Department of Agriculture

DAG42500

Position Summary

		Governor	Governor Re	ecommended	Legis	Legislative		
Account	Actual FY 12	Estimated FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 14	FY 15		
Permanent Full-Time - GF	51	48	49	49	49	49		
Permanent Full-Time - OF	8	0	0	0	0	0		
Permanent Full-Time - RF	7	7	7	7	7	7		

Budget Summary

		Governor	Governor Reco	ommended	Legisla	tive
Account	Actual FY 12	Estimated FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 14	FY 15
Personal Services	3,540,940	3,317,987	3,636,369	3,798,976	3,604,488	3,767,095
Other Expenses	684,458	669,279	743,214	743,214	722,045	652,045
Equipment	0	1	1	1	1	1
Other Current Expenses						
Vibrio Bacterium Program	0	1	0	0	1	1
Senior Food Vouchers	272,766	384,275	0	0	365,062	363,016
Environmental Conservation	0	90,000	0	0	85,500	85,500
Other Than Payments to Local Governmen	nts					
Collection of Agricultural Statistics	0	1,026	0	0	975	975
Tuberculosis and Brucellosis Indemnity	0	900	0	0	855	855
Fair Testing	3,007	4,040	0	0	3,838	3,838
Connecticut Grown Product Promotion	9,500	10,000	0	0	0	0
WIC Coupon Program for Fresh Produce	167,404	184,090	0	0	174,886	174,886
WIC and Senior Voucher Programs	0	0	508,067	506,021	0	0
GAAP Adjustments	0	0	25,369	21,028	25,369	21,028
Agency Total - General Fund	4,678,075	4,661,599	4,913,020	5,069,240	4,983,020	5,069,240
Personal Services	348,848	386,193	380,287	399,028	380,287	399,028
Other Expenses	271,494	273,007	273,007	273,007	273,007	273,007
Equipment	3,495	1	1	1	1	1
Other Current Expenses						
Fringe Benefits	227,230	266,473	266,201	266,201	266,201	266,201
GAAP Adjustments	0	0	2,184	3,261	2,184	3,261
Agency Total - Regional Market Operation Fund	851,066	925,674	921,680	941,498	921,680	941,498
Total - Appropriated Funds	5,529,141	5,587,273	5,834,700	6,010,738	5,904,700	6,010,738
Additional Funds Available	0,0=3,111	3,331,213	3,001,700	0,010,700	0,501,700	0,010,750
Federal Funds	450,414	459,423	459,423	459,423	0	0
Federal & Other Restricted Act	1,191,635	1,215,468	1,215,468	1,215,468	1,239,777	1,264,573
Private Contributions	8,345,330	8,522,880	8,522,880	8,522,880	8,693,321	8,867,975
Agency Grand Total	15,516,520	15,785,044	16,032,471	16,208,509	15,837,798	16,143,286

	Legislative				Difference from Governor Recommended			
Account		FY 14	FY 15		FY 14		FY 15	
	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount

Current Services

Adjust Operating Expenses to Reflect Current Requirements

Senior Food Vouchers	0	0	0	(2,046)	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	0	0	(2,046)	0	0	0	0

Governor

Reduce funding by \$2,046 in FY 15 to reflect reduced costs for printing and binding.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Adjust Funding to Reflect Wage & Compensation Related Costs

Personal Services	0	200,750	0	367,855	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	200,750	0	367,855	0	0	0	0
Personal Services	0	(5,906)	0	12,835	0	0	0	0
Total - Regional Market								
Operation Fund	0	(5,906)	0	12,835	0	0	0	0

Governor

Provide funding of \$194,844 in FY 14 and \$380,690 in FY 15 to reflect current services wage-related adjustments such as annual increments, general wage increases, annualization, turnover, and other compensation-related adjustments.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Transfer Analyst from DEEP to Dept. of Agriculture

Personal Services	1	102,634	1	105,713	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	1	102,634	1	105,713	0	0	0	0

Governor

Transfer funding of \$102,634 in FY 14 and \$105,713 in FY 15 and associated Environmental Analyst position to reflect the realignment of funding and position with duties.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Apply Inflationary Increases

Other Expenses	0	20,789	0	41,653	0	0	0	0
Collection of Agricultural Statistics	0	22	0	52	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis and Brucellosis Indemnity	0	20	0	47	0	0	0	0
Fair Testing	0	88	0	208	0	0	0	0
Connecticut Grown Product Promotion	0	217	0	513	0	0	0	0
WIC Coupon Program for Fresh Produce	0	3,995	0	9,449	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	25,131	0	51,922	0	0	0	0
Other Expenses	0	8,767	0	17,996	0	0	0	0
Total - Regional Market Operation Fund	0	8,767	0	17,996	0	0	0	0

Background

Applying inflationary factors to current year expenditures provides an estimate of the cost of continuing services into the next year.

