HB 460 -- Transition Period for Elected Officials

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This bill changes the requirements for the appropriation and payment of transition expenses for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, State Auditor, and Attorney General.

Currently, the transition period for these offices starts on November 15 following their election. The bill changes this date to the first day following the election of a non-incumbent to one of the offices. The Commissioner of the Office of Administration must request separate funding for establishing the transitional facilities required to be operational on the day following the election of a non-incumbent.

The maximum appropriation during the transition period for Governor-elect is increased from \$100,000 to \$200,000; for Lieutenant-Governor-elect from \$5,000 to \$10,000; and for Attorney General-elect, Secretary of State-elect, State Auditor-elect, and State Treasurer-elect from \$10,000 to \$25,000. Expenses incurred during the transition period may be paid after the end of that period.