



### State Capitol News: Budget Work Begins

The one thing legislators must do each year is pass a budget. That has to be done before the state's new budget year (called a fiscal year) begins on July 1. To begin that process, the heads of the majority party in the House and Senate announce the total amount of money they will spend, called a budget target. After that total is announced, they divide it up between the seven state budget subcommittees. Those seven budget subcommittees will decide how much each program or service will get. You can see who serves on these committees below:

1. [Administration & Regulation](#)
2. [Agriculture & Natural Resources](#)
3. [Economic Development](#)
4. [Education](#)