

Department of Public Service

The Executive Budget recommends (analysis as of **February 4, 2025**)

- A FY 2025-26 workforce of **628, is an increase of 50** from the 2024-25 Budget.
- The Department of Public Service (DPS) anticipates the loss of 70 positions through attrition and expects 120 new fills.

The following chart identifies estimated FTEs level by program:

0	FY 2025 Est. FTEs 3/31/25	FY 2026 Est. FTEs 3/31/26	FTE Change
Administration	65	68	0
Regulation of Utilities	463	504	41
Renewable Energy and Electric Transmission Siting	50	56	6
Total:	578	628	50

- A State Operations All Funds appropriation of **\$149,292,000, is an increase of \$7,625,000** from the enacted appropriation for the previous FY.
- The total appropriation for **Personal Services is \$75,021,000, an increase of \$4,523,000** from the enacted appropriation for the previous FY.
- The agency employed an estimated **12** contract employees under consultant contracts in the previous FY at a cost of **\$730,000**. It is estimated that the number of consultant FTE contract employees will increase **in FY 2025-26 to 19** at cost of **\$1,955,000 (168%)**.
- **Budget Highlights**

The FY26 Executive Budget recommends appropriations of approximately \$155 million and recommends a staffing adjustment of 50 FTEs to bring the total amount of FTEs at DPS to 628. This change is designed to reflect an increased staffing need resulting from the Agency's continuously growing energy and climate-related workload. These additional FTEs would support necessary utility oversight, pipeline safety inspection, renewable energy project siting, and utility consumer protection programs for New Yorkers as the State continues to advance clean energy initiatives.