		Legislative				Difference from Governor Recommended			
Account		FY 14		FY 15		FY 14		FY 15	
	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	

Governor

Increase funding for various accounts by \$33,898 in FY 14 and an additional \$36,020 in FY 15 (for a cumulative total of \$69,918 in the second year) to reflect inflationary increases.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for GAAP

Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	0	21,370	0	20,951	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	21,370	0	20,951	0	0	0	0
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	0	3,054	0	3,279	0	0	0	0
Total - Regional Market Operation Fund	0	3,054	0	3,279	0	0	0	0

Background

Each agency's budget will include a new line item account called "Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals". This line item represents the estimate of the difference between an agency's cash-basis budget amounts and the accrual-basis amounts that will be reflected under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). These funds will not be available for spending; in the aggregate they will prevent the state's GAAP deficit from growing.

Governor

Provide funding of \$24,424 in FY 14 and \$24,230 in FY 15 to reflect the implementation of GAAP in the budget.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Adjust Funding for Fringe Benefits

Fringe Benefits	0	(272)	0	(272)	0	0	0	0
Total - Regional Market								
Operation Fund	0	(272)	0	(272)	0	0	0	0

Background

Non-General Fund agencies are budgeted directly for employee fringe benefits.

Governo

Reduce funding of \$272 in both FY 14 and FY 15 for fringe benefits.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Policy Revisions

Eliminate Inflationary Increases

Other Expenses	0	(20,789)	0	(41,653)	0	0	0	0
Collection of Agricultural Statistics	0	(22)	0	(52)	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis and Brucellosis Indemnity	0	(20)	0	(47)	0	0	0	0
Fair Testing	0	(88)	0	(208)	0	0	0	0
Connecticut Grown Product Promotion	0	(217)	0	(513)	0	0	0	0
WIC Coupon Program for Fresh Produce	0	(3,995)	0	(9,449)	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	(25,131)	0	(51,922)	0	0	0	0
Other Expenses	0	(8,767)	0	(17,996)	0	0	0	0
Total - Regional Market Operation Fund	0	(8,767)	0	(17,996)	0	0	0	0

	Legislative				Difference from Governor Recommended			
Account		FY 14	FY 15		FY 14		FY 15	
	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount

Governor

Reduce various accounts by \$33,898 in FY 14 and \$69,918 in FY 15 to reflect the elimination of inflationary increases.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Rollout of FY 13 Rescissions

Personal Services	0	(10,000)	0	(10,000)	0	0	0	0
Senior Food Vouchers	0	(19,213)	0	(19,213)	0	0	0	0
Environmental Conservation	0	(4,500)	0	(4,500)	0	0	0	0
Collection of Agricultural Statistics	0	(51)	0	(51)	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis and Brucellosis Indemnity	0	(45)	0	(45)	0	0	0	0
Fair Testing	0	(202)	0	(202)	0	0	0	0
Connecticut Grown Product Promotion	0	(10,000)	0	(10,000)	0	0	0	0
WIC Coupon Program for Fresh Produce	0	(9,204)	0	(9,204)	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	(53,215)	0	(53,215)	0	0	0	0

Background

The Governor implemented General Fund rescissions in November of 2012 totaling \$170.4 million across state agencies. The Governor's FY 14 and FY 15 budget includes the rollout of \$69.7 million of FY 13 rescissions across various agencies.

Governor

Reduce funding of \$53,215 in both FY 14 and FY 15 to reflect the rollout of the Governor's FY 13 rescissions.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Transfer Funding to Streamline Budget Account Structure

Personal Services	0	0	0	0	0	(31,881)	0	(31,881)
Other Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	(91,169)	0	(91,169)
Vibrio Bacterium Program	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Senior Food Vouchers	0	0	0	0	0	365,062	0	363,016
Environmental Conservation	0	0	0	0	0	85,500	0	85,500
Collection of Agricultural Statistics	0	0	0	0	0	975	0	975
Tuberculosis and Brucellosis Indemnity	0	0	0	0	0	855	0	855
Fair Testing	0	0	0	0	0	3,838	0	3,838
WIC Coupon Program for Fresh Produce	0	0	0	0	0	174,886	0	174,886
WIC and Senior Voucher Programs	0	0	0	0	0	(508,067)	0	(506,021)
Total - General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Background

The Governor's FY 14 and FY 15 budget consolidates the number of agency budgetary accounts from 675 to approximately 530.

