

COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE,
ENVIRONMENT, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

**Senator Brodeur, Chair
Senator Berman, Vice Chair**

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, December 6, 2023
TIME: 4:15—6:00 p.m.
PLACE: *Toni Jennings Committee Room*, 110 Senate Building

MEMBERS: Senator Brodeur, Chair; Senator Berman, Vice Chair; Senators Boyd, Garcia, Grall, Mayfield, Osgood, Polsky, Rodriguez, and Trumbull

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Presentation on Governor's General Government Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Recommendations: Department of Business and Professional Regulation Department of Financial Services Office of Financial Regulation Office of Insurance Regulation Department of Lottery Department of Management Services Division of Administrative Hearings Florida Commission on Human Relations Public Employees Relations Commission Department of Revenue Florida Gaming Control Commission Public Service Commission		Presented
2	Presentation on Governor's Environment Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Recommendations: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Department of Citrus Department of Environmental Protection Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission		Presented
Other Related Meeting Documents			

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FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment,
and General Government

General Government





Governor's Office of Policy and Budget General Government Unit

Department of Business and Professional Regulation

Florida Gaming Control Commission

Department of Lottery

Department of Management Services

Florida Digital Service

Division of Administrative Hearings

Commission on Human Relations

Public Employee Relations Commission

Department of Financial Services

Office of Financial Regulation

Office of Insurance Regulation

Department of Revenue

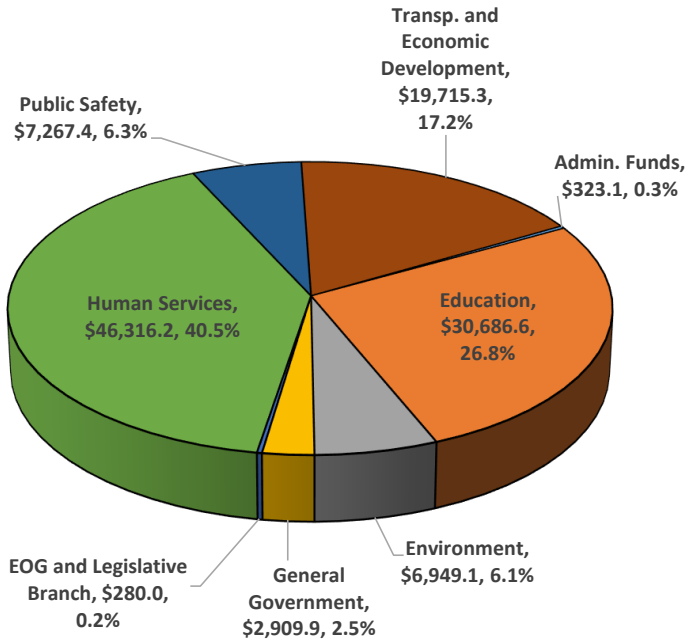


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FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET

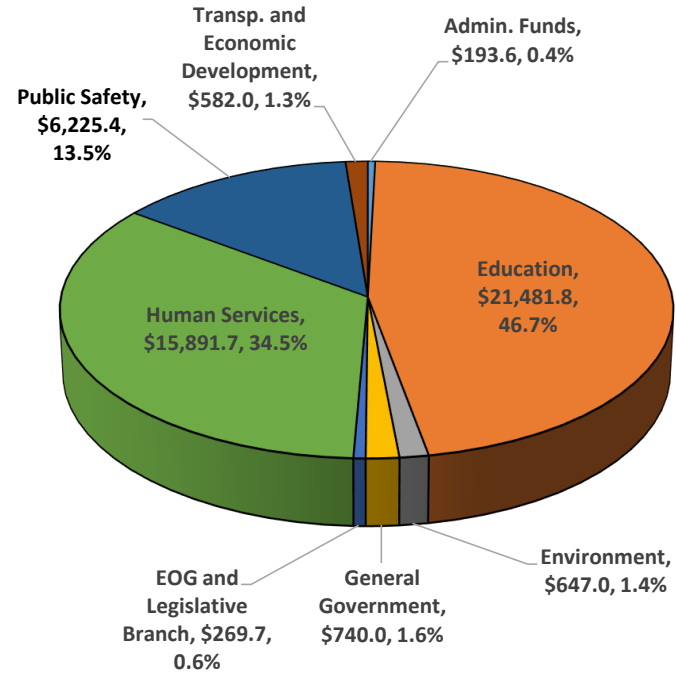
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Fiscal Year 2024-25 Governor Recommended Budget

