

Table 4.7
THE GOVERNORS: PROVISIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR TRANSITION

State or other jurisdiction	Legislation pertaining to gubernatorial transition	Appropriation available to gov-elect	Provision for:					
			Gov-elect's participation in state budget for coming fiscal year	Gov-elect to hire staff to assist during transition	State personnel to be made available to assist gov-elect	Office space in buildings to be made available to gov-elect	Acquainting gov-elect staff with office procedures and routing office functions	Transfer of information (files records, etc.)
Alabama	...	...	●	(a)	●	●	●	...
Alaska	...	...	●	...	●	●	●	★
Arizona	...	...	●	...	●	●	●	●
Arkansas	★	\$ 60,000 (b)	●	●	●	●	●	●
California	★	450,000	★	★	★	★	●	●
Colorado	★	10,000	...	★	★	★	★	★
Connecticut	★	25,000	●	★	...	★	...	★
Delaware	★	(c)	(d)	(e)	●	★	...	●
Florida	...	300,000	★	★	●	★	●	●
Georgia	★	★	●	★	★	★	●	★
Hawaii	★	100,000	★(aa)	★	★	★	●	★
Idaho	★	15,000	★	★	★	★	★	★
Illinois	★	(f)	★	★	★	★	★	★
Indiana	★	40,000	★	★	★	★	★	★
Iowa	★(h)	10,000	★	★	●(i)	●	●	★(j)
Kansas	★	100,000	★	★	★	★	★	★
Kentucky	★	Unspecified	★	★	★	★	★	★
Louisiana	★	65,000	N.A.(q)	★	...	(l)	...	... (g)
Maine	★	5,000	★	★	★(k)	★	★	★
Maryland	★	●	...	★	★	★	★	★
Massachusetts	...	★	★	●	●	●	●	★
Michigan	★	1,000,000 (m)	●	★	●	●	★	●
Minnesota	★	50,000	★	★	★	★	★	★
Mississippi	★	60,000	★	★	★	★	★	★
Missouri	★	100,000	★	★	●	★	●	●(n)
Montana	★	50,000	★	★	★	★	★	★
Nebraska	...	●	★	●	●	●	●	●
Nevada	★	reasonable amount (aa)	★	...	●	●	●	★(h)
New Hampshire	★	75,000	★	★	★	★	★	...
New Jersey	★	Unspecified	★	★	★	★	★	★
New Mexico	★	(f)	★	★	●	★	●	●
New York	...	●	...	●	●	●	●	●
North Carolina	★	80,000 (o)	●(p)	★	★	★	●	●
North Dakota	●	10,000	(r)	(a)	●	...	●	★
Ohio	★	250,000 (z)	...	★	★	★	...	(y)
Oklahoma	★	40,000	★	★	...	●	...	...
Oregon	★	20,000	★	★	★	★	★	★
Pennsylvania	★	100,000	...	★	●	●	●	...
Rhode Island	...	●	★	●(a)	●	●	●	●
South Carolina	★	50,000 (s)	...	★	★	★	★	★
South Dakota	●	10,000 (t)	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tennessee	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Texas	...	...	★	★	●	●	●	●
Utah	...	Unspecified	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vermont	...	(c)	★(u)	●	●	●	...	(v)
Virginia	...	(c)	...	★(n)	★(n)	★(n)	★(n)	★(n)
Washington	★	★	●	★	●	★	●	●
West Virginia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wisconsin	★	Unspecified	★	★	★	★	★	★
Wyoming	...	(f)	...	...	●	●	●	●
American Samoa	...	Unspecified	★(w)	★	●	●	★	●
Guam*	★	(x)	...	...	★	★	★	...
No. Mariana Islands	★	Unspecified	...	★	★	★	★	★
Puerto Rico*	...	250,000 (o)	...	●	●	●	●	●
U.S. Virgin Islands*	...	(x)	...	(e)

See footnotes at end of table.

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Sources: The Council of State Governments' survey, January 2002 and state constitutions and statutes. Information noted by an * is from *The Book of the States*, 2000-2001.

Key:

- . . . — No provisions or procedures.
- ★ — Formal provisions or procedures.
- — No formal provisions, occurs informally.
- (a) Governor usually hires several incoming key staff during transition.
- (b) Made available in 1983.
- (c) Determined prior to each election by legislature.
- (d) Can participate in budget office hearings before taking office.
- (e) Subject to appropriations.
- (f) Legislature required to make appropriation; no dollar amount stated in legislation. In New Mexico, \$50,000 was made available in 1990. In Wyoming, \$12,500 for transition following 1994 election. In Illinois, \$200,000 for transition following 1990 election.
- (g) In Louisiana - Statute directs the records and associated historical records of any governor to be transferred to the custody of the state archivist.
- (h) Pertains only to funds.
- (i) Provided on irregular basis.
- (j) Arrangement for transfer of criminal files.
- (k) Budget personnel.
- (l) The \$65,000 may be used to rent space.
- (m) Made available in 1990.
- (n) Activity is traditional and routine, although there is no specific statutory provision.
- (o) Inaugural expenses are paid from this amount.
- (p) New governor can submit supplemental budget.
- (q) In Louisiana - the governor elect becomes governor during the preparation of the budget.
- (r) Responsible for submitting budget for coming biennium.
- (s) Governor's executive budget recommendation for FY 94-95 is to increase this appropriation to \$150,000 for transition purposes. This will require legislative approval in the 94-95 Appropriations Bill.
- (t) Made available for 1996.
- (u) Responsible for the preparation of the budget; staff made available.
- (v) Not transferred, but use may be authorized.
- (w) Can submit reprogramming or supplemental appropriation measure for current fiscal year.
- (x) Appropriations given upon the request of governor-elect.
- (y) By discretion of director of budget and management.
- (z) Made available in 1998.
- (aa) The Governor elect assumes office in the middle of an existing fiscal year. The budget for the coming fiscal year has already been approved as a biennium budget. However, the new Governor may propose amendments to the Legislature in the form of a supplemental budget.