Governor

Transfer funding of \$631,117 in FY 14 and \$629,071 in FY 15 from various programmatic accounts to the agency's Personal Services, Other Expenses and WIC Senior Food Voucher accounts to reflect the streamlining of agency budgetary accounts.

Legislative

Do not reflect the streamlining of agency budgetary accounts.

	Legislative					Difference from Governor Recommended			
Account	FY 14		FY 15		FY 14		FY 15		
	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	

Remove Funding for Salary Increases of Appointed Officials

Personal Services	0	(6,883)	0	(14,460)	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	(6,883)	0	(14,460)	0	0	0	0

Governor

Reduce funding by \$6,883 in FY 14 and \$14,460 in FY 15 to reflect the elimination of salary increases for appointed officials.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Transfer Funding - Centralize Courier & Mail Services in DAS

Other Expenses	0	(7,234)	0	(7,234)	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	(7,234)	0	(7,234)	0	0	0	0

Governor

Transfer funding of \$7,234 in both FY 14 and FY 15 to reflect moving courier and central mail services to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS).

Legislative

Same as Governor

Transfer Costs for On-Line Licensing

Other Expenses	0	(10,000)	0	(10,000)	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	(10,000)	0	(10,000)	0	0	0	0

Governor

Transfer funding of \$10,000 in both FY 14 and FY 15 to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to reflect centralizing the online licensing system.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Adjust Funding for GAAP

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Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	0	3,999	0	77	0	0	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	3,999	0	77	0	0	0	0
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	0	(870)	0	(18)	0	0	0	0
Total - Regional Market Operation Fund	0	(870)	0	(18)	0	0	0	0

Governor

Provide funding of \$3,129 in FY 14 and \$59 in FY 15 to reflect changes to GAAP accruals as a result of a policy change.

Legislative

Same as Governor

Provide Funding for Vibrio Bacteria Testing Equipment

Other Expenses	0	70,000	0	0	0	70,000	0	0
Total - General Fund	0	70,000	0	0	0	70,000	0	0

Background

Vibrio vulnificus is a bacterium in the same family as those that cause cholera. The bacterium is usually found in warmer coastal areas and is found in higher concentrations in the summer months as water becomes warmer.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$70,000 in FY 14 for vibrio bacteria testing equipment.

Totals

		Legislative				Difference from Governor Recommended			
Budget Components		FY 14	FY 15		FY 14		FY 15		
	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	Pos.	Amount	
Governor Estimated - GF	48	4,661,599	48	4,661,599	0	0	0	0	
Current Services	1	349,885	1	544,395	0	0	0	0	
Policy Revisions	0	(28,464)	0	(136,754)	0	70,000	0	0	
Total Recommended - GF	49	4,983,020	49	5,069,240	0	70,000	0	0	
Governor Estimated - RF	7	925,674	7	925,674	0	0	0	0	
Current Services	0	5,643	0	33,838	0	0	0	0	
Policy Revisions	0	(9,637)	0	(18,014)	0	0	0	0	
Total Recommended - RF	7	921,680	7	941,498	0	0	0	0	

Other Significant Legislation

PA 13-184, An Act Concerning Expenditures and Revenue for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2015

Sections 11, 12 and 49 contain provisions that allow the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) to allocate specific lapses to state agencies in the three branches of government (these are typically called holdbacks). The agency's FY 14 appropriation levels will be reduced by the amounts shown in the table to achieve the lapses included in PA 13-184. This includes a General Lapse of \$18,037, a General Other Expenses Lapse of \$5,915, and a Statewide Hiring Reduction Lapse of \$10,608. See the FY 14 Holdbacks schedule in Section VI of this document for a further description of these statewide savings targets.

		Reduction	Net	
Account	Appropriation \$	Amount \$	Remaining \$	% Reduction
Personal Services	3,604,488	(25,648)	3,578,840	0.71%
Other Expenses	722,045	(8,912)	713,133	1.23%