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Governor's Budget Hearings, FY 2024/ FY 2025 Operating Budget

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Good afternoon and thank you for the opportunity to present the Fiscal Year 2024 and Fiscal Year 2025 operating budget request from the Department of Revenue Administration.

The mission of the Site Evaluation Committee is the review, approval, monitoring and enforcement of compliance in the planning, siting, construction and operation of energy facilities in The State of New Hampshire.

Ideally, our budget is funded through fees paid during the permitting of new energy facilities. This mechanism, however, can prove unreliable as it is inextricably tied to the number, size and scope of applicants. Currently there are zero. Accordingly, additional funding is often needed to supplement the enforcement and adjudication component of the committee's purview.

With me today is Leonard Rautio, Director of the Business Office in the Department of Energy. Together we will endeavor to answer any questions fully and to the best of our ability.

Thank you.

Site Evaluation Committee FY24/25 Budget Highlights - Governor’s Budget Hearing

Position Overview:

	FY23 Adj Auth	FY24 Agency Req	FY25 Agency Req
Permanent Classified	0	0	0
Unclassified Positions	1	1	1
Total Positions	1	1	1

Budget Comparison Highlights (Includes Prioritized Needs):

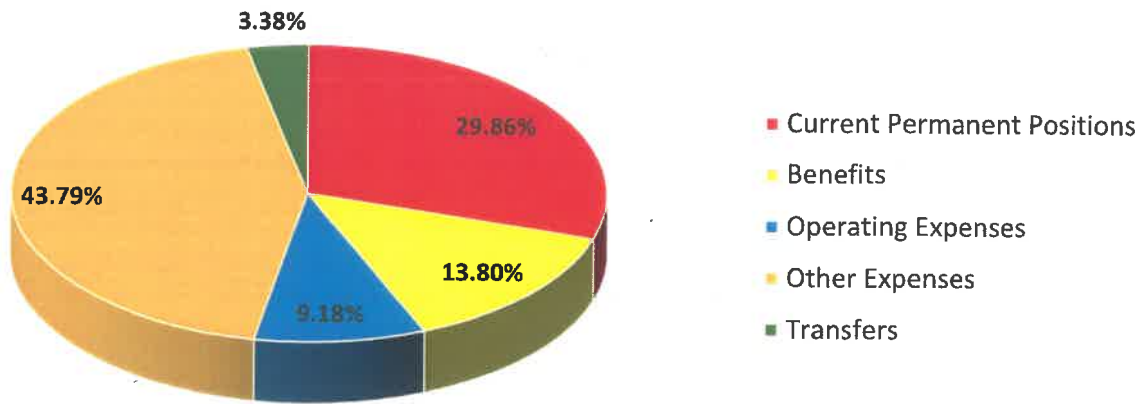
	FY23 Adj Auth	FY24 Agency Request	FY25 Agency Request
Current Permanent Positions	\$85,489	\$100,256	\$105,482
Benefits	\$39,519	\$43,167	\$45,775
Operating Expenses	\$26,290	\$23,300	\$23,300
Other Expenses	\$125,374	\$75,243	\$75,258
Transfers	\$9,668	\$40,828	\$40,767
Total Appropriation	\$286,340	\$282,794	\$290,582

Percent Change from FY23 → FY24 = 1.24% Decrease
 Percent Change from FY23 → FY25 = 1.48% Increase
 Percent Change from FY24 → FY25 = 2.75% Increase

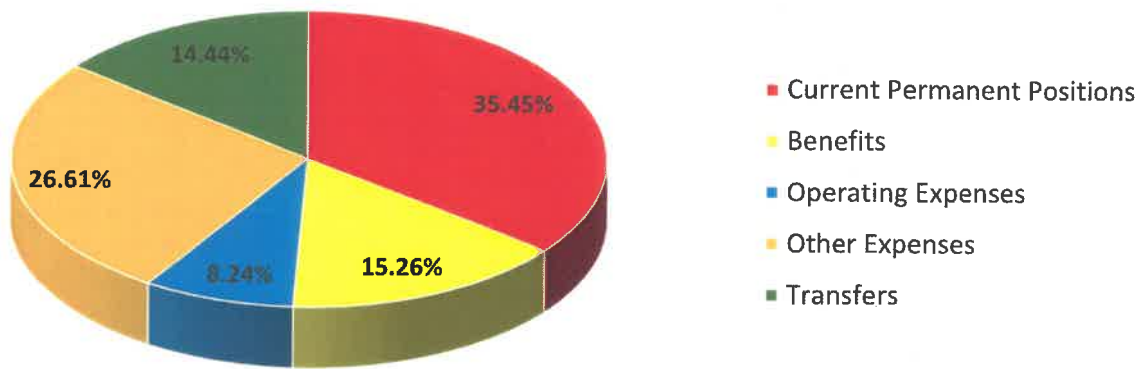
Prioritized Needs:

	FY24 Agency Prioritized Needs	FY25 Agency Prioritized Needs
Transfer to DoIT	\$363	\$389
DAS Rent	\$605	\$256
Total Prioritized Needs	\$968	\$645

FY23 Adjusted Authorized



FY24 Agency Request



FY25 Agency Request

