

Accounts Overview – Agriculture Finance



Agriculture Finance Accounts

- Dept. of Agriculture (including Rural Finance Authority)
- Animal Health Board
- Agricultural Utilization Research Board (AURI)
- Horticultural Society



Agriculture Finance Accounts (cont)

- General Fund
- Agriculture Fund
- Remediation Fund
- Federal Funds
- Special Revenue Fund



Appropriation Types

- Direct Appropriation
 - An appropriation for a specific amount of money, for use only during a specific time period, usually the biennium.
 - Most appropriations in omnibus bills are direct appropriations.
- Statutory Appropriation
 - An appropriation made in statute (instead of session law) authorizing the ongoing payment out of the treasury for a program.
 - In contrast to direct appropriations, statutory appropriations need not be renewed every biennium for funding to continue.



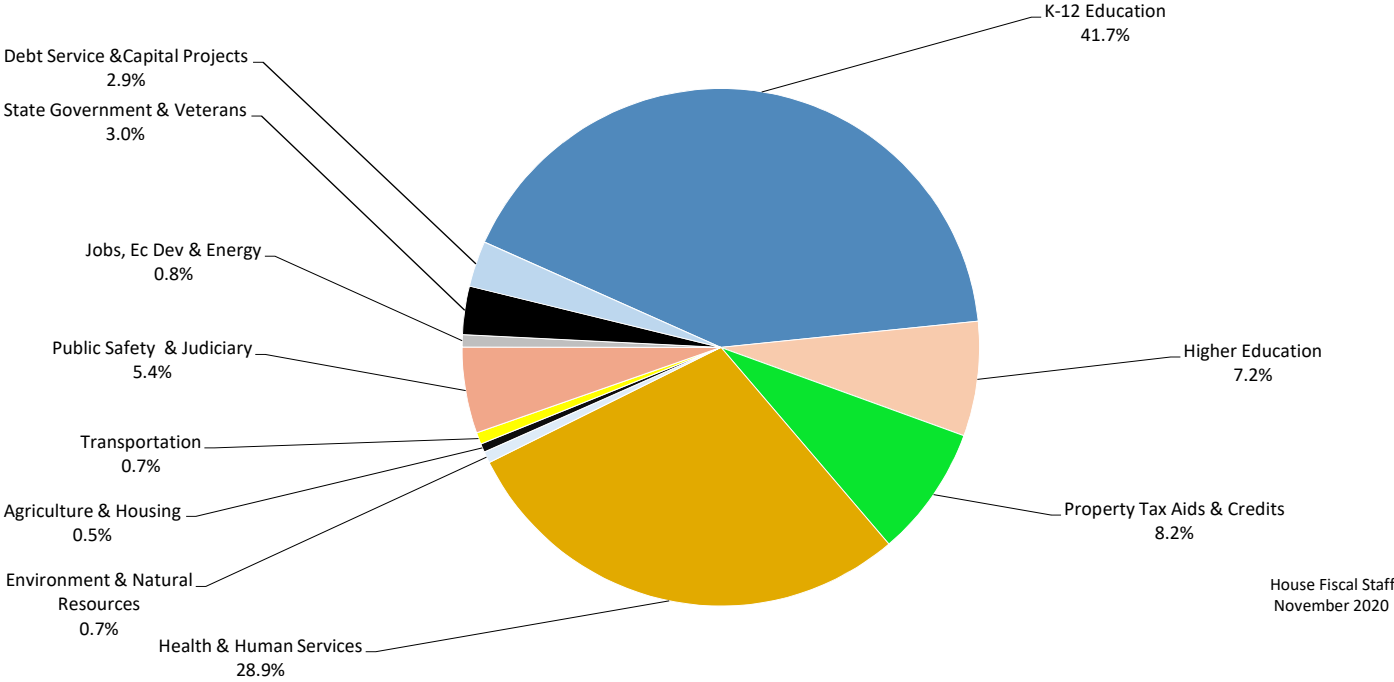
Appropriation Types

- Open Appropriation
 - A form of statutory appropriation where the level of funding necessary to fulfill the obligation is made available in the fiscal year.
 - The state fund balance shows an estimate of the amount expected to be spent.
 - Most commonly funds programs funded by formula or programs funded through fees.



