



STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office of Governor Tim Pawlenty

130 State Capitol ♦ 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard ♦ Saint Paul, MN 55155

January 25, 2005

The 2005 Minnesota Legislature:

Enclosed is the FY 2006-07 Budget for the Office of Governor Tim Pawlenty, totaling \$6.993 million in General Funds and \$522,000 in Special Revenue Funds. The general fund amount reflects a reduction of \$179,000, or 2.5%, compared to the last biennium. The special revenue funds are collected from eleven state agencies that wish to maintain the Washington, D.C., office of Federal Affairs.

Funding for the FY 2006-07 biennium will be used to provide support for Governor Pawlenty and provide information to the public and the Legislature. Along with his official duties, this includes support for his efforts to maintain a balanced budget, pursue a public policy agenda directed at education, jobs, health care, public safety, and transportation, and persistent communication with the people of Minnesota.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (651) 296-0059.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dan McElroy".

Dan McElroy
Chief of Staff

Dollars in Thousands

	Current		Governor Recomm.		Biennium
	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	2006-07
<u>Direct Appropriations by Fund</u>					
General					
Current Appropriation	3,586	3,586	3,586	3,586	7,172
Recommended	3,586	3,586	3,497	3,496	6,993
Change		0	(89)	(90)	(179)
% Biennial Change from 2004-05					-2.5%
<u>Expenditures by Fund</u>					
Direct Appropriations					
General	3,409	3,860	3,497	3,496	6,993
Statutory Appropriations					
Special Revenue	204	316	261	261	522
Total	3,613	4,176	3,758	3,757	7,515
<u>Expenditures by Category</u>					
Total Compensation	2,908	3,273	2,956	2,956	5,912
Other Operating Expenses	705	903	802	801	1,603
Total	3,613	4,176	3,758	3,757	7,515
<u>Expenditures by Program</u>					
Governors Office	3,613	4,176	3,758	3,757	7,515
Total	3,613	4,176	3,758	3,757	7,515
Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	40.1	41.9	40.2	40.2	

Dollars in Thousands

	FY2005	Governor's Recomm.		Biennium 2006-07
		FY2006	FY2007	
<i>Fund: GENERAL</i>				
FY 2005 Appropriations	3,586	3,586	3,586	7,172
Subtotal - Forecast Base	3,586	3,586	3,586	7,172
Change Items				
Recommended 2.5% Base Reduction	0	(89)	(90)	(179)
Total Governor's Recommendations	3,586	3,497	3,496	6,993
<i>Fund: SPECIAL REVENUE</i>				
Planned Statutory Spending	316	261	261	522
Total Governor's Recommendations	316	261	261	522

GOVERNORS OFFICE

Change Item: Recommended 2.5% Base Reduction

Fiscal Impact (\$000s)	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
General Fund				
Expenditures	(\$89)	(\$90)	(\$89)	(\$90)
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Other Fund				
Expenditures	0	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Net Fiscal Impact	(\$89)	(\$90)	(\$89)	(\$90)

Recommendation

The Governor recommends a direct General Fund appropriation of \$3.497 million in FY 2006 and \$3.496 million in FY 2007, a biennial reduction of \$179,000.

Background

Funding for the FY 2006-07 biennium will be used to provide support for Governor Pawlenty and providing information to the public and the Legislature. Along with his official duties, this includes support for his efforts to maintain a balanced budget, pursue a public policy agenda directed at education, jobs, health care, public safety, and transportation, and persistent communication with the people of Minnesota.

To achieve the proposed budget reduction, the Governor's Office strategy will be to consider reductions in administrative and personnel costs.

Relationship to Base Budget

The Governor's recommendation reflects a biennial reduction of \$179,000, which is a 2.5% reduction from the agency's forecast budget and is consistent with the recommendations for other constitutional officers and the legislature.

Agency Purpose

As chief executive, the governor oversees all operations of state government and takes the lead in shaping public policy and representing the interests of Minnesotans to the legislature.

Core Functions

The Governor's Office is organized to effectively administer the duties of the chief executive. Major duties of the governor are to:

- ◆ oversee and provide leadership for the day-to-day operations of state government, with emphasis on quality service delivery and state agency responsiveness to Minnesota citizens;
- ◆ appoint state department heads, people to state boards and commissions, and judges for all court systems when vacancies occur;
- ◆ chair the State Executive Council, the State Board of Investment, the Land Exchange Board, and the Legislative Advisory Commission;
- ◆ dispatch the National Guard for emergency duty;
- ◆ issue extradition papers, proclamations, and writs of special elections;
- ◆ prepare and establish advisory committees to aid in developing legislative proposals and plans for executive action;
- ◆ inform the legislature of the general condition of the state, review, veto, or sign into law legislation and rules, and call special sessions of the legislature when needed;
- ◆ develop the biennial budget and present it to the legislature;
- ◆ promote business development and help create new jobs with assistance and advice from legislators and business leaders;
- ◆ represent the citizens of the state at various functions at local, state, national, and international levels; and
- ◆ perform all other duties as specified by the laws of the state.

The lieutenant governor's chief duty is to assist the governor in carrying out the functions of the executive branch. The lieutenant government serves as an extension of the governor, represents the governor, and is prepared to act in the governor's place in the event of the governor's absence or disability. The lieutenant governor is a key member of the governor's cabinet and is involved in major policy and budget decisions.

Part of the lieutenant governor's official duties include:

- ◆ chairing the Capitol Area Architectural Planning Board (CAAPB); and
- ◆ serving as a member of the State Executive Council.

Operations

The Governor's Office is organized by three program areas overseen by the chief of staff: Government Relations, Communications (which includes citizen outreach), and Operations (which includes the Governor's Residence).

Budget

The office is funded through a direct appropriation from the General Fund. Because state agencies have an interest in maintaining and supporting the functions of the Washington, D.C. office, the Governor's Office has agreements with 11 agencies who share in the costs of staffing and operating the D.C. office.

At A Glance

The governor and lieutenant governor, along with their staff:

- ◆ Report to and represent over 4.9 million citizens of Minnesota
- ◆ Manage 24 cabinet-level executive departments and 59 non-cabinet level, executive branch agencies that are comprised of over 48,000 state employees (see <http://www.departmentresults.state.mn.us/>)
- ◆ Develop a state budget of over \$45 billion every two years
- ◆ Consult with 201 state legislators during annual legislative sessions
- ◆ Appoint 1,000 citizens to 110 boards and commissions
- ◆ Appoint judges to the state's 10 judicial districts, the Court of Appeals, and the Supreme Court
- ◆ Respond to more than 100,000 citizen calls and contacts, conduct hundreds of media interviews, attend scores of meetings, and travel thousands of miles to promote the state of Minnesota.

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