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<u>State Office of Administrative Hearings</u>		VIII-1		VIII-1		
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<b><u>Board of Chiropractic Examiners</u></b>		VIII-4		VIII-4		
Contingent Revenue	VIII-6, Rider #3 Rider Packet, VIII-1					House makes \$114,308 in General Revenue for salaries and wages and 2.0 FTEs contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate directly provides non-contingent appropriations for the same items in like amounts.

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<u>Board of Dental Examiners</u>		VIII-6		VIII-6		
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<u>Board of Professional Geoscientists</u>		VIII-10		VIII-9		
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<u>Health Professions Council</u>		VIII-12		VIII-11		
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<u>Office of Injured Employee Counsel</u>		VIII-13		VIII-13		
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<b><u>Department of Insurance</u></b>	VIII-15		VIII-15			
A.1.1. Consumer Education and Outreach	\$ 7,456,054	\$ 7,459,054	\$ 7,356,054	\$ 7,359,054	\$ 200,000	House provides increased General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 36 funding for the Interagency Contract with the Office of Public Insurance Counsel of \$200,000 for the biennium for the purpose of consumer outreach.
C.1.1. Fire Protection	\$ 4,242,578	\$ 4,242,578	\$ 4,242,578	\$ 4,242,578	\$ -	<p>Senate provides \$200,000 for the biennium from the General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 5138 for the purpose of supporting fire safety and prevention programs at the office of the state fire marshal. (See also Senate Rider #24 below)</p> <p>House provides appropriations in Rider #24 of \$200,000 for the biennium from General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 5138 for the purpose of supporting fire safety and prevention programs at the office of the state fire marshal. (See also House Rider #24 below)</p>

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D.1.2. Dispute Resolution	\$ 15,796,382	\$ 13,696,382	\$ 15,796,382	\$ 13,696,382	\$ -	Senate provides \$2,100,000 in fiscal year 2012 from the General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 36 for medical fee disputes. (See also Senate Rider #25 below)
Consumer Information Report	VIII-21, Rider #12 Rider Packet, page VIII-2		VIII-20, Rider #12 Rider Packet, page VIII-2			House provides appropriations in Rider #25 of \$2,100,000 in fiscal year 2012 from General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 36 for medical fee disputes. (See also House Rider #25 below)
						House limits the report to insurers that write property and casualty insurance, including workers' compensation insurance.
						Senate requires the report to include all insurers that write a line of insurance in the state.

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Estimation of Cost Related to an Insurance Exchange	VIII-22, Rider #19 Rider Packet, page VIII-2		VIII-21, Rider #19 Rider Packet, page VIII-2			Senate does not include a contingency requirement and establishes a reporting deadline of 90 days after federal rules are finalized or December 31, 2012, whichever is earlier.
Fire Safety Cigarette's Penalties	VIII-24, Rider #24 Rider Packet, page VIII-2		VIII-23, Rider #24 Rider Packet, page VIII-2			House makes the rider contingent on enactment of HB 636 or similar legislation and establishes a reporting deadline of February 28, 2012.  House rider appropriates \$200,000 for the biennium from General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 5138 for the purpose of supporting fire safety and prevention programs at the office of the state fire marshal. See also Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders above.  Senate establishes legislative intent that the agency use \$200,000 for the biennium from General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 5138 for the purpose of supporting fire safety and prevention programs at the office of the state fire marshal and appropriates that amount above the line. See also C.1.1, Fire Protection above.

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Medical Fee Disputes	VIII-24, Rider #25 Rider Packet, page VIII-2		VIII-23, Rider #25 Rider Packet, page VIII-2			House rider appropriates \$2,100,000 in fiscal year 2012 from General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 36 for medical fee disputes. See also Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders above.  Senate establishes legislative intent that the agency use \$2,100,000 from General Revenue - Dedicated Fund 36 for medical fee disputes and appropriates that amount above the line. See also D.1.2, Dispute Resolution above.
Review of Mental Disorders	VIII-24, Rider #26 Rider Packet, page VIII-3					House adopts a rider to require the agency to conduct a study and submit a report on claims data for the treatment of mental disorders of children younger than 18 years of age.

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<b><u>Office of Public Insurance Counsel</u></b>	VIII-24		VIII-23			
A.1.1 Participate in Rate/Rule Hearings	\$ 841,418	\$ 841,418	\$ 941,418	\$ 941,418	\$ 200,000	Senate provides an additional \$200,000 in General Revenue for the agency to participate in rate and rule hearings.
B.1.1 Insurance Information	\$ 191,670	\$ 191,670	\$ 91,670	\$ 91,670	\$ 200,000	House provides an additional \$200,000 in Interagency Contract funding with the Texas Department of Insurance for the agency to conduct consumer outreach.