Total Budget
\$114.4 Billion



Total General Revenue
\$46.0 Billion

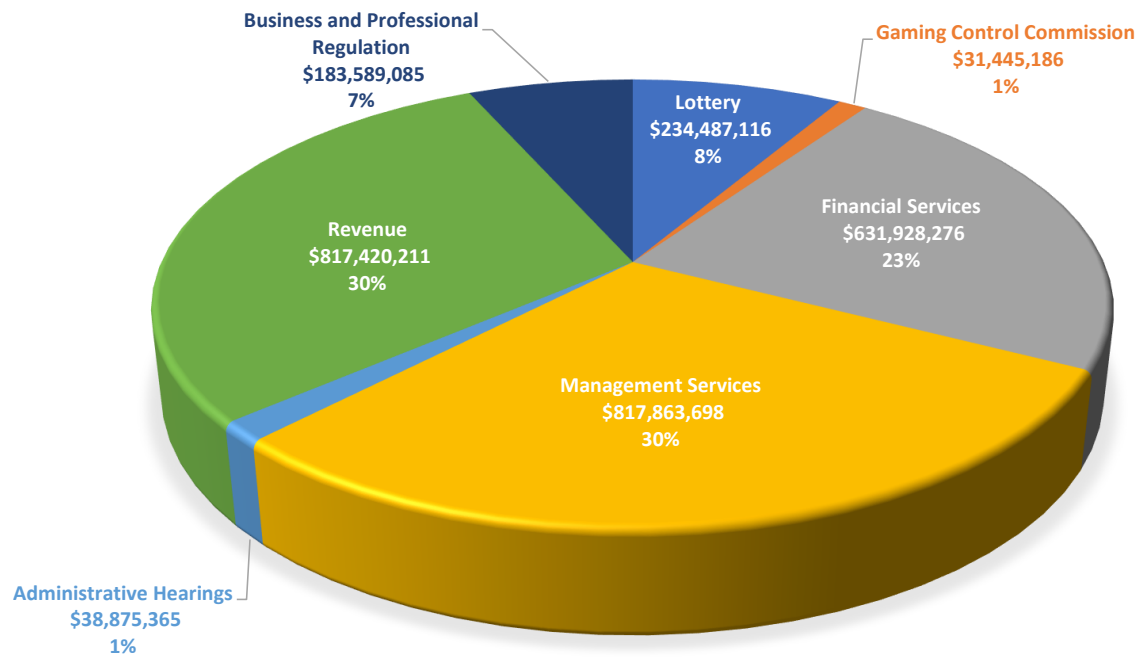


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FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET

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Governor's Recommended Budget Fiscal Year 2024-25

General Government \$2.8 billion



FY 2024-25 Budget – FTE Recommendations

Agency	FY 2023-24 FTE	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Reduction	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Increase	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Net Increase/Decrease	FY 2024-25 FTE Proposed
DBPR	1,570.25	(14.00)	12.00	(2.00)	1,568.25
DOL	424.50	(2.00)	17.50	15.50	440.00
FGCC	188.00	(7.00)	9.00	2.00	190.00
DMS	916.50	(13.00)	10.00	(3.00)	913.50
PERC	30.00	-	-	-	30.00
FCHR	75.00	-	-	-	75.00
DOAH	216.00	(3.00)	27.00	24.00	240.00
DFS	1,949.50	(60.00)	21.00	(39.00)	1,910.50
OIR	310.00	(3.00)	-	(3.00)	307.00
OFR	364.00	(19.00)	4.00	(15.00)	349.00
DOR	5,011.75	(80.50)	3.00	(77.50)	4,934.25
Total Unit Agencies	11,055.50	(201.50)	103.50	(98.00)	10,957.50

The Fiscal Year 2024-25 Governor’s Recommended Budget provides for a net reduction of over 1,000 FTE statewide.



