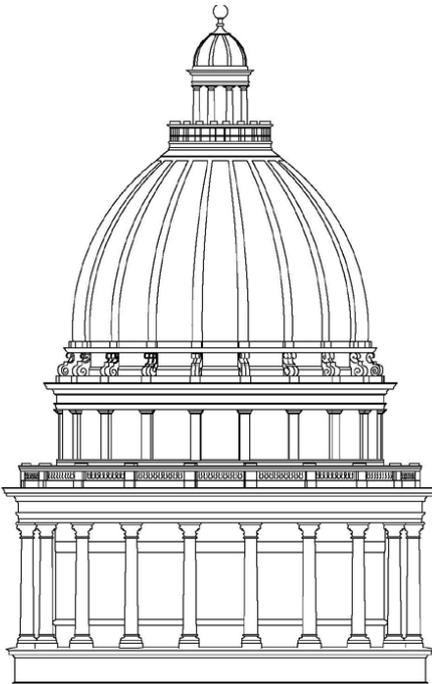


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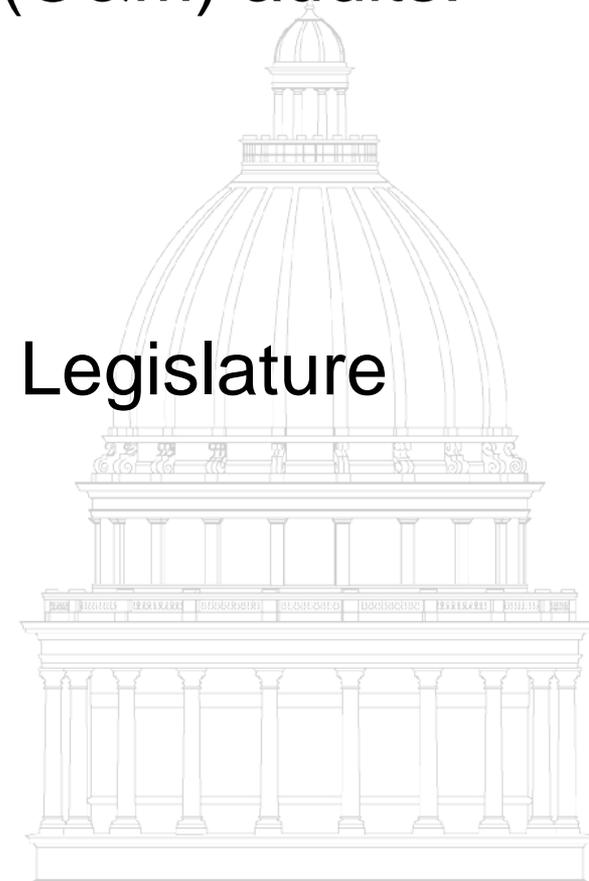
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# Background

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- Past Operations and Maintenance (O&M) audits:
  - September 2011
  - December 2014
  - June 2015
- 5 recommendations directed to the Legislature will be reported on today

