



Budget Briefing: Legislature

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Briefing Topics

- Funding Sources
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Legislature

- Michigan's legislature is a sovereign and independent branch of state government:
 - House of Representatives: 110 members elected for two-year terms with a maximum of three terms
 - Senate: 38 members elected for four-year terms with a maximum of two terms
 - Legislative Council: Maintains bill drafting, research, and other services (commissions and ombudsman positions)
 - State Capitol Historic Site: Oversees maintenance and restoration of State Capitol Building
 - Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission: Commission of citizens with exclusive authority to adopt district boundaries for the Michigan Senate, Michigan House of Representatives, and United States Congress every 10 years
- Enacts laws of Michigan, levies taxes, and appropriates funding from revenue collected for the support of public institutions and the administration of the affairs of state government
- Initiates and considers amendments to the State Constitution, considers legislation proposed by petitions signed by voters, and considers proposed amendments to the U.S. Constitution
- Exercises oversight over the Executive branch of government through the administrative rules, audit processes, and committee hearings

Key Budget Terms

Fiscal Year: The state's fiscal year (FY) runs from October to September. FY 2020-21 is October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

Appropriation: Authority to expend funds. An appropriation is not a mandate to spend. Constitutionally, state funds cannot be expended without an appropriation by the legislature.

Line Item: Specific appropriation amount that establishes spending authorization for a particular program or function in a budget bill.

Boilerplate: Specific language sections in a budget bill that direct, limit, or restrict line item expenditures, express legislative intent, and/or require reports.

Lapse: Appropriated amounts that are unspent or unobligated at the end of a fiscal year. Appropriations are automatically terminated at the end of a fiscal year unless designated as a multi-year work project under a statutory process. Lapsed funds are available for expenditure in the subsequent fiscal year.

Note: Unless otherwise indicated, historical budget figures in this presentation have not been adjusted for inflation.