Department of Business and Professional Regulation

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Resources to Improve License Processing Services	\$2.8 million / 8 positions
Cybersecurity & Help Desk Improvements	\$531,087 / 4 positions
Hospitality Education Program	\$311,084
Law Enforcement Recruitment, Training and Equipment	\$195,460



Florida Gaming Control Commission

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Gaming Enforcement Resources & Equipment	\$1.5 million / 9 positions
Information Technology Initiatives	\$1.6 million
<i>Email Archive Migration</i>	<i>\$721,000</i>
<i>Customer Service Ticketing System</i>	<i>\$546,480</i>
<i>Staffing Resources</i>	<i>\$306,960 / 1 position</i>



Department of Lottery

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Resources to Maximize Ticket Sales	\$1.5 million / 8 positions
<i>Sales Representative Performance Reward Plan</i>	\$712,500
<i>Retailer Contract Staff Increase</i>	\$244,687 / 3 positions
<i>Sales Staff Increase</i>	\$579,937 / 5 positions
Additional Technology Resources	\$1.9 million / 7 positions
Systems Replacement & Modernization	\$2.4 million
Operational Cost Increases	\$1.7 million



Department of Management Services

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System	\$10.2 million
Emergency 911 Call Services	\$32 million
Schools and Libraries E-Rate Match Program	\$5 million
Florida Facilities Pool HVAC Control Device Refresh – Year 1	\$2.2 million
Florida Facilities Pool Resources and Operations	\$3 million / 3 positions
Florida Facilities Pool Maintenance and Repair	\$14.2 million



Department of Management Services

Major Issues Funded	Amount
State Personnel System Initiatives	\$13 million / 1 position
People First Future Generation Solution	\$19.4 million
Florida Retirement System – Enhanced Support, Functionality, and Security	\$1.7 million
Resources to Support Health Insurance Administration	\$1.6 million



Department of Management Services - Florida Digital Service

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Continue and Expand Cybersecurity Resiliency	\$40 million
IT Strategic Plan Advisory Services	\$1.5 million
IT Service Management and Governance Solution	\$2 million
Data Governance, Management and Interoperability	\$1.7 million



Division of Administrative Hearings

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Resources to Support Citizens Property Insurance Caseload	\$4.8 million / 27 positions
<i>Administrative Law Judges (18 positions)</i>	<i>\$4.2 million</i>
<i>Judicial Assistants (6 positions)</i>	<i>\$428,509</i>
<i>Finance & Technology Staff (3 positions)</i>	<i>\$225,878</i>
New Headquarters Rent	\$180,990



Public Employee Relations Commission

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Pay Increases to Support Recruitment and Retention	\$1.3 million
Outside Legal Counsel	\$500,000

Department of Financial Services

Major Issues Funded	Amount
My Safe Florida Home Grant Program	\$107 million / 3 positions
Information Technology Initiatives	\$10.4 million
Planning, Accounting, and Ledger Management (PALM) Project	\$50 million
Anti-Fraud Initiatives	\$1.4 million
Investigative Response Equipment and Training	\$1.9 million
State Fire College and Arson Lab Renovations and Repairs	\$9 million



Office of Insurance Regulation

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Information Technology Enhancements	\$1.1 million
Reinsurance Advisory Services	\$475,000
Homeowners' Insurance Premium Mitigation Research	\$200,000



Department of Revenue

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Distribution to Fiscally Constrained Counties	\$72 million
Aerial Photography for Fiscally Constrained Counties	\$922,812
Information Technology Initiatives	\$62 million / 3 positions
Operational Costs	\$2.6 million

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General Government Unit

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Governor's General Government Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Recommendations

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Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment and General Government

Bill Number or Topic

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Governor's Office of Policy and Budget Environment Unit

