

Senate Subcommittee Report

Agency: Governmental Ethics Commission

Bill No. SB 155

Bill Sec. 20

Analyst: Light

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Expenditure Summary	Agency Request FY 2025	Governor Recommendation FY 2025	Senate Subcommittee Adjustments
Operating Expenditures:			
State General Fund	\$ 530,954	\$ 530,954	\$ 0
Federal Funds	0	0	0
Other Funds	282,656	282,656	0
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>\$ 813,610</u>	<u>\$ 813,610</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Capital Improvements:			
State General Fund	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Federal Funds	0	0	0
Other Funds	0	0	0
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 813,610</u>	<u>\$ 813,610</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
FTE positions	8.5	8.5	8.5

Agency Request

The **agency** requests \$813,610, including \$530,954 SGF, for FY 2024. This is an increase in all funding sources of \$5,374, or 0.7 percent, above the FY 2024 request. The request is an SGF decrease of \$333, or less than 0.1 percent, below the FY 2024 request.

Significant items in the agency request include the following:

- **ENHANCEMENT - MAINTAIN SALARY INCREASES.** The agency requests \$38,565, all SGF, to maintain salary increases from FY 2024 for multiple positions after a salary study was conducted by a compensation study subcommittee of the Commission. This is a decrease of \$333, or 0.1 percent, below the agency's request for FY 2024.
- **DECREASE IN EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION EXPENDITURES.** The agency's enhancement request is offset by a decrease in employer contributions for fringe benefits, mostly for Medicare and KPERS, which results in a net decrease of \$110 in salaries and wages below the FY 2024 request.
- **INCREASE IN CONTRACTUAL SERVICES.** The agency's FY 2025 request includes an increase of \$5,817, or 4.5 percent, above the FY 2024 request in contractual services. This is attributable to increased postage expenditures for an election year and increased building rest, partially offset by decreased printing

expenditures.

The **agency** requests 8.5 FTE positions for FY 2025, which is the same number requested for FY 2024.

Governor's Recommendation

The **Governor** concurs with the agency's request for FY 2025.

Senate Committee on Transparency and Ethics Recommendation

The **Committee** concurs with the Governor's recommendation for FY 2025.

Senate Committee Recommendation

The **Committee** concurs with the Transparency and Ethics Committee's recommendation for FY 2025 with the following adjustment:

1. Delete \$38,565 SGF for the agency's salary adjustment plan for FY 2025 and review at Omnibus.

Senate Committee of the Whole Recommendation (Sub. for SB 155)

The **Committee of the Whole** concurs with the Committee's recommendation for FY 2025.

House Budget Committee Report

Agency: Governmental Ethics Commission

Bill No. HB 2273

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Expenditure Summary	Agency Request FY 2025	Governor Recommendation FY 2025	House Budget Committee Adjustments
Operating Expenditures:			
State General Fund	\$ 530,954	\$ 530,954	\$ (38,565)
Federal Funds	0	0	0
Other Funds	282,656	282,656	0
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>\$ 813,610</u>	<u>\$ 813,610</u>	<u>\$ (38,565)</u>
Capital Improvements:			
State General Fund	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Federal Funds	0	0	0
Other Funds	0	0	0
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 813,610</u>	<u>\$ 813,610</u>	<u>\$ (38,565)</u>
FTE positions	8.5	8.5	0.0

Agency Request

The **agency** requests \$813,610, including \$530,954 SGF, for FY 2025. This is an increase in all funding sources of \$5,374, or 0.7 percent, above the FY 2024 request. The request is an SGF decrease of \$333, or less than 0.1 percent, below the FY 2024 request.

Significant items in the agency request include the following:

- **ENHANCEMENT - SALARY INCREASES.** The agency requests \$38,565, all SGF, to provide salary increases for multiple positions after a salary study was conducted by a compensation study subcommittee of the Commission.
- **DECREASE IN EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION EXPENDITURES.** The agency's enhancement request is offset by a decrease in employer contributions for fringe benefits, mostly for Medicare (\$27,434) and KPERs (\$5,035), which results in a net decrease of \$443 in salaries and wages below the FY 2024 request.
- **INCREASE IN CONTRACTUAL SERVICES.** The agency's FY 2025 request includes an increase of \$5,817, or 4.5 percent, above the FY 2024 request in contractual services. This is attributable to increased postage expenditures for an election year and increased building rest, partially offset by decreased printing expenditures.

The **agency** requests 8.5 FTE positions for FY 2025, which is the same number requested for FY 2024.

Governor's Recommendation

The **Governor** concurs with the agency's request for FY 2025.

House Budget Committee Recommendation

The **Budget Committee** concurs with the Governor's recommendation for FY 2025 with two adjustments:

1. Delete \$38,565 SGF for the agency's salary increases enhancement request for FY 2025, pending review by the House Appropriations committee during the global discussion on salary increases.
2. Add language that directs the money received by the agency from civil fines be placed into SGF rather than the agency's fee fund for FY 2025.

House Committee Recommendation

The **Committee** concurs with the Budget Committee's recommendation for FY 2025.

House Committee of the Whole Recommendation (House Sub. for SB 42)

The **Committee of the Whole** concurs with the Committee's recommendation for FY 2025.

Conference Committee Recommendation (HB 2184)

The **Conference Committee** concurs with the Governor's recommendation for FY 2025 with the following adjustments:

1. Delete \$38,565 SGF for the agency's salary increases enhancement request for FY 2025 and review at Omnibus.
2. Add language that directs the money received by the agency from civil fines be placed into SGF rather than the agency's fee fund for FY 2025.

Governor's Veto (HB 2184)

The **Governor** vetos the following:

1. The redirection of civil fines from the Governmental Ethics Fee Fund to SGF for FY 2025. This language was included as a part of House Sub. for SB 208, which was signed into law on April 14, 2023.

Omnibus Action (SB 25)

1. Add \$13,000 SGF to implement House Sub. for SB 208 for FY 2025, which requires that the agency maintain a separate attorney during the Commission's meetings and allows for removal of hearings from the agency to the Office of Administrative Hearings upon the request of a respondent.

	Governor's Recommendation FY 2025	Legislative Action Mega Bill	Legislative Approved FY 2025	Legislative Action Omnibus Bill	Final Legislative Approved FY 2025
All Funds					
State Operations	\$ 813,610	\$ (38,565)	\$ 775,045	\$ 13,000	\$ 788,045
Aid to Local Units	0	0	0	0	0
Other Assistance	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Subtotal - Operations</i>	<i>\$ 813,610</i>	<i>\$ (38,565)</i>	<i>\$ 775,045</i>	<i>\$ 13,000</i>	<i>\$ 788,045</i>
Capital Improvements	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	\$ 813,610	\$ (38,565)	\$ 775,045	\$ 13,000	\$ 788,045

State General Fund

State Operations	\$ 530,945	\$ (38,565)	\$ 492,380	\$ 13,000	\$ 505,380
Aid to Local Units	0	0	0	0	0
Other Assistance	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Subtotal - Operating</i>	<i>\$ 530,945</i>	<i>\$ (38,565)</i>	<i>\$ 492,380</i>	<i>\$ 13,000</i>	<i>\$ 505,380</i>
Capital Improvements	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	\$ 530,945	\$ (38,565)	\$ 492,380	\$ 13,000	\$ 505,380

FTE Positions	8.5	0.0	8.5	0.0	8.5
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