

**Subject** Office of Administrative Hearings deficiency funding

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## Summary

Under current law, the Office of Administrative Hearings is required to receive and hear complaints alleging violations of certain campaign practices laws, as well as complaints alleging that a unit of government is not in compliance with requirements of the data practices act. The volume of these complaints can vary each year. Funding to support the office's work on these matters comes, in part, from filing fees paid by complainants and an authority that applies in certain circumstances to assess costs against parties to the complaint. Often, amounts collected do not fully cover the OAH's overall costs to hear and administer complaints on these topics.

This bill provides an appropriation in fiscal year 2023 to cover the balance of expenses incurred by the office in the current biennium for its work on these complaints.