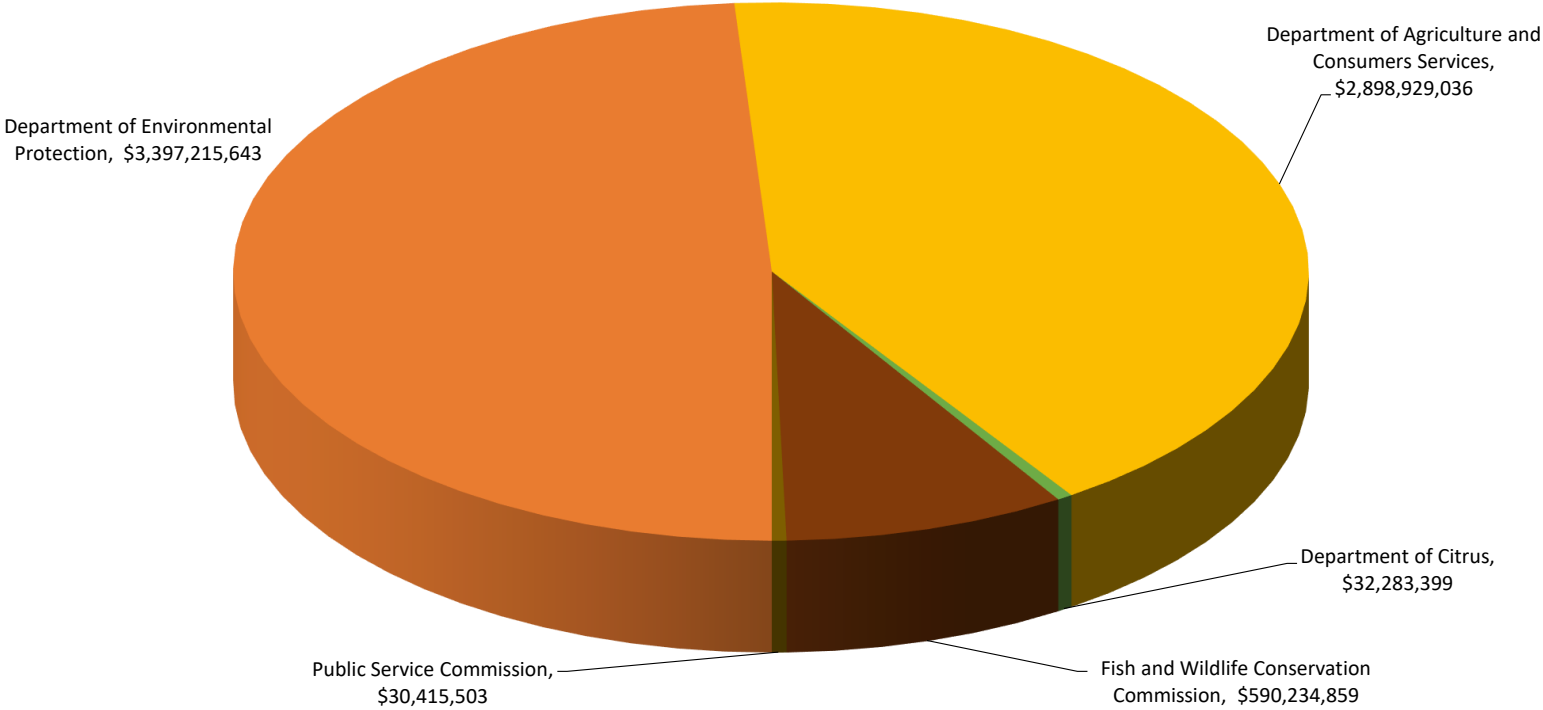
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Department of Citrus
Department of Environmental Protection
Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
Public Service Commission



 **GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS**
FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET

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Focus on Florida's Future Budget Fiscal Year 2024-25
Environment over \$6.9 Billion



FY 2024-25 Budget – FTE Recommendations

Agency	FY 2023-24 FTE	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Reduction	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Increase	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Net Increase/Decrease	FY 2024-25 FTE Proposed
DEP	3,117.5	(20)	74	54	3,171.5
DACS	3,710	(54)	39	(15)	3,695
FWC	2,177.5	(12)	44	32	2,209.5
Citrus	28	0	0	0	28
PSC	272	(12)	0	(12)	260
Total Unit Agencies	9,305	(98)	157	59	9,364