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<b><u>Board of Professional Land Surveying</u></b>	VIII-26		VIII-25			
A.1.1. Licensing and Education	\$ 316,266	\$ 316,266	\$ 317,566	\$ 317,566	\$ 2,600	Senate includes an additional \$2,600 in General Revenue for computers.

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<b><u>Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation</u></b>		VIII-27		VIII-26		
B.1.1. Conduct Inspections	\$6,398,301	\$6,294,361	\$6,318,301	\$6,294,361	\$ 80,000	House provides \$80,000 to continue funding for a Tow Truck Drop Fee study at 2010-11 levels. See also House Rider #13 below.
Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$ 60,000	House provides \$30,000 each year for ongoing Combative Sports Events. See also House Rider #14 below.
Capital Budget	VIII-29, Rider #2 Rider Packet, page VIII-4		VIII-28, Rider #2 Rider Packet, page VIII-4			Senate includes additional capital budget authority for the purchase of Information Technologies in the amount of \$191,868 in fiscal year 2012 and \$236,587 in fiscal year 2013.
Contingent Revenue	VIII-32, Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VIII-3					House makes \$955,419 in General Revenue for funded items and 4 FTEs contingent upon increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate. This requirement covers funds appropriated for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Increased costs of the Data Center Consolidation project.</li> </ul>

Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Motor Vehicle Towing Report			VIII-30, Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VIII-5			<p>b. 4 Investigator positions funded in 2010-11.</p> <p>c. Tow Truck drop fee study from fiscal year 2011.</p> <p>Senate provides non-contingent appropriations in the amount of \$875,419 for:</p> <p>a. Increased costs of the Data Center Consolidation project.</p> <p>b. 4 Investigator positions funded in 2010-11.</p> <p>Senate includes a new rider requiring the agency to conduct a study on fees charged for motor vehicle towing services, the feasibility and effects of the implementation of a fee schedule or establishment of a maximum fee, terms and timing of payment to incident management towing companies and evaluating any other aspect of the towing of motor vehicles.</p>
Combative Sports Regulation	VIII-32, Rider #14 Rider Packet, page VIII-5					House makes appropriations of \$30,000 in each fiscal year in General Revenue contingent upon CPA certification for each Combative Sports Event held in the state of Texas where gross receipts exceed \$2,000,000. See Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders above.



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<b><u>Texas Medical Board</u></b>	VIII-32		VIII-31			
<b>All Funds</b>	\$ 8,428,141	\$ 8,422,915	\$ 8,749,141	\$ 8,743,915	\$ 642,000	<b>Biennial Funding Differences Between House and Senate:</b> <b>Senate provides \$642,000 in General Revenue across multiple strategies to fund:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. \$191,000 and 3 additional FTEs for salaries for TMB staff; and</li> <li>b. \$451,000 and 5 FTES for salaries for TMB staff and professional fees and services.</li> </ul> <b>House provides 8 additional FTEs with funding for salaries from grants and additional appropriated receipts generated by the agency.</b>
A.1.1. Licensing	\$ 1,678,406	\$ 1,677,026	\$ 1,773,906	\$ 1,772,526	\$ 191,000	Senate includes \$191,000 in General Revenue for salaries.
B.1.1. Enforcement	\$ 6,749,735	\$ 6,745,889	\$ 6,975,235	\$ 6,971,389	\$ 451,000	Senate includes \$451,000 in General Revenue for salaries and professional fees and services.

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Contingent Revenue	VIII-35, Rider #5 Rider Packet, VIII-7					House makes \$369,614 in General Revenue for Physician Health Program and 3.5 FTEs contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate provides non-contingent appropriations for the same items in like amounts.

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<b>Board of Nursing</b>	VIII-35		VIII-34			
<b>All Funds</b>	\$6,923,673	\$6,916,707	\$6,401,449	\$6,394,483	\$ 1,044,448	<b>Biennial Funding Differences Between House and Senate:</b> House provides \$1,044,448 in General Revenue across multiple strategies for 11 additional FTEs for Licensing, Enforcement and to provide funding for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) to establish a Tiered Prescriptive Authority program.
A.1.1. Licensing	\$2,673,388	\$2,666,423	\$2,471,779	\$2,464,813	\$ 403,219	House includes additional General Revenue for: a. \$403,219 for salary and wages for 4 FTEs. b. \$104,455 for 1 FTE to establish a Tiered Prescriptive Authority for APRNs. c. See also House Rider #4 below.  Senate provides a rider appropriation for \$104,455 and 1 FTE to establish a Tiered Prescriptive Authority for APRNs. See also Senate Rider #3 below.

