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2022 Regular Legislative Session Fiscal Note Highlights

The Legislative Budget Office received **850 fiscal note requests**, resulting in **1,875 agency assignments** during the 2022 regular legislative session.

Fiscal Note Requests

Completed Inactivated Incomplete 568 252 30

Agency Assignments

Completed	Inactivated	Incomplete
1,140	648	87

Fiscal Notes Completed by Due Date

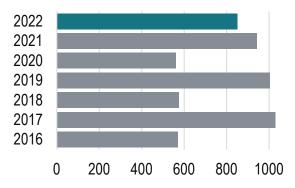
2022	5 Year Average	
51%	44%	

Fiscal notes completed by the due date only includes completed fiscal notes – incomplete and inactive notes are not included in this calculation. The fiscal note due date is set by the requester when the fiscal note request is made and can be changed after the fiscal note is assigned. Many factors impact a fiscal note's timeliness, including the volume of requests, the complexity of the bill, number of agencies assigned, and availability of data.

Days to Complete a Fiscal Note

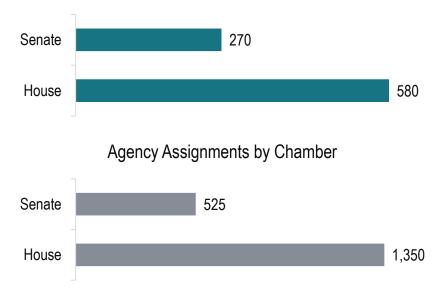
2022 Average 2022 Median 13 11 The days to complete a fiscal note calculation only includes completed fiscal notes, and excludes inactivated requests, incomplete requests, and autogenerated fiscal notes created for companion bills.

Session Fiscal Note Requests

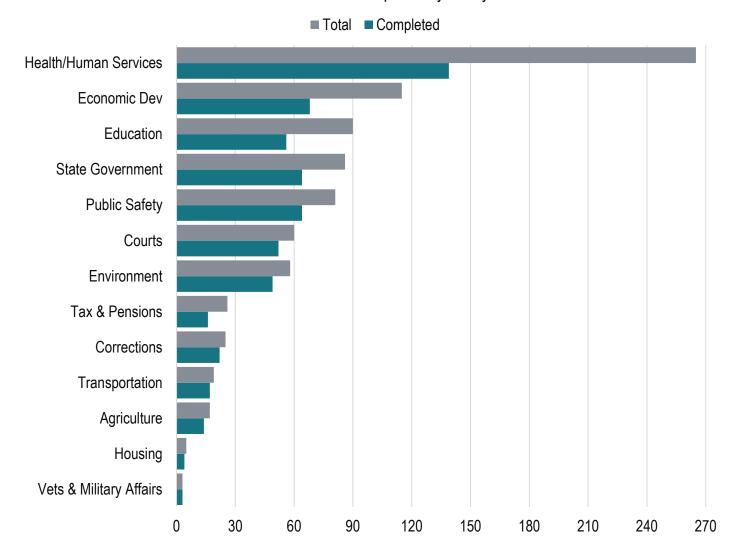


The volume of fiscal note requests during the 2022 session was higher than in previous non-operating budget sessions (even numbered years) – up nearly 50 percent over the average of the past three non-operating budget sessions.

Fiscal Note Requests by Chamber



Session Fiscal Note Requests by Policy Area



Policy areas are groupings of agencies as defined by the Legislative Budget Office (LBO). The health and human services policy area made up 31% of all requests and 24% of all completions. Economic Development made up 14% of all requests and 12% of all completions. Education made up 11% of all requests and 10% of all completions.

The Legislative Budget Office (LBO) is a nonpartisan office within the legislative branch of the Minnesota state government. The LBO is charged with objectively evaluating proposed legislation to assess the potential impact to the state budget. The products of this work are known as fiscal notes. State agencies provide the data estimating the proposed legislation's impact for a fiscal note. LBO staff review this information to assess accuracy, reasonableness, and compliance with fiscal note policies and standards prior to submission to the legislature.

The data in this report was pulled from the Fiscal Note Tracking System. Data were limited to only fiscal notes that were requested while the legislature was actively meeting in regular session and excludes fiscal notes requested during special sessions or interim periods. The 2022 regular legislative session ran from January 31 through May 23, 2022.

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