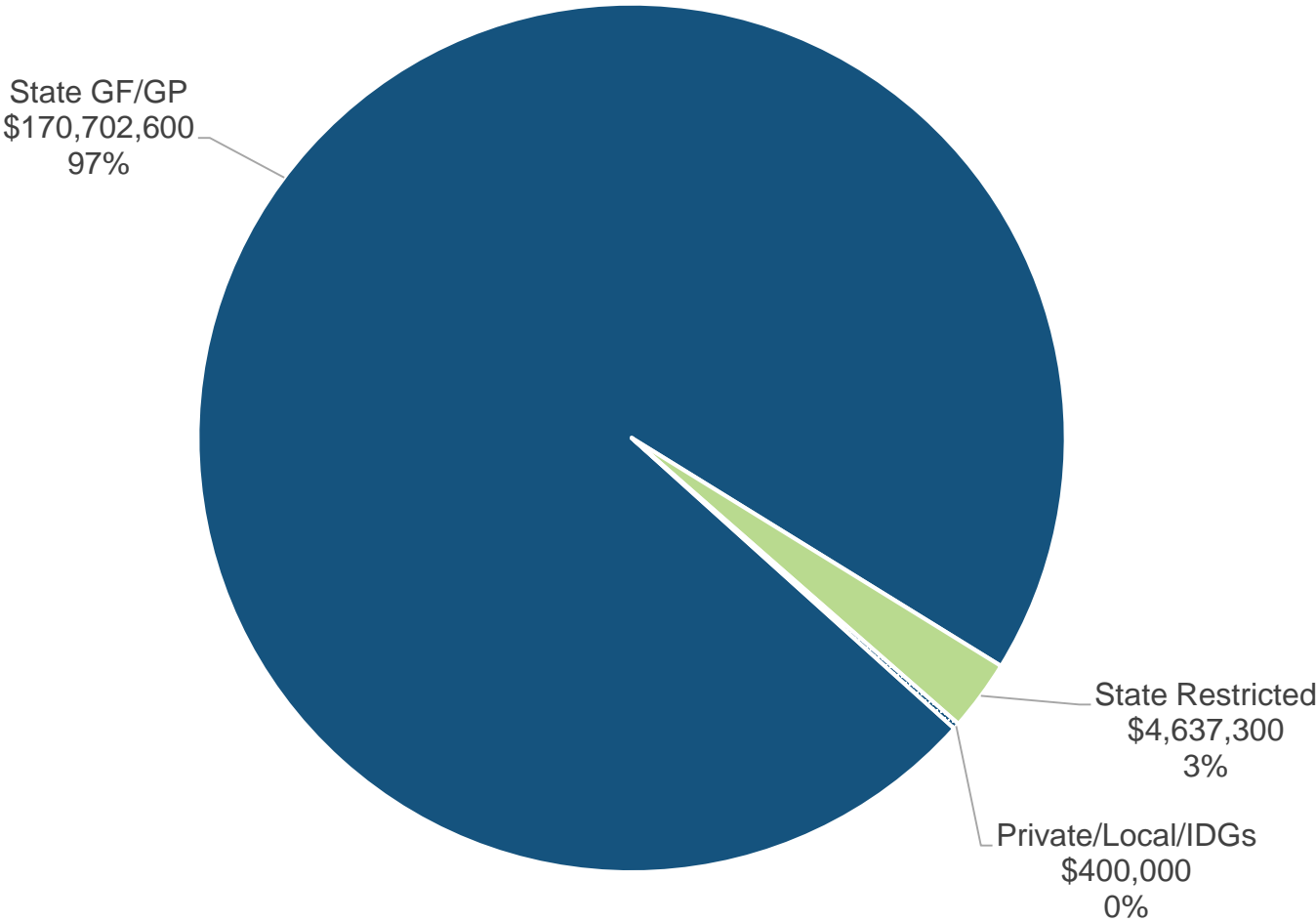
Funding Sources

FY 2020-21 Legislature Budget

Fund Source	Funding	Description
Gross Appropriations	\$175,739,900	Total spending authority from all revenue sources
Interdepartmental Grants (IDG) Revenue	0	Funds received by one state department from another state department, usually for services provided
Adjusted Gross Appropriations	\$175,739,900	Gross appropriations excluding IDGs; avoids double counting when adding appropriation amounts across budget areas
Federal Revenue	0	Federal grant or matching revenue; generally dedicated to specific programs or purposes
Local Revenue	0	Revenue received from local units of government for state services
Private Revenue	400,000	Revenue from individuals and private entities, including payments for services, grants, and other contributions
State Restricted Revenue	4,637,300	State revenue restricted by the State Constitution, state statute, or outside restriction that is available only for specified purposes; includes most fee revenue
State General Fund/General Purpose (GF/GP) Revenue	\$170,702,600	Unrestricted revenue from taxes and other sources available to fund basic state programs and other purposes determined by the legislature

