

Senate

Article II, State Constitution

Request	\$58,629,000	
Net change from current biennium	\$6,790,293	Increase
Percent change from current biennium	13.1%	Increase

The purpose of the Senate is to: represent the people of Washington; initiate legislation affecting public policy, act on legislation passed by the House of Representatives or by initiative to the Legislature; pass a biennial budget that pays for the day-to-day operations of state government (including federal funds and dedicated funds); a budget that pays for transportation activities such as designing and maintaining roads and public transit; a budget to acquire and maintain state buildings, public schools, higher education facilities, public lands, parks, and other state assets; provide for the levying and collecting of taxes and other revenue to support state government and to assist local governments; appropriate funds for these purposes; and confirm certain gubernatorial appointments.

Agency Mission

The mission of the Senate is to exercise legislative powers granted by the state constitution; to represent and provide leadership for the people of the state of Washington; to enact laws and oversee their administration; and to provide for the public well-being while protecting and maintaining the rights of the individual.

Agency Level Summary

Operating Budget: Summary

2015-17 Appropriations		Appropriated Funds	Expenditures		
Amount	Estimated Balance		2013-15 Actual	2015-17 Estimated	2017-19 Proposed
49,898,000	214,913	General Fund - Basic Account - State	43,352,286	49,683,087	56,832,000
1,748,000		Motor Vehicle Account - State	1,513,999	1,748,000	1,797,000
<u>51,646,000</u>	<u>214,913</u>	Total Appropriated Funds	44,866,285	51,431,087	58,629,000
		Non-Appropriated Funds			
		Industrial Insurance Premium Refund - Non-Appropriated		50,000	
		Savings Incentive Account - Non-Appropriated		357,620	
		Total Non-Appropriated Funds		<u>407,620</u>	

Operating Budget: Change from Preceding Biennium

	2013-15 Actual		2015-17 Estimated		2017-19 Proposed	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Total	1,011,774	2.3%	6,972,422	15.5%	6,790,293	13.1%

Employment Summary

	2014-15 Actual	2015-16 Estimated	2016-17 Estimated	2017-18 Proposed	2018-19 Proposed
FTE Staff Years	269.8	251.2	259.1	249.9	262.1