The Agency

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Agency Operations

The Lieutenant Governor was established as one of the five general offices subject to voter election under the Constitution of Rhode Island. The Office of Lieutenant Governor is an organizational unit within the Executive Department. The Lieutenant Governor fulfills the executive responsibilities of the Governor upon his/her death, resignation, impeachment or inability to serve. The Lieutenant Governor appoints members of the general public to serve on committees and commissions established by the General Assembly. As well, the Lieutenant Governor chairs and serves on various commissions and advisory boards. The office initiates legislation in various roles of public policy, and has assumed advocacy and leadership roles in such areas as emergency management, veterans affairs, education, economic development, small business development, the environment, long-term health care and elderly affairs. The office also serves as a liaison between citizens and state agencies.

Agency Objectives

To fulfill the constitutional and statutory functions of the law for the Office of Lieutenant Governor.

Statutory History

Article IX, Sections 1 and 9 through 11 of the Constitution of Rhode Island specify the Lieutenant Governor's elected executive power, duties in the case of death, resignation, impeachment of the Governor, responsibility in the case of a vacancy of position, and compensation. Article IV, Sections 1 and 3 of the Constitution of Rhode Island address the quadrennial election process by the voters of Rhode Island and the transition responsibility for the Lieutenant Governor.

The Budget

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Revised	FY 2007 Recommended
Expenditures By Object				
Personnel	767,165	796,777	899,391	909,236
Other State Operations	74,581	51,229	59,376	58,276
Aid To Local Units Of Government	-	-	-	-
Assistance, Grants and Benefits	-	-	-	-
Subtotal: Operating Expenditures	\$841,746	\$848,006	\$958,767	\$967,512
Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-
Capital Debt Service	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$841,746	\$848,006	\$958,767	\$967,512
Expenditures By Fund General Revenue Total Expenditures	841,746 \$841,746	848,006 \$848,006	958,767 \$958,767	967,512 \$967,512
FTE Authorization	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.5
Agency Measures				
Minorities as a Percentage of the Workforce	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Females as a Percentage of the Workforce	50.0%	50.0%	40.0%	40.0%
Persons with Disabilities as a Percentage of the Workforce	-	-	-	-
Program Measures	NA	NA	NA	NA