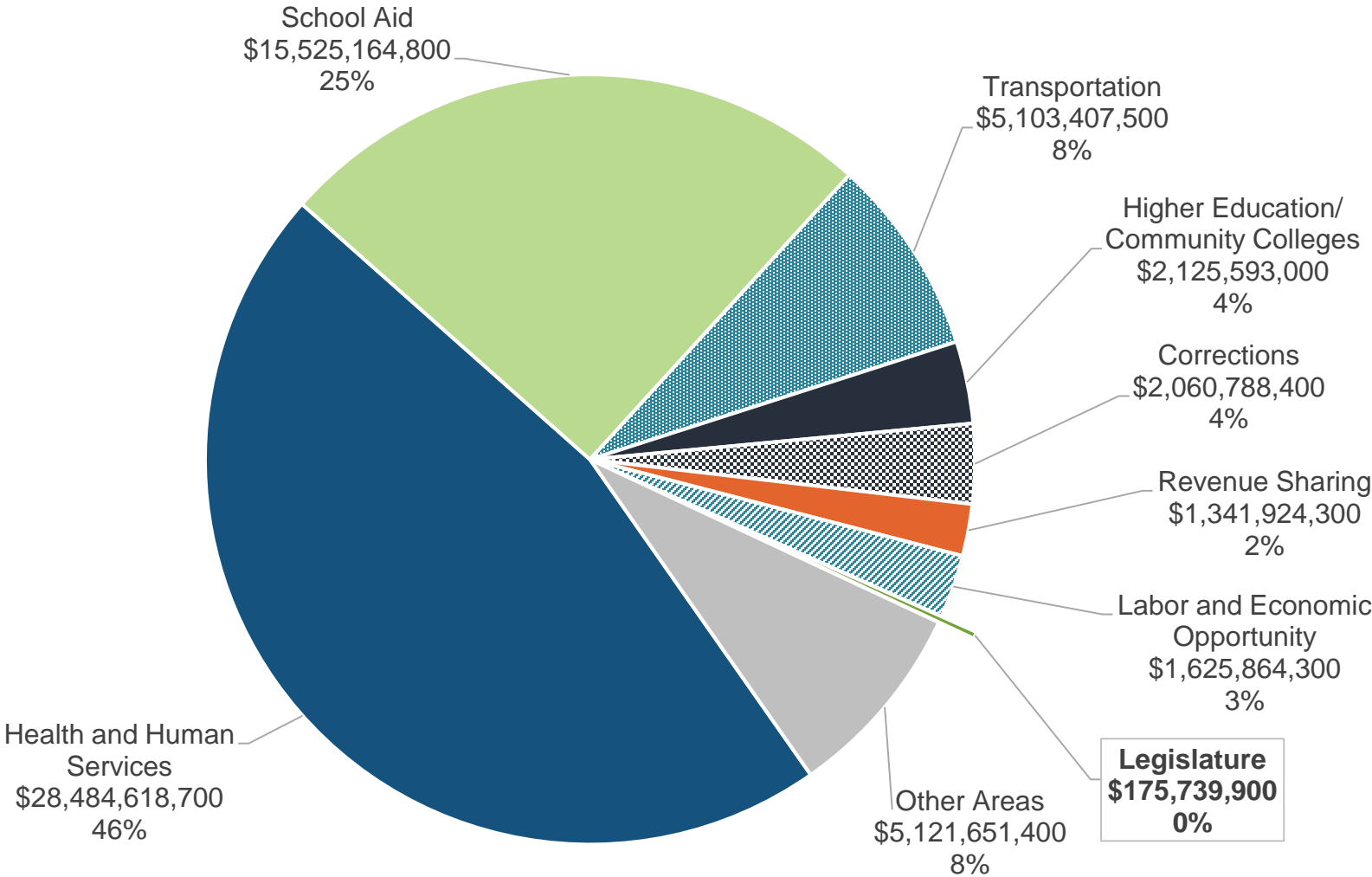
FY 2020-21 Fund Sources

Approximately **97%** of the **\$175.7 million** Legislature budget is funded by General Fund revenue.



