

**Ethics Commission
Budget No. 195
Senate Bill No. 2024**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2023-25 legislative appropriation	3.00	\$1,138,242 ¹	\$0	\$1,138,242 ²
2021-23 legislative appropriation	1.00	623,984	0	623,984
2023-25 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2021-23 appropriation	2.00	\$514,258	\$0	\$514,258

¹This amount includes \$98,825 of one-time funding. Excluding this amount, the agency's ongoing general fund appropriation is \$1,039,417.

²This amount does not include any transfers of appropriation authority from the Office of Management and Budget funding pools for targeted market equity adjustments, retirement contribution increases, or new and vacant FTE positions.

Item Description

Full-time equivalent changes - The Legislative Assembly approved 3 FTE positions for the Ethics Commission for the 2023-25 biennium, an increase of 2 FTE positions from the 2021-23 biennium. The Legislative Assembly added 1 FTE education and training position and converted a temporary position to a 1 FTE executive assistant position.

New and vacant FTE funding pool - The Legislative Assembly reduced \$71,907 of 2023-25 biennium general fund appropriation authority for the Ethics Commission for new (\$60,798) and vacant (\$11,109) positions for the new and vacant FTE funding pool.

One-time funding - The Legislative Assembly appropriated the following one-time funding for the 2023-25 biennium:

	General Fund
Professional fees	\$72,000
Office relocation costs	25,000
New position startup costs	1,825
Total	\$98,825

Status/Result

The status of the new FTE positions is shown below:

- The executive assistant position was filled in September 2023.
- The training and education position was filled as a general counsel position in September 2023. In addition to serving as general counsel, the position will also coordinate educational opportunities.

The Ethics Commission has received \$60,798 from the new and vacant FTE funding pool to fill 1 new FTE position. Through January 2024, the Ethics Commission had estimated vacant FTE position savings of \$30,948. The number of vacancies in the office has ranged from two to none with an average monthly vacancy rate of 0.57 FTE positions.

The status of the one-time funding is as follows:

- Professional fees - Through March 2024, a total of \$55,620 of the professional fees funding has been spent.
- Office relocation costs - The entire amount was spent. The Ethics Commission office is now located on the third floor of the judicial wing of the Capitol.
- One-time position startup costs - The funding was utilized when the new position was filled in September 2023.