

Fiscal 2026						Fiscal 2027					
General Fund	State Special Revenue	Federal Special Revenue	Proprietary	Other	Total	General Fund	State Special Revenue	Federal Special Revenue	Proprietary	Other	Total
D. JUDICIAL BRANCH, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND JUSTICE											
JUDICIAL BRANCH (21100)											
1.	Supreme Court Operations (01)										
	23,454,690	781,200	378,800	0	0	24,614,690	24,028,566	781,200	378,800	0	25,188,566
a.	Legislative Audit (Restricted/Biennial)										
	59,400	0	0	0	0	59,400	0	0	0	0	0
2.	Law Library (03)										
	989,880	0	0	0	0	989,880	989,919	0	0	0	989,919
3.	District Court Operations (04)										
	36,906,832	754,716	0	0	0	37,661,548	37,343,334	754,716	0	0	38,098,050
4.	Water Court (05)										
	1,159,465	1,683,546	0	0	0	2,843,011	1,161,359	1,747,319	0	0	2,908,678
a.	Water Court Digitization (Biennial/OTO)										
	0	400,000	0	0	0	400,000	0	0	0	0	0
5.	Clerk of Court (06)										
	611,550	0	0	0	0	611,550	613,969	0	0	0	613,969
Total											

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1	63,181,817	3,619,462	378,800	0	0	67,180,079	64,137,147	3,283,235	378,800	0	0	67,799,182	
2	On the hiring of two additional judges in Yellowstone County, it is the intent of the Legislature that district court judges in the 13th judicial district develop specialized court dockets.												
3	<b>DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (41100)</b>												
4	1.	Legal Services Division (01)											
5	8,044,497	1,165,506	229,485	0	0	9,439,488	8,043,390	1,165,506	229,485	0	0	9,438,381	
6	a.	Litigation Funding (Restricted/Biennial)											
7	1,000,000	0	0	0	0	1,000,000	1,000,000	0	0	0	0	1,000,000	
8	b.	NRDP New Claims Authority (Restricted/Biennial/OTO)											
9	500,000	0	0	0	0	500,000	500,000	0	0	0	0	500,000	
10	2.	Montana Highway Patrol (03)											
11	744,596	51,836,728	0	0	0	52,581,324	744,596	51,924,874	0	0	0	52,669,470	
12	<u>2,032,394</u>	<u>52,235,378</u>				<u>54,267,772</u>	<u>2,032,394</u>	<u>52,323,524</u>				<u>54,355,918</u>	
13	a.	Statewide Radio Loan Payoff (OTO)											
14	0	6,000,000	0	0	0	6,000,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	
15	3.	Division of Criminal Investigation (05)											
16	11,864,592	5,189,755	1,120,910	0	0	18,175,257	11,917,997	5,194,811	1,120,910	0	0	18,233,718	
17	a.	Funding Missing Indigenous Persons Task Force (OTO)											
18	0	20,000	0	0	0	20,000	0	20,000	0	0	0	20,000	

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1	4.	Gambling Control Division (07)											
2		0	2,945,412	0	1,513,970	0	4,459,382	0	2,952,850	0	1,513,970	0	4,466,820
3	5.	Forensic Science Division (08)											
4		6,676,233	1,889,775	0	0	0	8,566,008	6,696,056	1,889,775	0	0	0	8,585,831
5	a.	Provide Authority to Hire a Medical Examiner (Restricted/Biennial)											
6		120,000	0	0	0	0	120,000	120,000	0	0	0	0	120,000
7	6.	Motor Vehicle Division (09)											
8		5,882,243	19,331,191	0	554,208	0	25,767,642	5,895,425	19,335,729	0	554,208	0	25,785,362
9	7.	Central Services Division (10)											
10		9,424,776	7,019,824	3,664	64,719	0	16,512,983	9,399,194	7,019,824	3,664	64,719	0	16,487,401
11	a.	Legislative Audit (Restricted/Biennial)											
12		98,406	0	0	0	0	98,406	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	8.	Post Council (19)											
14		0	622,897	0	0	0	622,897	0	622,897	0	0	0	622,897
15	9.	Montana Law Enforcement Academy (20)											
16		150,000	2,353,245	0	0	0	2,503,245	150,000	2,354,421	0	0	0	2,504,421
17	10.	Board of Crime Control (21)											
18		2,110,239	2,653,960	14,208,541	0	0	18,972,740	2,107,253	2,653,960	14,208,541	0	0	18,969,754

