THE LEGISLATURE’S STATE BUDGET: INVESTMENTS IN HEALTH

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# State Budget Process Timeline

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*Dates set by legislative leadership for the 2023 session; all other dates specified in statute.
LEGISLATURE’S BUDGET PROPOSAL TOTALS $15.17 BILLION OVER TWO YEARS

HISTORICAL STATE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS AS ENACTED AND THE LEGISLATURE’S SFYS 2024-2025 BUDGET PROPOSAL

- General Funds
- All Other Funds
- Federal Funds

Billions of Dollars (unadjusted for inflation)

State Fiscal Year 2006 to 2025

Legislature’s Proposal

Note: Includes Trailer Bill and Back of Budget adjustments as represented in Surplus Statements, and Back of Budget reductions only for State Fiscal Years 2006 to 2009. Appropriations of surplus from prior budget biennium included in the first year of each new State Budget, not including Rainy Day Fund appropriations.

Sources: New Hampshire Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Surplus Statements, Compare House Finance to Governor, March 28, 2023 and Briefing on Senate Finance Changes to House Passed Budget, June 6, 2023; HB 1, Section 107 as Approved, Sessions 2005 to 2017; HB 9, Session 2017; HB 144, Session 2017; HB 3 as Approved, Session 2019; Governor’s Budget Bill, 2023 Session; HB 2, 2023 as Introduced; 2023-1244h, 2023-1247h, 2023-1359h, 2023-1296h, 2023-2076s, 2023-2092s, 2023-2171b, 2023-2139s, 2025-2054s
SENATE SHIFTED SIGNIFICANT HOUSE-PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS OFF-BUDGET

DETAILED CHANGES IN APPROPRIATION LEVELS BETWEEN HOUSE AND SENATE BUDGETS

State Fiscal Years (SFY) 2024-2025, and SFY 2023 Surplus Appropriations, for Budget Proposals

Biennial Budget Total (Including Surplus Appropriations)

Sources: 2023-1244h; 2023-1247h; 2023-1336h; 2023-1299h; 2023-2054s; 2023-2076s; New Hampshire Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Detail Change, Senate Finance vs. House Passed, June 1, 2023
ABOUT TWO-THIRDS OF PROPOSAL FOR HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES, AND EDUCATION

LEGISLATURE’S STATE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS BY CATEGORY

State Fiscal Years 2024-25 and Surplus Appropriations, Includes Trailer Bill Appropriations

Health and Social Services, $6.58 Billion, 44%

Education, $3.47B, 23%

Justice and Public Protection, $1.72B, 11%

Transportation, $1.54B, 10%

General Government, $0.95B, 6%

Resource Protection and Development, $0.87B, 6%

Note: General Government includes HB 2 appropriations for the Affordable Housing Fund, InvestNH, and all State employee pay raises defined by and funded through appropriations made in House Bill 2, as amended by the House. Sources: New Hampshire Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Compare House Finance to Governor, March 28, 2023, Surplus Statements, April 6 and 7, 2023, Briefing on Senate Finance Changes to House Passed Budget, June 6, 2023; 2023-2092s; 2023-2171s; 2023-2139s
KEY CHANGES THAT SUPPORT HEALTH

• Continuation of Medicaid Expansion, the Granite Advantage program for adults with low incomes, through end of 2030
• Extension of Medicaid coverage to a full year postpartum and additional coverage and assistance for families with infants, and new coverage for certain immigrant women and children
• Appropriation of $134.2 million in Medicaid reimbursement rate increases, which will be matched with federal funds
• Investments in behavioral health of children for residential provider reimbursement rates in system of care for children, totaling an approximately $67 million increase over biennium
• Establishing a System of Care for Healthy Aging, designed to comprehensively address barriers to access and help share service information across providers, including home and community-based services, with $1.7 million appropriation
• Significant increase for developmental services funding
OTHER KEY HEALTH, WELLNESS SUPPORTS

• Increases funding for mental health crisis stabilization services as outlined in 2019 10-year Mental Health Plan by $5.0 million

• Provides $1.0 million to Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation pilot program

• Adds $2.1 million for Recovery Friendly Workplace Program

• Adds $4.0 million in State funds to Family Resource Centers

• Appropriates $450,000 for maternal home visiting programs and $50,000 for family support providers

• Supports Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Farmers’ Market Nutrition Program with $600,000 in State General Funds

• Requires the continued study of benefits cliff effects, including for WIC, Food Stamps, and cash benefits, with $200,000
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- **Webinar:** Examining the State Budget: Reviewing the Senate’s Proposal – June 12, 2023: [https://nhfpi.org/events/reviewing-the-senates-proposal/](https://nhfpi.org/events/reviewing-the-senates-proposal/)


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