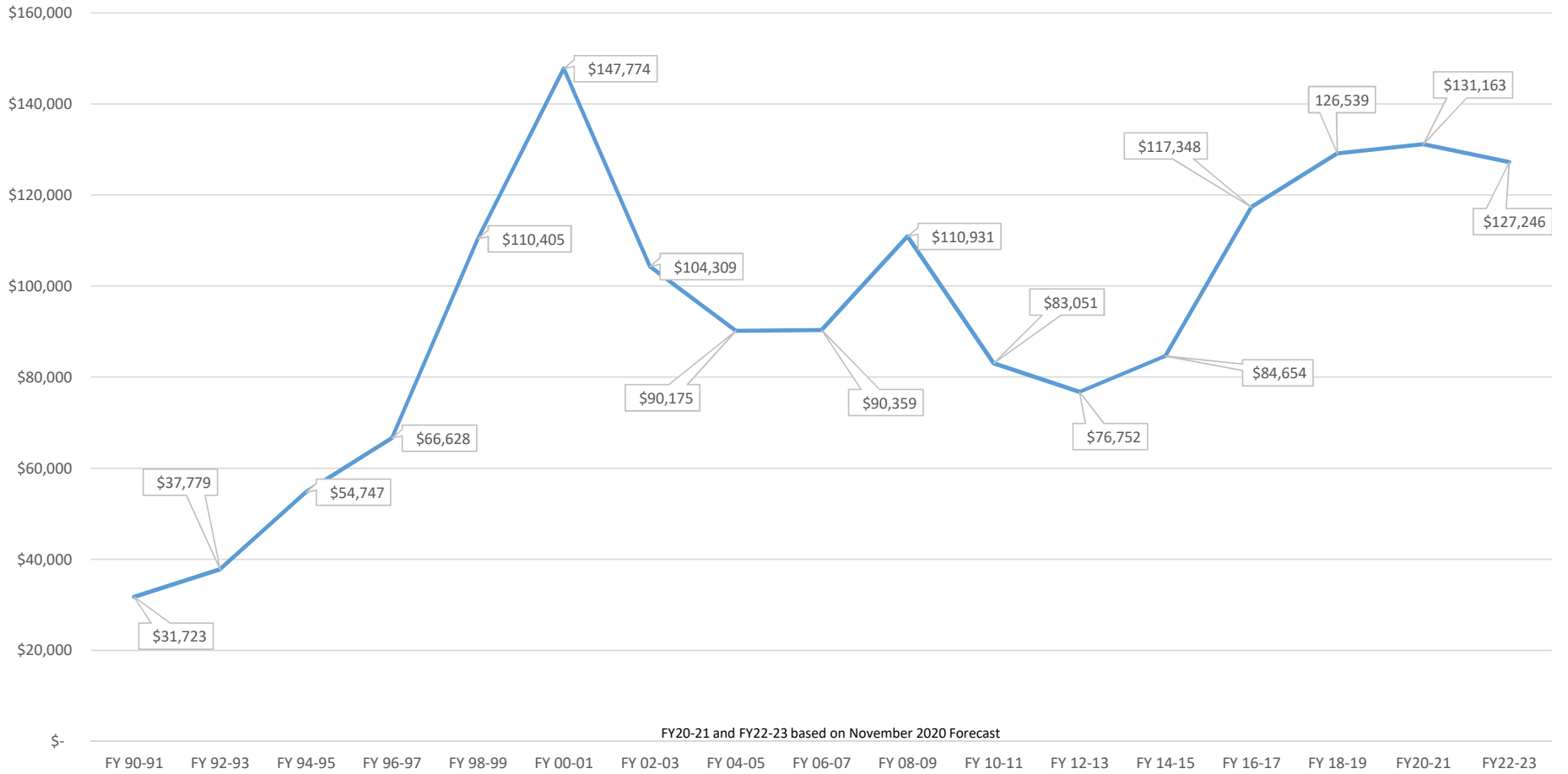
General Fund Spending FY 2020-21

Data from November 2020 Forecast Information
FY 2020-21 General Fund Spending = \$47.7 Billion



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November 2020

Agriculture - General Fund Expenditures - Biennial Basis (\$ in thousands)
Based on November 2020 Forecast



Agriculture Bill Construction

- Appropriation Article
 - Department of Agriculture – Appropriations
 - Protection Services
 - Promotion and Marketing
 - Value-Added Products
 - Administration and Financial Assistance
 - Board of Animal Health – Appropriations
 - AURI – Appropriations
 - Other Appropriations



2019 Session Overview

Agriculture, Housing and Rural Development Finance						
Total General Fund Spending						
(all dollars in thousands)						
				Percentage Change:	Percentage	
	Forecast Base	Enacted	Enacted FY 2020-21	vs. FY 2018-19	Change: Enacted	Enacted
FY 18-19 Forecast	FY 2020-21	FY 2020-21	with Changes	vs. Base	FY 2020-21	FY 2022-23
Department of Agriculture	106,771	103,712	107,617	0.8%	3.8%	107,056
Board of Animal Health	12,182	10,954	11,354	-6.8%	3.7%	11,354
AURI	7,586	7,586	7,786	2.6%	2.6%	7,786
Total Expenditures	126,539	122,252	126,757	0.2%	3.7%	126,196
General Fund Revenue			-6			(6)
Net GF Total	126,539	122,252	126,763	0.2%	3.7%	126,202



2020 Regular Session Overview

- \$1.25 million - Second Harvest Heartland – One-time funding for food shelf support.
- \$50 million – Rural Finance Authority – One-time for additional lending programs/capacity to support farmers.

- Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) – One time appropriations in FY2020.
- \$40k - additional farmer mental health support.
- \$100k – assist farmers/producers with market loss.
- \$175k – offset farm crisis loan origination fees.
- \$125k – support to retailers/food handlers with sanitary equipment purchases and supplies.
- \$100k – establish a grant program to increase capacity of meat/poultry processors.
- \$60k – additional support for farm advocate services.

- Repurpose of AGREET funds to provide \$675k of lab equipment to the VDL and \$100k for farm safety programming.



2020 Special Session(s) Overview

- Special Session 5
 - Flexibility to utilize previous CRF appropriation for loan origination fees for the purposes of providing grants to eligible farmers harmed by COVID-19.
- Special Session 7
 - Waived late license renewal fees for food handlers, wholesalers, manufacturers and brokers for calendar year 2021. Waiving of the late fees results in \$8k lost revenue to the general fund in FY20-21 and \$46k in FY22-23.



Budget Enactment Timeline – Odd Year Session

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- Early December (12-1-2020) – MMB releases November economic forecast.

- January – Legislative session convenes (1-5-2021) . Governor makes budget recommendations (fourth Tuesday in Jan. in 2021). Legislative bill deadlines established.

- End of February – MMB releases February economic forecast.

- March – House Ways and Means Committee and Senate Leadership establish committee spending targets.

- April – Omnibus finance bills leave the House floor. Conference committees begin meeting.

- May – Conference committees conclude. Conference committee reports return to the House floor for final passage. Legislature adjourns May 17, 2021 (no later than 1st Monday after 3rd Saturday in May).

- May – Governor signs/vetoes legislation.



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