

# OHIO'S STATE BUDGET AFFECTS YOU!

## Here's How the State Budget is Made

The budget has money for schools, senior services, parks, roads, colleges, police & fire, housing, transportation, libraries, and much more

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Governor introduces a proposed budget  
February 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ohio House of Representatives receives bill and refers to House Finance Committee  
February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Finance Committee refers bill to sub-committees for review of specific proposals  
February 17<sup>th</sup>

House Finance Committee amends bill and recommends to entire House  
April 21<sup>st</sup>

Final amendments are made on the House Floor. House votes and passes bill  
April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Ohio Senate receives bill and refers to Senate Finance committee  
April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Finance Committee refers bill to sub-committees for review. This is a great time to testify  
April 27<sup>th</sup>

Senate Finance Committee votes and recommends bill to entire Senate  
May 14<sup>th</sup>

Senate votes and passes bill  
June 10<sup>th</sup>

House and Senate appoint Reconciliation Committee  
June 15<sup>th</sup>

Reconciled budget bill sent to House and Senate for final vote. No changes will be made  
June 25<sup>th</sup>

Governor signs the budget bill. May issue line-item Vetoes.  
June 30<sup>th</sup>

Sub-committees will look at pieces of the budget more closely. Interested party testimony is invited.

The proposed budget has likely changed substantially - Proposals not included at this point may still re-emerge.

By law, the budget has to be balanced and complete by this day.

This Committee's job is to put the House and Senate versions of the bill together to "reconcile" the differences.

Just like in the House, the Senate will likely make many changes to the bill.

## Get Involved!

Want to see a budget that invests in your priorities? Public testimony is heard throughout the process at the Statehouse. You can make your voice heard in the media, and you can talk to your representatives directly.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [www.OneOhioNow.org](http://www.OneOhioNow.org)

\* All dates are approximate for the fiscal year 2016-17 budget, created in 2015.