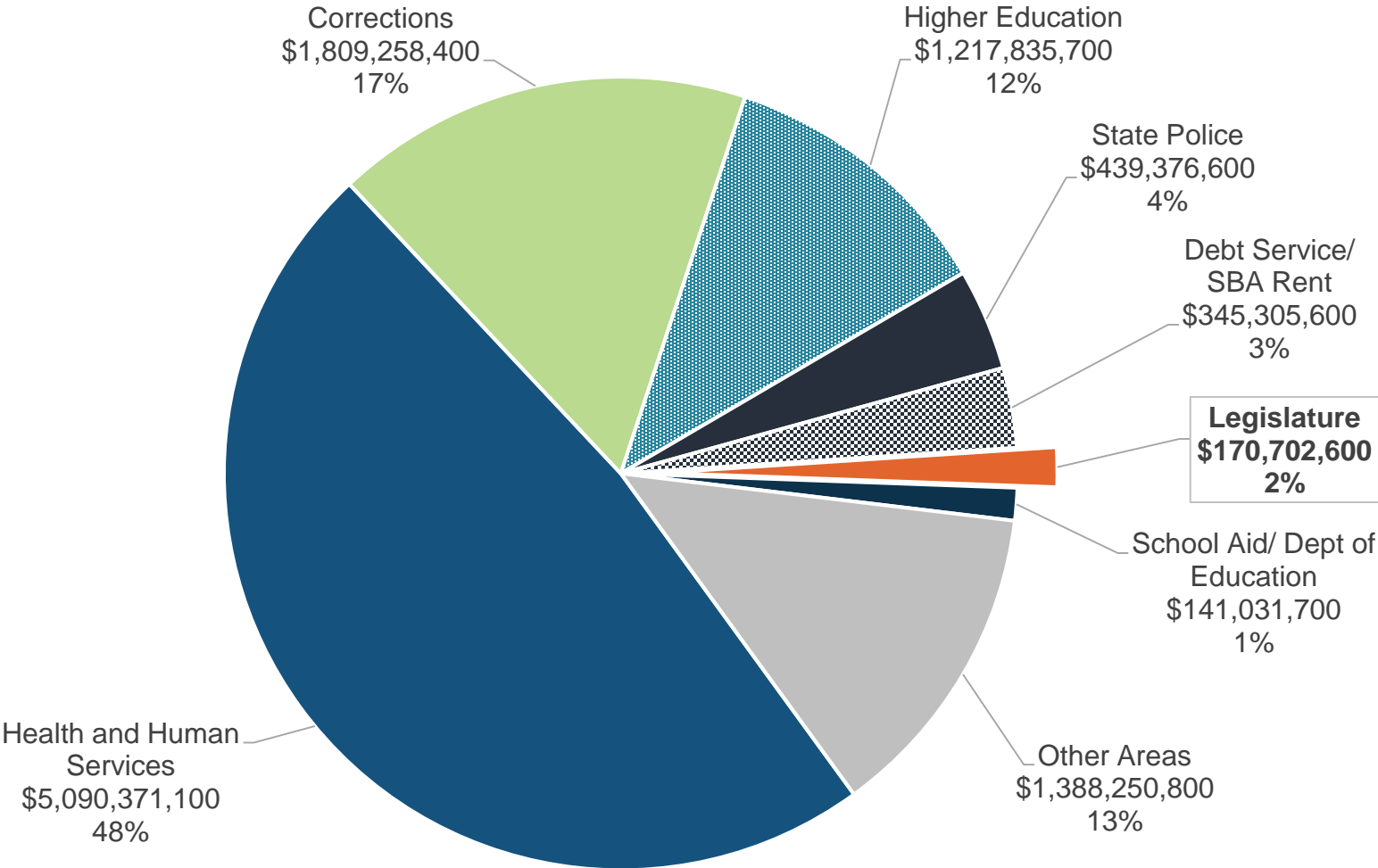
Legislature Share of Total State Budget

The Legislature budget represents less than 1% of the \$61.6 billion state budget (adjusted gross) for FY 2020-21.



