21 will standardize day-to-day business operations, resulting in greater efficiency while relieving agencies of the burden of maintaining redundant systems. The first group of agencies will connect to FMS21 during the spring of 2008.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The Division's activities include:

- Establishing budget policy and agency direction;
- Providing fiscal policy advice in revenue and expenditure forecasting, budget process management and intergovernmental relations; and
- Coordinating the development and execution of State agency programs and budgets.

BUDGET

ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Category	Available 2005-06	Appropriations Recommended 2006-07	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 2006-07
State Operations	60,824,000	172,324,000	111,500,000	0
Aid To Localities	0	0	0	0
Capital Projects	0	0	0	0
Total	60,824,000	172,324,000	111,500,000	0

ALL FUND TYPES PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

Full-Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)

Program	2005-06 Estimated FTEs 03/31/06	2006-07 Estimated FTEs 03/31/07	FTE Change
Budget Division			
General Fund	297	297	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	68	33	(35)
Financial Management System			
Internal Service Funds	0	25	25
Public Authority Budget Office Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	0	10	10
Total	365	365	0

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2005-06	Recommended 2006-07	Change
Budget Division			
General Fund	27,970,000	29,470,000	1,500,000
Special Revenue Funds - Other	19,704,000	23,704,000	4,000,000
Internal Service Funds	1,650,000	1,650,000	0
Cash Management Improvement Act			
General Fund	5,500,000	4,000,000	(1,500,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	6,000,000	2,000,000	(4,000,000)
Financial Management System			
Internal Service Funds	0	110,000,000	110,000,000
Public Authority Budget Office Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	0	1,500,000	1,500,000
Total	60,824,000	172,324,000	111,500,000