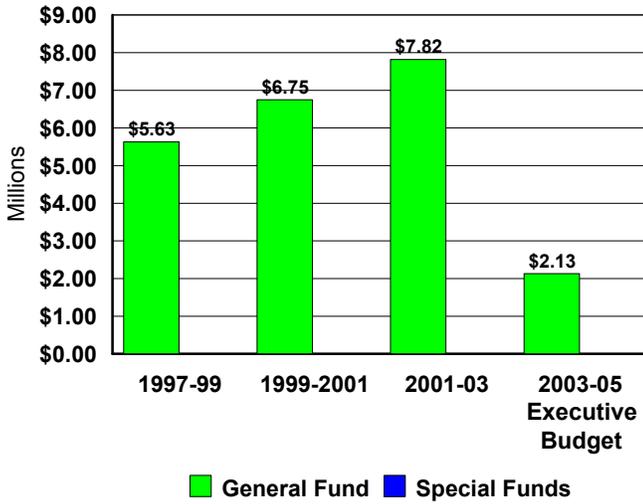


**Department 324 - Children's Services Coordinating Committee  
 House Bill No. 1014**

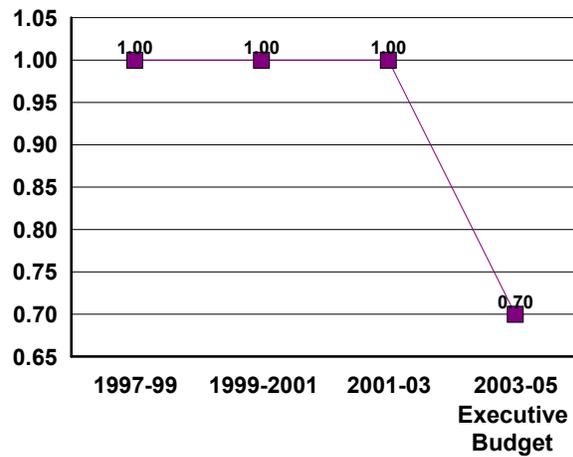
	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
2003-05 Executive Budget	0.70	\$0	\$2,127,094	\$2,127,094
2001-03 Legislative Appropriations	1.00	0	7,823,126	7,823,126 <sup>1</sup>
Increase (Decrease)	(0.30)	\$0	(\$5,696,032)	(\$5,696,032)

<sup>1</sup> The 2001-03 appropriation amounts include \$1,315 of other funds for the agency's share of the \$5 million funding pool appropriated to the Office of Management and Budget for special market equity adjustments for classified employees.

**Agency Funding**



**FTE Positions**



**First House Action**

Attached is a summary of the first house changes.

**Executive Budget Highlights  
 (With First House Changes Noted)**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
1. Reflects the reduction in federal funding projected to be available from "refinancing" activities due to a federal policy change relating to the allowable uses of federal IV-E foster care funds. The change only allows federal IV-E foster care funding to be claimed if the child being served is in foster care or a "candidate" for foster care. Previously, these funds could be claimed for a child in foster care or who was "at risk" of being placed in foster care. The 2001-03 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$8,333,333 of "refinancing" funds. The 2003-05 executive budget includes \$2,363,163. The House increased the 2003-05 estimate of "refinancing" funds by \$430,837 to \$2,794,000.		(\$5,970,170)	(\$5,970,170)
2. Due to the reduction in funding projected to be available from "refinancing," the executive budget reduces the administrative staff officer position from a 1 FTE to a .70 FTE position. The House added \$5,045 of "refinancing" funds to increase the administrative officer position to a .80 FTE.		(\$20,178)	(\$20,178)
3. Due to the reduction in funding projected to be available from "refinancing," the executive budget eliminates funding for statewide		(\$850,000)	(\$850,000)

grants, which for the 2001-03 biennium were appropriated at \$850,000 and provided for the partnership project at the human service centers (\$600,000), the Native American alcohol and drug abuse education program (\$200,000), and the Sacred Child Project (\$50,000)

4. Due to the reduction in funding projected to be available from "refinancing," the executive budget eliminates funding for regional children's services coordinating committees' grants to providers which for the 2001-03 biennium were appropriated at \$3,341,666 (\$3,341,666) (\$3,341,666)

**"Refinancing"** - "Refinancing" is a system administered through the Department of Human Services which claims federal reimbursement of eligible administrative costs of local schools, juvenile courts, and public health organizations under the federal IV-E foster care and federal Medicaid programs. The local organizations participating in the system complete time studies to document the amount of time spent with children eligible for the federal reimbursement. These time studies are submitted to the regional or tribal children's services coordinating committee, reviewed by the state Children's Services Coordinating Committee, and submitted for federal administrative cost reimbursement by the Department of Human Services. The federal reimbursements are received by the Department of Human Services. The department retains its percentage allocation and transfers the remaining funds to the state Children's Services Coordinating Committee, which retains its percentage and distributes the remaining funds to the children's services coordinating committee of the region or tribe that generated the funds through the time study reports. Each regional or tribal committee distributes the percentage allocation of funds to each of the organizations that generated the federal reimbursements and uses remaining funds for its administrative and operating costs and for other purposes based on the allocations approved by the Legislative Assembly. The percentage allocation of these funds recommended in the 2003-05 executive budget compared to the 2001-03 allocations approved by the 2001 Legislative Assembly are listed below:

	<b>2001-03 Biennium</b>	<b>2003-05 Executive Budget</b>	<b>2003-05 House Version</b>
Department of Human Services	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	1.7%	5.0%	5.0%
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Grants			
Participating entities generating federal funds	20.0%	50.0%	50.0%
Statewide grants	10.2%	0.0%	
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for administrative costs	16.2%	0.0%	
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for collaboration efforts	1.8%	0.0%	
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for administrative costs and collaboration efforts	0.0%	35.0%	35.0%
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for grants to providers	40.1%	0.0%	
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

### Major Related Legislation

Sections 5 and 6 of House Bill No. 1014 remove percentage restrictions on the maximum balances the Children's Services Coordinating Committee and regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees may maintain in their operating funds at the end of each fiscal year. The \$50,000 maximum balance allowed at the end of each fiscal year remains. The House added an emergency clause for Section 6.