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Total											
46,615,582	101,028,293	15,562,600	2,132,897	0	165,339,372	46,573,911	95,134,647	15,562,600	2,132,897	0	159,404,055
47,903,380	101,426,943				167,025,820	47,861,709	95,533,297				161,090,503
If HB 85 is not passed and approved, the Montana Highway Patrol is increased by \$2,000,000 general fund in FY 2026 and \$2,000,000 general fund in FY 2027.											
If SB 324 is not passed and approved, the Montana Highway Patrol is decreased by <del>\$3,298,615</del> <del>\$2,899,965</del> state special revenue in FY 2026 and FY 2027 and is increased by <del>\$2,698,615</del> <del>\$2,299,965</del> general fund in FY 2026 and FY 2027. Additionally, if SB 324 is not passed and approved, the Montana Board of Crime Control is decreased by \$2,000,000 state special revenue in FY 2026 and FY 2027 and is increased by \$2,000,000 general fund in FY 2026 and FY 2027.											
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION (42010)											
1. Public Service Regulation Program (01)											
0	5,636,443	273,760	0	0	5,910,203	0	5,629,221	273,760	0	0	5,902,981
	5,840,443				6,114,203		5,833,221				6,106,981
a. IRP Contract (OTO)											
0	200,000	0	0	0	200,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
b. Legislative Audit (Restricted/Biennial)											
0	44,550	0	0	0	44,550	0	0	0	0	0	0
c. Caseload Contingency (Restricted/Biennial/OTO)											
	500,000						500,000				

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1	Total												
2	0	5,880,993	273,760	0	0	6,154,753	0	5,629,221	273,760	0	0	5,902,981	
3		6,084,993				6,358,753		5,833,221				6,106,981	
4	<u>The state special revenue appropriations in FY 2026 and FY 2027 for Caseload Contingency (Restricted/Biennial/OTO) are provided for necessary legal services relating to the commission's work and procedures.</u>												
5	<u>REQUESTED BY: Senator Tom McGillvray      PREPARED BY: Walker Hopkins</u>												
6	<u>Explanation: This amendment adds \$500,000 in restricted, biennial, and one-time-only state special revenue authority in FY 2026 and FY 2027 to the Public Service Commission. Funding is provided to cover costs of</u>												
7	<u>legal services and is restricted to its specific purpose.</u>												
8	<b>OFFICE OF STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER (61080)</b>												
9	1.	Public Defender Division (01)											
10		26,998,354	0	0	0	0	26,998,354	27,152,519	0	0	0	0	27,152,519
11	2.	Appellate Defender Division (02)											
12		2,356,785	0	0	0	0	2,356,785	2,376,179	0	0	0	0	2,376,179
13	3.	Conflict Defender Division (03)											
14		3,855,478	0	0	0	0	3,855,478	3,869,997	0	0	0	0	3,869,997
15	4.	Central Services Division (04)											
16		18,367,574	0	0	0	0	18,367,574	18,685,197	0	0	0	0	18,685,197
17	a.	Sustain Effective Public Defender Support - Agency Training Events (OTO)											
18		150,000	0	0	0	0	150,000	150,000	0	0	0	0	150,000

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1	b.	Sustain Effective Public Defender Support - Client Communication/Access Tech (OTO)										
2	75,000	0	0	0	0	75,000	75,000	0	0	0	0	75,000
3	c.	Close Public Defender Shortfall (Restricted)										
4	508,319	0	0	0	0	508,319	1,024,214	0	0	0	0	1,024,214
5	d.	Sustain Existing Public Defender Services - Contracted Public Defender Rates (Restricted)										
6	3,177,586	0	0	0	0	3,177,586	3,177,586	0	0	0	0	3,177,586
7	e.	Sustain Effective Public Defender Support - AI/Data/Tech (Restricted/OTO)										
8	200,000	0	0	0	0	200,000	200,000	0	0	0	0	200,000
9	f.	Sustain Effective Public Defender Support - AI/Tech License (Restricted/OTO)										
10	500,000	0	0	0	0	500,000	500,000	0	0	0	0	500,000
11	g.	Sustain Effective Public Defender Support - Computer Purchase (Restricted/OTO)										
12	171,600	0	0	0	0	171,600	31,200	0	0	0	0	31,200
13	h.	Sustain Existing Public Defender Services - Contract Services Overage (Restricted/OTO)										
14	3,275,000	0	0	0	0	3,275,000	3,275,000	0	0	0	0	3,275,000
15												
16	Total											
17	59,635,696	0	0	0	0	59,635,696	60,516,892	0	0	0	0	60,516,892
18	All appropriations in the Office of State Public Defender are biennial.											

