2025-27 legislative appropriations	FTE Positions 0.00	General Fund \$25,298,682	Other Funds \$0	Total \$25,298,682
2025-27 base budget	0.00	18,011,846	0	18,011,846
Legislative increase (decrease) to base budget	0.00	\$7,286,836	\$0	\$7,286,836

ONGOING AND ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

	Ongoing General Fund Appropriation	One-Time General Fund Appropriation	Total General Fund Appropriation
2025-27 legislative appropriations	\$20,847,682	\$4,451,000	\$25,298,682
2023-25 legislative appropriations ¹	18,011,846	6,129,550	24,141,396
2025-27 legislative increase (decrease) to 2023-25 appropriations	\$2,835,836	(\$1,678,550)	\$1,157,286
Percentage increase (decrease) to 2023-25 appropriations	15.7%	(27.4%)	4.8%

¹The 2023-25 biennium one-time general fund appropriation has been increased by \$425,000 for costs related to the October 2023 special legislative session (House Bill No. 1541 (2023)).

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE BASE BUDGET AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS Changes to Base Budget

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
The legislative action:				
Added funding for cost-to-continue 2021-23 biennium compensation increases		\$89,350		\$89,350
Added funding for 2025-27 biennium legislative compensation adjustments of 3 percent each year of the biennium, for regular and organizational sessions, legislators' monthly compensation, and additional monthly compensation for legislative leaders		539,742		539,742
Added funding for increases of \$5 per day for legislative leaders and standing committee chairmen		21,778		21,778
Increased funding for temporary salaries during the 2027 legislative session		195,272		195,272
Added funding for legislator health insurance premiums to reflect a revised premium estimate of \$1,893 per month		798,961		798,961

Added funding to increase the maximum monthly lodging rate to \$2,475 anticipated for the 2027 legislative session, including an additional \$198,000 due to lodging rate increases approved in Senate Bill No. 2084. The maximum rate was \$2,022 for the 2025 legislative session		310,163		310,163
Added funding for travel for an increase in mileage from \$0.60 to \$0.67 per mile for organizational session and regular session		81,639		81,639
Increased funding for operating expenses related to information technology, including data processing, software, maintenance, consulting, and equipment		556,444		556,444
Adjusted funding for operating expenses, including increases in rental equipment and various other expenses offset by decreases in printing and postage		(10,615)		(10,615)
Increased funding for the International Legislators' Forum dues		10,000		10,000
Added funding for capital assets for information technology related to audio and video storage and video streaming quality		220,000		220,000
Increased funding for National Conference of State Legislatures dues		23,102		23,102
Added one-time funding for legislative chamber and systems upgrades		4,451,000		4,451,000
Total	0.00	\$7,286,836	<u>\$0</u>	\$7,286,836

One-Time Funding

The Legislative Assembly provided one-time funding of \$4,451,000 from the general fund for legislative chamber and systems upgrades.

Legislative Pay Increases

The Legislative Assembly approved Senate Bill No. 2001 providing for legislative pay increases. Section 7 increases legislative leader, assistant legislative leader, and standing committee chairmen pay by \$5 per day during future legislative sessions to provide \$20 per day for legislative leaders and \$15 per day for assistant legislative leaders and standing committee chairmen. Section 8 increases legislators' daily pay during legislative sessions, monthly compensation, and additional monthly compensation for legislative leaders by 3 percent each year of the 2025-27 biennium. Section 9 increases legislators' interim meeting pay by 3 percent each year of the 2025-27 biennium and Legislative Management chairman and interim committee chairmen pay by \$5 per day to provide \$10 per day for each day in attendance at sessions of the Legislative Management. The compensation adjustments are as follows:

	Current Compensation Rate	Rate Effective July 1, 2025	Rate Effective July 1, 2026
Monthly compensation	\$592	\$610	\$628
Leaders' additional monthly compensation	\$424	\$437	\$450
Daily session pay	\$213	\$219	\$226
Speaker of the House, House Majority Leader, Senate Majority Leader, House Minority Leader,	\$15	\$20	\$20
and Senate Minority Leader additional daily session pay			

Chairmen of the substantive standing committees, House Assistant Majority Leader, Senate	\$10	\$15	\$15
Assistant Majority Leader, House Assistant Minority Leader, and Senate Assistant Minority			
Leader additional daily session pay			
Interim meeting pay	\$213	\$219	\$226
Chairman of Legislative Management additional daily pay for interim meetings	\$5	\$10	\$10
Interim committee chairman	\$5	\$10	\$10

Other Sections in Senate Bill No. 2001

Transfers - Section 4 allows transfers of funds between line items of appropriations for the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council as requested by the Chairman of the Legislative Management or the Director of the Legislative Council.

Continuation of appropriation authority - Section 5 allows transfers of funds between line items of the 2023-25 biennium appropriations for the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council as requested by the Chairman of the Legislative Management or the Director of the Legislative Council. The section also provides unspent funds appropriated for the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council for the 2023-25 biennium be continued and that unexpended appropriations enacted prior to the 2023-25 biennium may be canceled as directed by the Chairman of the Legislative Management or the Director of the Legislative Council.

Compensation of members of the Legislative Assembly - Section 7 increases legislative leader, assistant legislative leader, and standing committee chairmen pay by \$5 per day during future legislative sessions to provide \$20 per day for legislative leaders and \$15 per day for assistant legislative leaders and standing committee chairmen. Section 8 increases legislators' daily pay during legislative sessions, monthly compensation, and additional monthly compensation for legislative leaders by 3 percent each year of the 2025-27 biennium. Section 9 increases legislators' interim meeting pay by 3 percent each year of the 2025-27 biennium and Legislative Management chairman and interim committee chairmen pay by \$5 per day to provide \$10 per day for each day in attendance at sessions of the Legislative Management.

Legislative intent - Chamber accessibility - Section 10 provides legislative intent that Legislative Management gather additional information regarding options to improve chamber access.

Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1002 - Secretary of State - This bill provides the statutory changes to transfer the publication of any session laws, compilations, or codifications from the Secretary of State to the Legislative Council and removes funding of \$271,335 from the general fund for public printing from the Secretary of State's budget.

House Bill No. 1442 - Legislative Task Force on Government Efficiency - This bill establishes the Legislative Task Force on Government Efficiency and requires the Legislative Council to provide staffing and administrative services for the task force.

Senate Bill No. 2084 - Lodging rates - This bill increases the in-state lodging and out-of-state mileage rates for all employees to follow established federal General Services Administration rates and increases the Legislative Assembly maximum monthly lodging reimbursement from 70 to 75 percent of the daily General Services Administration rate. The Legislative Council estimated the fiscal impact of the change to the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council would be \$198,000 and \$28,000, respectively.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4005 - House and Senate positions - This bill designates House and Senate employment positions and fixes compensation.