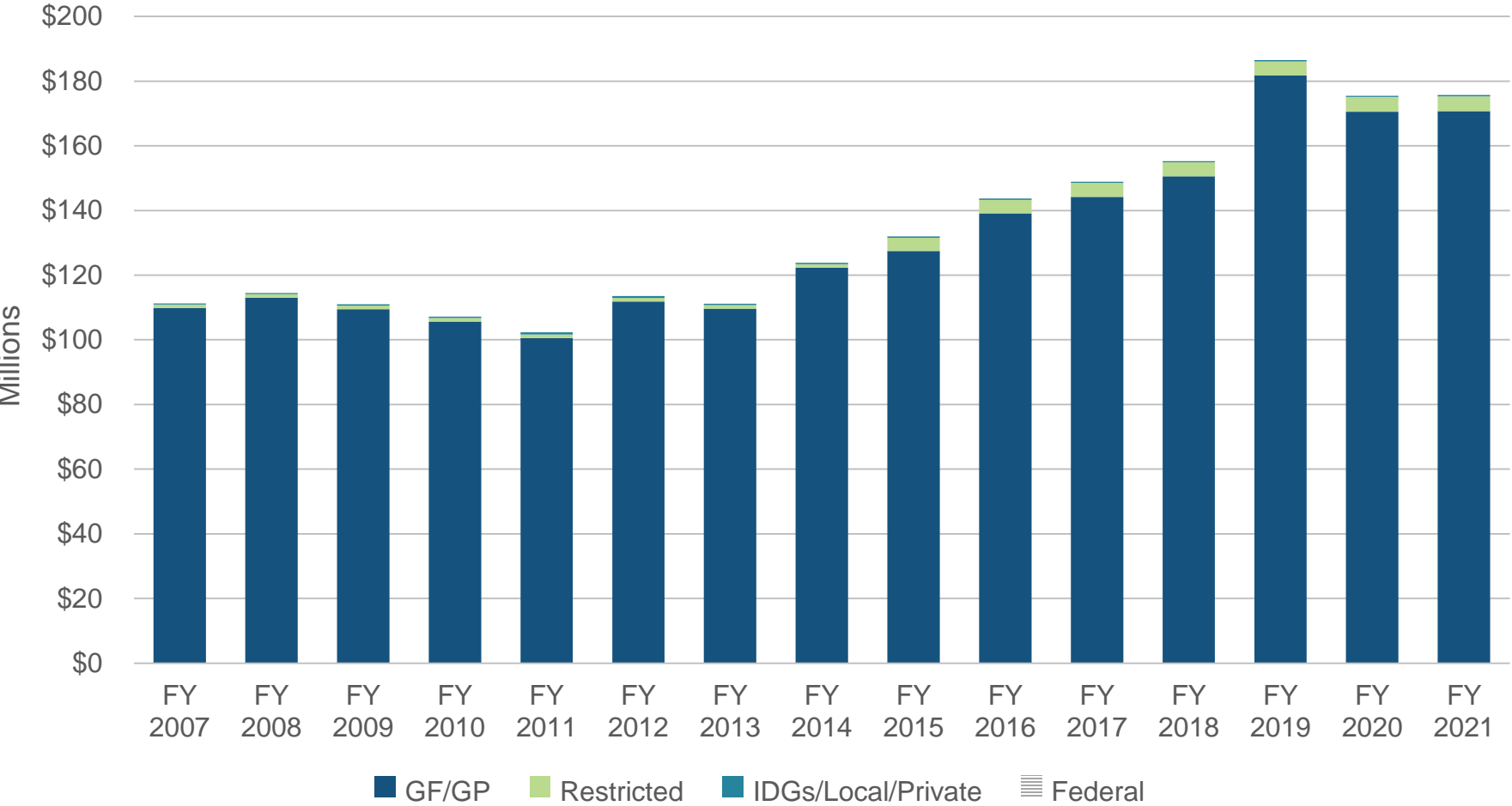
Legislature Share of Total GF/GP Budget

The Legislature budget represents about **2%** of the state's **\$10.6 billion** GF/GP budget for FY 2020-21.



Legislature Funding History

Funding for the Legislature has grown by **58%** since FY 2006-07, driven mainly by economics adjustments, prefunding retiree healthcare, and the creation of a State Capitol Historic Site renovation and maintenance fund. Reduction in FY 2019-20 is due to removal of one-time Senate parking garage purchase for \$18.0 million.



Appropriation Areas

Legislature Appropriation Areas

Legislature: House of Representatives operations, House Fiscal Agency, House Automated Data Processing, Senate operations, Senate Fiscal Agency, and Senate Automated Data Processing

Legislative Council: Maintains bill drafting, research, and other services; worker's compensation; National Association Dues; Legislative Corrections Ombudsman; Michigan Veterans' Facility Ombudsman

Legislative Retirement System: Provides funding for the Michigan Legislative Retirement System, a single-employer, public employee, defined benefit retirement plan and post-employment healthcare plan governed by the State of Michigan and established by 1957 PA 261