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<p>1 It is the intent of the Legislature that all management personnel who are members of the Montana Bar, except for the director, division administrators, and regional public defenders, perform at least 25% of the</p> <p>2 average caseload of line attorneys.</p> <p>3 <b>DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (64010)</b></p> <p>4 1. Director's Office and Central Services Division (01)</p> <p>5 22,472,449 471,253 0 133,046 0 23,076,748 22,481,288 472,100 0 131,060 0 23,084,448</p> <p>6 2. Public Safety Division (02)</p> <p>7 155,525,424 1,868,963 0 0 0 157,394,387 156,048,032 1,868,963 0 0 0 157,916,995</p> <p>8 a. Assistance for Youth Population (Restricted)</p> <p>9 77,500 0 0 0 0 77,500 77,500 0 0 0 0 77,500</p> <p>10 b. Increase County Jail Hold (Restricted)</p> <p>11 3,082,644 0 0 0 0 3,082,644 3,144,297 0 0 0 0 3,144,297</p> <p>12 c. Increase for Prevailing Wages at Crossroads (Restricted)</p> <p>13 528,485 0 0 0 0 528,485 1,056,970 0 0 0 0 1,056,970</p> <p>14 d. K-9 Program (Restricted)</p> <p>15 478,801 0 0 0 0 478,801 447,800 0 0 0 0 447,800</p> <p>16 e. Leased Vehicle Funding - Existing (Restricted)</p> <p>17 82,325 0 0 0 0 82,325 82,325 0 0 0 0 82,325</p> <p>18 f. Leased Vehicle Funding - New (Restricted)</p>											

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1	101,838	0	0	0	0	101,838	101,838	0	0	0	0	101,838	
2	g.	Public Safety Security Equipment and Licenses (Restricted)											
3	1,650,000	0	0	0	0	1,650,000	800,000	0	0	0	0	800,000	
4	h.	Secure Facility Equipment (Restricted)											
5	461,000	0	0	0	0	461,000	461,000	0	0	0	0	461,000	
6	i.	Secure Facility Rate Increases (Restricted)											
7	920,647	0	0	0	0	920,647	1,860,373	0	0	0	0	1,860,373	
8	j.	Vehicle Replacement (Restricted)											
9	334,000	0	0	0	0	334,000	334,000	0	0	0	0	334,000	
10	3.	Rehabilitation and Programs Division (03)											
11	118,915,832	4,760,709	0	0	0	123,676,541	119,850,027	4,760,863	0	0	0	124,610,890	
12	a.	2.0% Rate Adjustment for Prerelease Centers (OTO)											
13	608,043	0	0	0	0	608,043	1,238,557	0	0	0	0	1,238,557	
14	b.	Parenting Program (Restricted)											
15	120,000	0	0	0	0	120,000	120,000	0	0	0	0	120,000	
16	c.	Respond to Increased Medical/Pharmacy Needs (Restricted)											
17	432,282	0	0	0	0	432,282	417,282	0	0	0	0	417,282	
18	4.	Board of Pardons and Parole (04)											



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1	1,358,296	0	0	0	0	1,358,296	1,361,610	0	0	0	0	1,361,610
2	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3	Total											
4	307,149,566	7,100,925	0	133,046	0	314,383,537	309,882,899	7,101,926	0	131,060	0	317,115,885
5	All appropriations for the Director's Office/Central Services Division, Public Safety Division, and Rehabilitation and Programs Division are biennial.											
6	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7	TOTAL SECTION D											
8	<del>476,582,664</del>	<del>417,629,673</del>	16,215,160	2,265,943	0	<del>612,693,437</del>	<del>481,110,849</del>	<del>411,149,029</del>	16,215,160	2,263,957	0	<del>610,738,995</del>
9	<u>477,870,459</u>	<u>118,232,323</u>				<u>614,583,885</u>	<u>482,398,647</u>	<u>111,751,679</u>				<u>612,629,443</u>