

Oregon State Budget Authorities

The Constitution and state statutes provide direction on budget authority for the period when the Legislature is in session and during interim periods between sessions. The table below is a summarized version of the different authorities during session and the interim.

Budget Authority	Legislative Assembly	Emergency Board	Interim JWM	Executive Branch	Judicial/ Legislative Branch
Appropriate General Fund	Yes	No	No	No	No
Allocate General Fund	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Reduce General Fund	Yes	No	No	No	No
Allocate Other Funds	Yes	No	No	No	No
Establish expenditure limitation	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Increase expenditure limitation	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Reduce expenditure limitation	Yes	No	No	No	No
Rebalance budget within agencies	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Transfer budget/programs between agencies	Yes	No	No	No	No
Establish Nonlimited authority	Yes	No	No	No	No
Modify Nonlimited limitation	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Establish/modify positions/FTE	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Authorize bonds	Yes	No	No	No	No
Establish capital construction limitation	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Modify capital construction limitation	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Establish fees	Yes	No	No	No	No
Modify fees	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Approve federal grant application	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Reports - request or receive	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Enact legislation	Yes	No	No	No	No
Allot funds	No	No	No	Yes	No
Unschedule funds	By request	By request	By request	Yes	By request
Budget note	Yes	No	No	No	No
Budget direction or instruction	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Establish new programs and statutory funds	Yes	No	No	No	No
Reappropriate funds	Yes	No	No	No	No