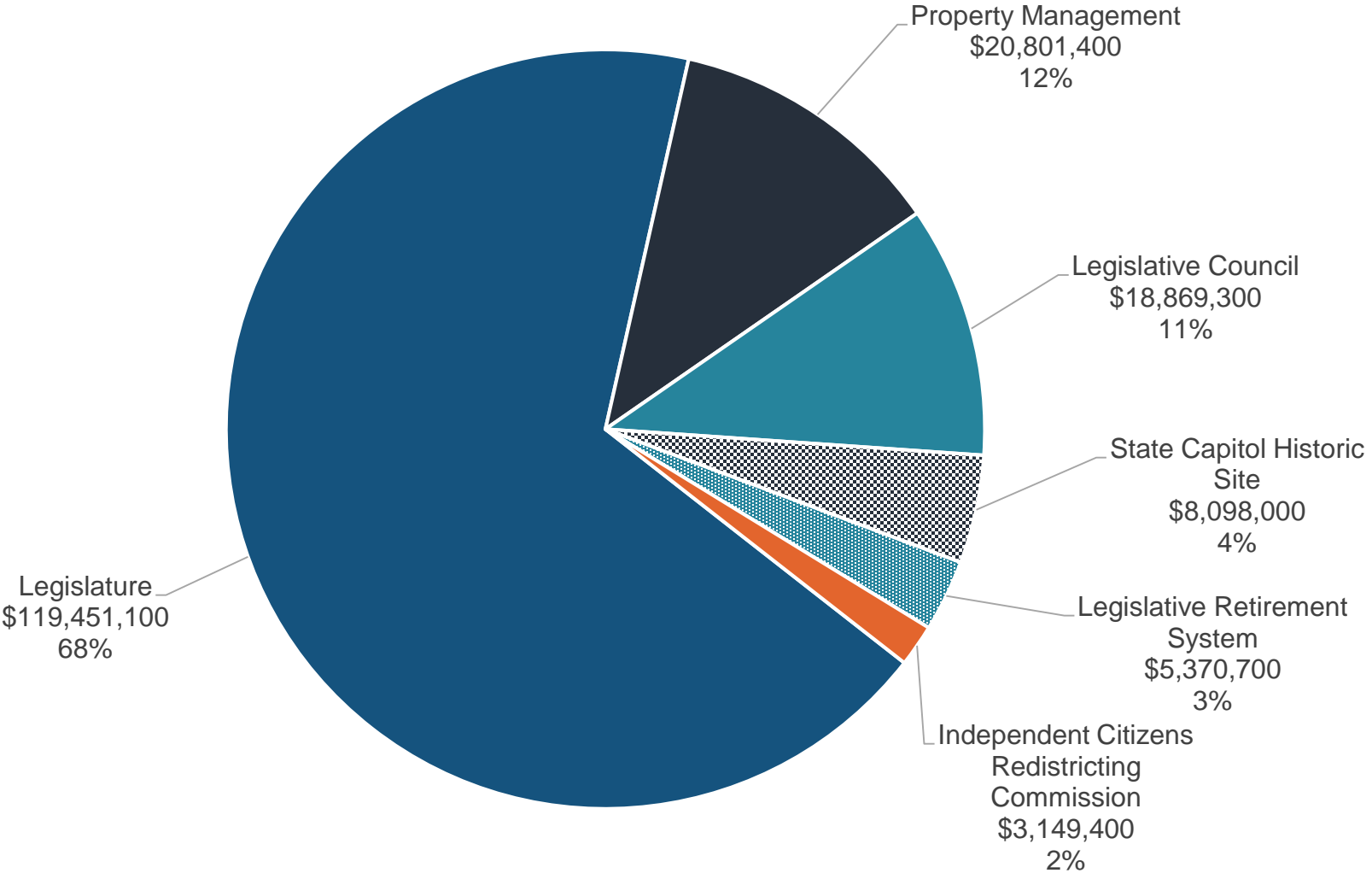
Property Management: Funding for lease costs, maintenance, utilities, janitorial services, supplies, taxes, and insurance of the Cora Anderson Building (House) and Binsfield Office Building (Senate)

State Capitol Historic Site: Management and operation of the Michigan State Capitol Historic Site; funds maintenance, repair, and restoration of the Michigan State Capitol Historic Site

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission: Funding to support salaries and administrative costs associated with commission's duty in drawing U.S. Congressional and Michigan State Senate and House of Representatives district lines. Voters amended the Constitution in November 2018.

