

	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Estimated	FY 2023 Requested	FY 2023 Recommended
<u>Expenditure By Object</u>				
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	1,838,018	2,115,448	2,221,294	1,991,848
Travel	4,162	37,800	45,000	37,800
Contractual Services	151,111	316,689	104,000	52,400
Commodities	54,318	16,700	20,000	16,700
Totals	2,047,609	2,486,637	2,390,294	2,098,748
<u>To Be Funded As Follows:</u>				
Cash Balance - Unencumbered	0	264,289	0	0
State Appropriations	1,936,898	2,222,348	2,390,294	2,098,748
Public Utilities Application Fund	375,000	0	0	0
Less: Est Cash Available	-264,289	0	0	0
Totals	2,047,609	2,486,637	2,390,294	2,098,748
General Fund Lapse	157,633	0	0	0
<u>Summary Of Positions</u>				
Permanent Full-Time	27	27	27	24
Part-Time	0	0	0	0
Time-Limited Full-Time	0	0	0	0
Part-Time	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	27	27	24
<u>Summary Of Funding</u>				
General Funds	1,936,898	2,222,348	2,390,294	2,098,748
State Support Funds	0	0	0	0
Special Funds	110,711	264,289	0	0
Totals	2,047,609	2,486,637	2,390,294	2,098,748

Agency Description and Programs

The Public Utilities Staff was reorganized under Section 77-2-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, and became separate and independent from the Public Service Commission. The functions of the Utilities Staff are outlined in Section 77-2-9 to provide investigative and advisory services to the Mississippi Public Service Commission by conducting audits, reviewing filings, investigating public utilities, and making recommendations regarding cases before the Commission. In the 2016 Regular Legislative Session, the Legislature passed Senate Bill 2362, the Mississippi Budget Transparency and Simplification Act of 2016, which changed the support for the Public Utilities Staff to be provided by the General Fund.

Senate Bill 3054, 2020 Regular Legislative Session, amended Senate Bill 3046, 2020 Regular Legislative Session for the COVID-19 Broadband Provider Grant Program Fund. The amendment created a special fund designated as the Public Utilities Application Fund. Monies in the Fund shall be used for administrative expenses related to the processing of grants by the Public Utilities Staff.

1. Utility Investigative Services

This program is responsible for all duties and procedures concerning the execution and enforcement of the laws, rules, orders, directives, duties, and obligations imposed for the control and government of the utility industry within the State of Mississippi.

	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Estimated	FY 2023 Requested	FY 2023 Recommended
<u>Summary By Program</u>				
1. Utility Investigative Services				
Total Funds	2,047,609	2,486,637	2,390,294	2,098,748
