

	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Estimated	FY 2026 Requested	FY 2026 Recommended
<u>Expenditure By Object</u>				
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	1,955,670	2,520,137	2,520,137	2,419,364
Travel	18,427	50,000	50,000	50,000
Contractual Services	43,559	150,000	150,000	150,000
Commodities	5,907	26,479	26,479	26,479
Totals	2,023,563	2,746,616	2,746,616	2,645,843
<u>To Be Funded As Follows:</u>				
State Appropriations	2,023,563	2,666,616	2,666,616	2,565,843
Atlas Project Fund	0	80,000	80,000	80,000
Totals	2,023,563	2,746,616	2,746,616	2,645,843
General Fund Lapse	527,508	0	0	0
<u>Summary Of Headcounts</u>				
Permanent	27	27	27	24
Time-Limited	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	27	27	24
<u>Summary Of Funding</u>				
General Funds	2,023,563	2,666,616	2,666,616	2,565,843
State Support Funds	0	0	0	0
Special Funds	0	80,000	80,000	80,000
Totals	2,023,563	2,746,616	2,746,616	2,645,843

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 (PSC). The Utilities Staff functions are outlined in Section 77-2-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, to provide investigative and advisory services to the PSC 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.

1. Utility Investigative Services

This program administers 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 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Estimated	FY 2026 Requested	FY 2026 Recommended
<u>Summary By Program</u>				
1. Utility Investigative Services				
Total Funds	2,023,563	2,746,616	2,746,616	2,645,843