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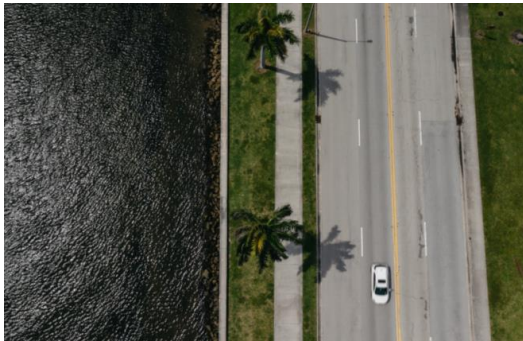


\$1.3 Billion for Protection of Florida's Water Resources

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Everglades Restoration	\$745 million
Targeted Water Quality Improvements	\$330 million
Springs Restoration	\$50 million
Alternative Water Supply Grant Program	\$80 million
Water Quality Enhancement & Accountability	\$10.8 million
Innovative Solutions to Algae	\$10 million
Harmful Algal Blooms and Red Tide Management	\$30 million
FWC Center for Red Tide Research	\$4.7 million
Total Proposed for Everglades & Water Resources	\$1.3 billion



Enhancing Florida's Resilience & Coastal Protection



Major Issues Funded	Amount
Resilience & Coral Protection	\$157 million
Beach Nourishment	\$50 million



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Conserving Florida's Prized Properties



Major Issues Funded	Amount
Florida Forever Program	\$125 million
State Park Infrastructure	\$50 million



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Investing in Clean Land and Air

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Petroleum Tanks Cleanup	\$200 million
Dry Cleaning Solvent Contaminated Site Cleanup	\$7 million
Hazardous Waste Contaminated Site Cleanup	\$4 million



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Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

- **\$28.9 million** for Law Enforcement Operations
 - \$4.7 million for 12 Law Enforcement Officers
 - \$14.4 million for Patrol Vehicles and Vessels
 - \$8 million for Aviation Support
 - \$1.8 million for Law Enforcement Equipment
- **\$7 million** for Boating Improvements
- **\$8.4 million** for Wildlife Corridor Management



Additional Environment Issues

- **\$122.3 million** for Forestry Management
 - \$100 million recurring for Rural and Family Lands
 - \$4 million for Reforestation
 - \$12.4 million for Replacement of Wildfire Suppression Equipment
 - \$5.9 million for Wildfire Protection and Management Operations
- **\$20.8 million** for Citrus Industry
 - \$8 million for Citrus Research
 - \$7.8 million for Citrus Health Response Program
 - \$5 million for Consumer Awareness

Office of Policy and Budget

Kim Cramer

Environment Policy Coordinator

Secretary Shawn Hamilton

Department of Environmental Protection



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CourtSmart Tag Report

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Started: 12/6/2023 4:13:29 PM

Ends: 12/6/2023 5:06:57 PM

Length: 00:53:29

4:15:12 PM Sen. Brodeur (Chair)
4:16:25 PM Tab 1, Presentation on Governor's General Government Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget
Recommendations: Department of Business and Professional Regulation
4:16:42 PM Lori Grasel, Policy Coordinator of General Government
4:19:22 PM Melanie Griffin, Secretary, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
4:26:47 PM Sen. Berman
4:27:17 PM M. Griffin
4:27:44 PM Sen. Brodeur
4:28:07 PM Louis Trombetta - Executive Director, Florida Gaming Control Commission
4:31:06 PM John Davis - Secretary, Department of Lottery
4:37:36 PM Katie Parrish - Deputy Secretary, Department of Management Services
4:45:45 PM Sen. Brodeur
4:45:55 PM L. Grasel
4:51:55 PM Tab 2, Presentation on Governor's Environment Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Recommendations:
Department of Agriculture and Consumer
4:52:08 PM Sen. Brodeur
4:52:35 PM Kim Cramer, Policy Coordinator of the Environment Unit
4:55:14 PM Shawn Hamilton - Secretary, Department of Environmental Policy
5:01:32 PM Sen. Polsky
5:01:53 PM S. Hamilton
5:02:35 PM K. Cramer
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