

**Legislative Assembly  
Budget No. 150  
Senate Bill No. 2001**

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2021-23 legislative appropriations</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>\$19,692,464</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$19,692,464</b>
2021-23 base budget	0.00	15,307,755	0	15,307,755
Legislative increase (decrease) to base budget	0.00	\$4,384,709	\$0	\$4,384,709

**ONGOING AND ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS**

	<b>Ongoing General Fund Appropriation</b>	<b>One-Time General Fund Appropriation</b>	<b>Total General Fund Appropriation</b>
<b>2021-23 legislative appropriations</b>	<b>\$17,926,180</b>	<b>\$1,766,284</b>	<b>\$19,692,464</b>
2019-21 legislative appropriations	15,307,755	517,760	15,825,515
2021-23 legislative increase (decrease) to 2019-21 appropriations	\$2,618,425	\$1,248,524	\$3,866,949
Percentage increase (decrease) to 2019-21 appropriations	17.1%	241.1%	24.4%

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

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
The legislative action:				
Added funding for cost-to-continue 2019-21 biennium compensation increases		\$24,260		\$24,260
Added funding for 2021-23 biennium legislative compensation adjustments of 1.5 percent on July 1, 2021, and 2 percent on July 1, 2022, for regular and organizational sessions, legislators' monthly compensation, and additional monthly compensation for legislative leaders		173,722		173,722
Increased funding for temporary salaries during the 2023 legislative session		34,885		34,885
Added funding for legislator health insurance premiums to reflect a revised premium estimate of \$1,428.77 per month		6,383		6,383

Added funding to increase the maximum monthly lodging expense reimbursement to \$1,833 anticipated for the 2023 legislative session. The maximum monthly lodging reimbursement was \$1,814 for the 2021 session.	19,830	19,830
Increased funding for operating expenses, including increases related to video streaming, archiving, indexing, and closed captioning for committee rooms and for adjustments related to the annual cost for voting system upgrades and the addition of virtual voting	935,912	935,912
Increased funding for information technology expansion	1,400,000	1,400,000
Added funding for Microsoft Office 365 licensing expenses	15,533	15,533
Increased funding for National Conference of State Legislatures dues to provide a total of \$271,333	7,900	7,900
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for redistricting special legislative session	316,284	316,284
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for information technology expansion	1,450,000	1,450,000
<b>Total</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$4,384,709</u>

#### One-Time Funding

In Section 2 of Senate Bill No. 2001, the Legislative Assembly identified a total of \$1,766,284 from the general fund for one-time funding items. Of this funding, \$316,284 is for a redistricting special session and \$1,450,000 is for information technology expansion. These amounts are not to be considered part of the Legislative Assembly's 2023-25 biennium base budget, and the Legislative Assembly is to report to the Appropriations Committees during the 2023 legislative session on the use of this funding.

#### Legislative Pay Increases

The Legislative Assembly approved Senate Bill No. 2001 providing for legislative pay increases. Section 6 increases legislators' daily pay during legislative sessions, monthly compensation, and additional monthly compensation for legislative leaders by 1.5 percent on July 1, 2021, and 2 percent on July 1, 2022. Section 7 of the bill increases legislators' interim meeting pay by 1.5 percent on July 1, 2021, and 2 percent on July 1, 2022. The compensation adjustments are as follows:

	Current Compensation Rate	Rate Effective July 1, 2021	Rate Effective July 1, 2022
Monthly compensation	\$518	\$526	\$537
Leaders' additional monthly compensation	\$371	\$377	\$385
Daily session pay	\$186	\$189	\$193
Interim meeting pay	\$186	\$189	\$193

#### Federal COVID-19 Funding - 2019-21 Biennium

In House Bill No. 1395, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$3.1 million of federal coronavirus relief funds to the Legislative Assembly for the 2019-21 biennium to allow the Legislative Assembly, Legislative Management, and committees to meet remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic, including personal protective equipment for legislators and staff, audio and video conferencing equipment and software, voting boards, and expenditures related to creating larger meeting spaces.

### **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.

**Continuation of appropriation authority** - Section 5 allows transfers of funds between line items of the 2019-21 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. In addition, the section also provides unspent funds appropriated for the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council for the 2019-21 biennium be continued and that unexpended appropriations enacted prior to the 2019-21 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 6 increases legislators' daily pay during legislative sessions, monthly compensation, and additional monthly compensation for legislative leaders by 1.5 percent on July 1, 2021, and 2 percent on July 1, 2022. Section 7 increases legislators' interim meeting pay by 1.5 percent on July 1, 2021, and 2 percent on July 1, 2022.

**Emergency** - Section 8 declares Sections 1 through 5 of the Act an emergency measure.

### **Related Legislation**

**House Bill No. 1395** - Provides an appropriation of \$3.1 million for federal **Coronavirus Relief Fund spending authority** approved for the Legislative Assembly for the 2019-21 biennium by the Emergency Commission and Budget Section.

**House Bill No. 1397** - Provides for the implementation of a **legislative redistricting plan** and a special legislative session to adopt a redistricting plan.

**House Bill No. 1461** - Relates to **filling vacancies in offices of members of the Legislative Assembly**.

**Senate Bill No. 2130** - Provides if the Legislative Management determines a legislative measure mandates health insurance coverage of services or payment for specified providers of services, the measure may not be referred to a committee of the Legislative Assembly unless a **cost-benefit analysis** provided by the Legislative Management is appended to the measure.

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4003** - Establishes positions and sets **compensation for legislative session employees**.