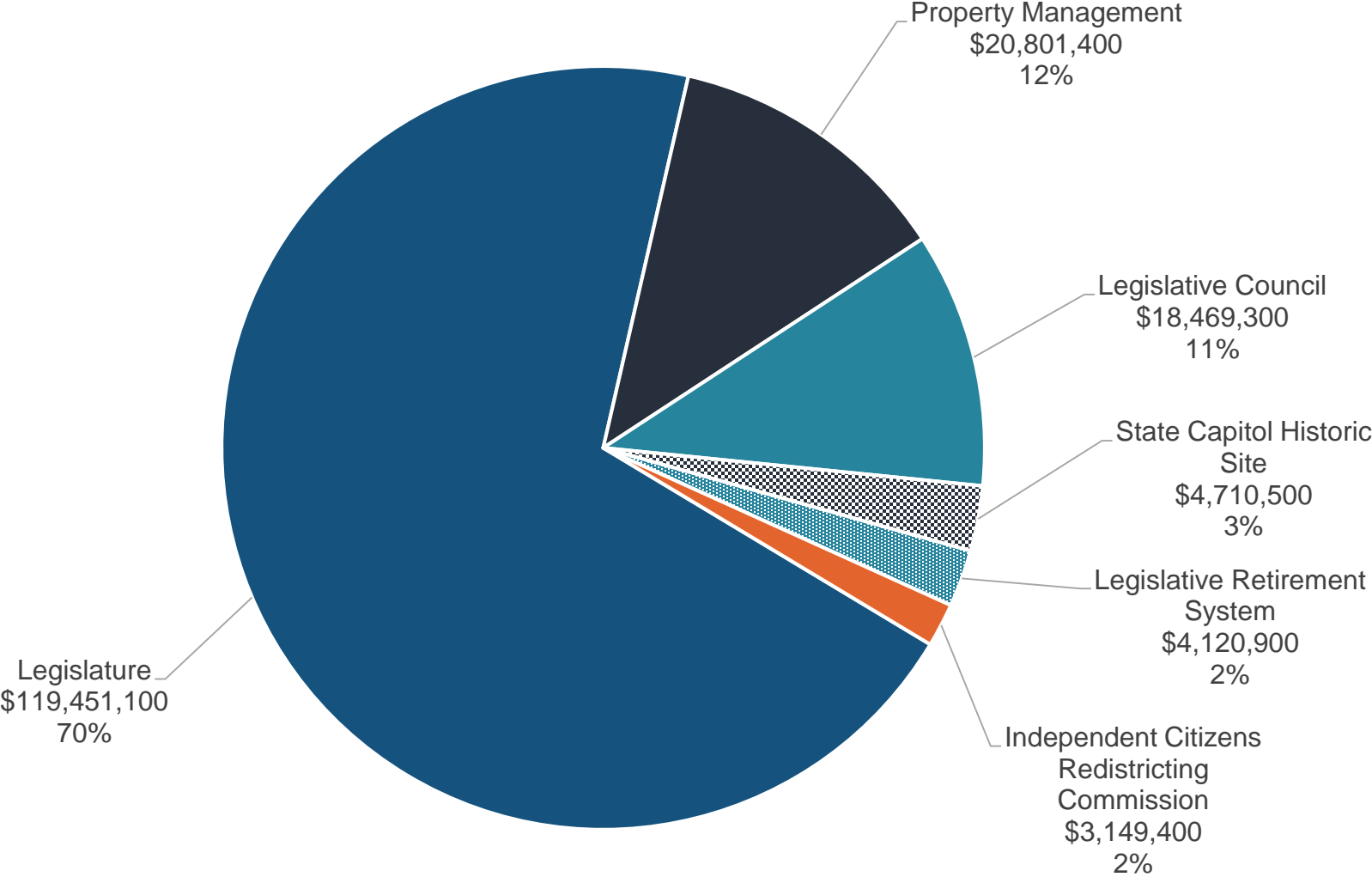
FY 2020-21 Gross Appropriations

Approximately **68%** of the **\$175.7 million** Legislature budget supports staff and administration of the legislature, which is funded entirely from General Fund revenues.



FY 2020-21 GF/GP Appropriations

GF/GP funds (totaling \$170.7 million) fund the majority of all Legislative appropriation areas.



For more information about the Legislature budget:

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<http://www.house.mi.gov/hfa/GeneralGovernment.asp>

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