

**0402 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS
FISCAL YEAR 2026
AS ENACTED BY ACT 257 OF 2025**

The Department of Commerce - Division of Aeronautics was created by Act 457 of 1941. The Division formulates and adopts safety regulations and flight rules governing air traffic in the State. It also inspects and licenses airports and provides grants to assist with upgrading of airport facilities and maintenance of safety devices. It is funded with special revenues from a tax on the sale of aviation fuels and aviation related products sold in the state, and federal funds.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
		Actual	Authorized	Legislative
665	Aeronautics-State Operations	\$10,804,839	\$15,694,433	\$16,518,370
666	Aeronautics-Federal Grants	\$200,000	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000
Total		\$11,004,839	\$27,694,433	\$28,518,370

FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Sources		2023-2024 Actual	%
Fund Balance	4000005	\$21,207,553	60.03
Federal Revenue	4000020	\$200,000	0.57
Special Revenue	4000030	\$13,781,891	39.01
Other	4000370	\$139,904	0.40
Shared Services Transfer	4000760	\$0	0.00
Total Funds		\$35,329,348	100.00
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(\$24,324,509)	
Grand Total		\$11,004,839	

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

*Change levels in salary and match line items are due to adjustments for employees as authorized by law.

Aeronautics-State Operations (Appropriation 665)

Commitment Item		2024-2025	2025-2026	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5020002	Operating Expenses	\$200,029	\$165,029	(\$35,000)
5050009	Conference & Travel Expenses	\$15,000	\$50,000	\$35,000
5060010	Professional Fees	\$13,500	\$763,500	\$750,000
Total		\$694,433	\$1,518,370	\$823,937

- Reallocation of \$35,000 from Operating Expenses to Conference & Travel Expenses to support international and national FAA conferences and professional development.
- Increase of \$750,000 in Professional Fees line item to support a Statewide Economic Impact Study for all 90 public owned airports within the State.

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2026: 6

Total Authorized Positions FY2025: 5

Increase / (Decrease): 1

Extra Help Positions FY2026: 0

NO SPECIAL LANGUAGE