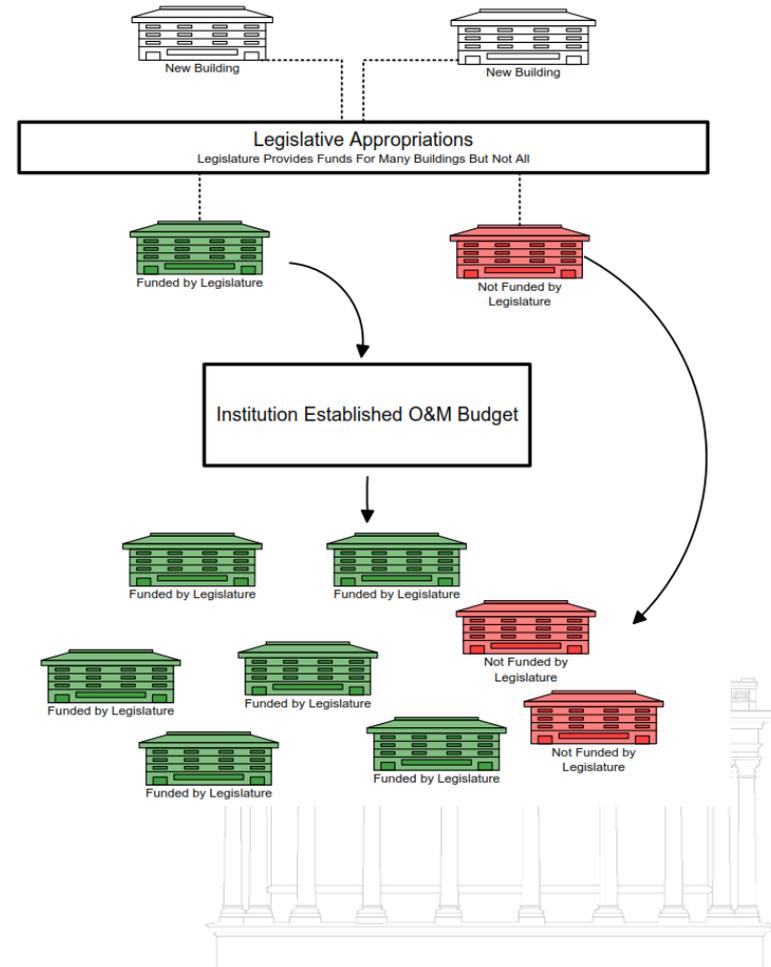


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# Recommendation 1 – In Process

- A funding plan should be required before construction and include
  - The amount of funds and
  - the source of funds
- Update: Funding now in place before construction, but source is not specified



**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**See Report 2014-E Pages 2-6**

# Recommendation 2 – Not Implemented

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- Board of Regents should maintain the O&M funding source for every institutional building
- Update:
  - Regent implementation has been inconsistent
  - The Legislature should consider requiring implementation

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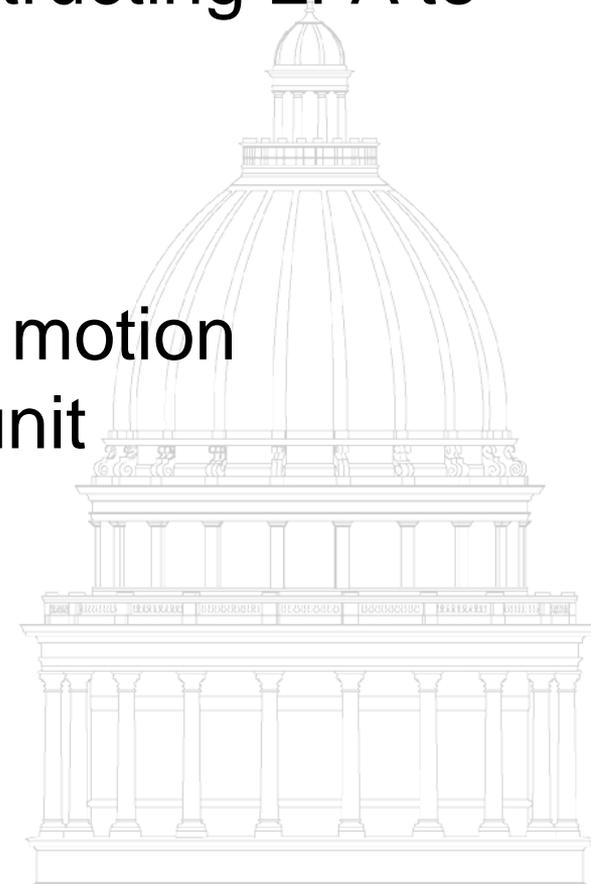
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# Recommendation 3 – Implemented

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- The Legislature should consider instructing LFA to track O&M appropriation unit
- Update:
  - Higher Education Subcommittee motion
  - LFA now tracking appropriation unit



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**See Report 2014-E Pages 8-9**

# Recommendation 4 – Partially Implemented

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- The Legislature consider the current O&M funding model in light of the State Building Board's (SBB) mandated study to determine if USHE buildings' O&M needs are being funded appropriately.
- Update:
  - The SBB issued report in September 2015
  - Additional Legislative consideration recommended

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**See Report 2015-04 Chapter II, Pages 13-21**

# Recommendation 5 – In Process

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- The Legislature review policy on use of grant-reimbursed research overhead funds, including adopting a specific funding formula.
- Update:
  - Other institutions use a specific funding formula

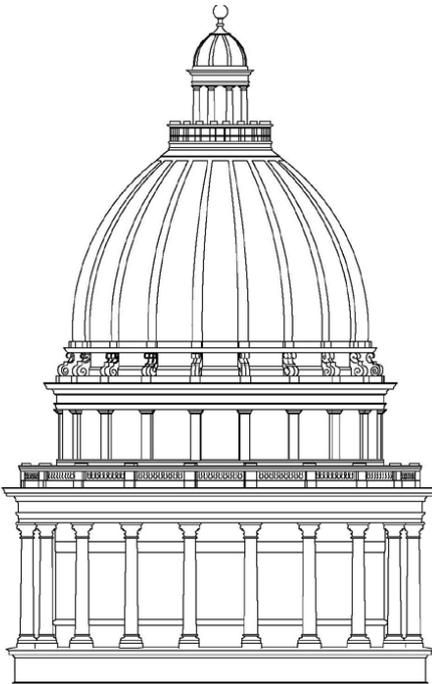
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