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B.1.1. Adjudicate Violations	\$4,250,285	\$4,250,284	\$3,929,670	\$3,929,670	\$ 641,229	House includes additional General Revenue for: a. \$641,229 for salary and wages for 7 FTEs. See also House Rider #4 below.
Contingent Revenue	VIII-37, Rider #3 Rider Packet, Page VIII-8					House makes \$2,121,608 in General Revenue and 18 FTEs contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate directly provides non-contingent appropriations in the amount of \$1,077,160 in General Revenue for 7 FTEs to restore staffing to 2010-11 levels and increased litigation costs.
Contingent Appropriation for HB 915	VIII-38, Rider #4 Rider Packet, VIII-8		VIII-36, Rider #3 Rider Packet, VIII-8			Both Senate and House provide 1 FTE and \$104,455 to establish Tiered Prescriptive Authority for APRNs contingent on the enactment of legislation and the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate makes supplemental appropriations in a rider in strategy A.1.1, Licensing above.  House provides contingent appropriations in strategy A.1.1, Licensing above.

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<b><u>Optometry Board</u></b>	VIII-39		VIII-37			
All Funds	\$ 382,188	\$ 398,689	\$ 408,292	\$ 421,793	\$ 49,208	<b>Biennial Funding Differences Between House and Senate:</b> <b>Senate provides \$49,208 in General Revenue across multiple strategies to fund:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. \$24,000 for 0.5 FTE, Administrative Assistant</li> <li>b. \$10,000 for merit increases</li> <li>c. \$5,000 for travel expenses</li> <li>d. \$4,200 for training reimbursements</li> <li>e. \$3,008 for software upgrades and office equipment</li> <li>f. \$3,000 for database programming costs</li> </ol>
A.1.1. Licensure and Enforcement	\$ 262,636	\$ 278,537	\$ 285,485	\$ 298,386	\$ 42,698	<b>Senate Includes:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. \$30,302 for salaries and wages for 0.5 FTE and merit increases</li> <li>b. \$4,500 for travel expenses</li> <li>c. \$4,896 for training reimbursements, software upgrades, and office equipment</li> <li>d. \$3,000 for database programming costs</li> </ol>

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A.1.3. Indirect Administration	\$ 119,552	\$ 120,152	\$ 122,807	\$ 123,407	\$ 6,510	Senate Includes: a. \$3,698 for salaries and wages and merit increases b. \$500 for travel expenses c. \$2,312 for training reimbursements, software upgrades, and office equipment
Contingent Revenue	VIII-40, Rider #3 Rider Packet, VIII-10					House makes \$12,000 in General Revenue for salaries and wages and 0.5 FTEs in 2013 contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate directly provides non-contingent appropriations for the same items in like amounts.

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<b><u>Board of Pharmacy</u></b>	VIII-40		VIII-38			
<b>All Funds</b>	\$ 4,987,882	\$ 4,913,271	\$ 4,872,488	\$ 4,777,738	\$ 250,927	<b>Biennial Funding Differences Between House and Senate:</b>  <b>House provides \$668,606 in General Revenue across multiple strategies for 6 additional FTEs and related costs.</b>  <b>Senate provides \$417,679 in General Revenue across multiple strategies for the partial restoration of reductions made from 2010-11 base levels.</b>
A.1.1. Licensing	\$ 769,282	\$ 770,709	\$ 776,852	\$ 772,483	\$ 9,344	Senate includes \$9,344 in General Revenue for the replacement of computer hardware and software and funding for training.
B.1.1. Enforcement	\$ 3,359,638	\$ 3,287,541	\$ 3,250,143	\$ 3,151,687	\$ 245,349	House includes \$570,581 in General Revenue for salaries, travel, vehicles, and capital budget items for 5.0 FTEs.  Senate includes \$325,232 in General Revenue for the testing of compounded products, travel, and the replacement of computer hardware and software.

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B.1.2. Peer Assistance	\$ 179,199	\$ 179,199	\$ 191,920	\$ 191,920	\$ 25,442	Senate includes \$25,442 in General Revenue for the Peer Assistance Program.
C.1.1. Licensing Indirect Administration	\$ 95,573	\$ 94,632	\$ 91,965	\$ 92,637	\$ 5,603	House includes \$13,722 for salary, consumable supplies, and capital budget items for 0.2 FTEs.  Senate includes \$8,119 in General Revenue for travel and capital budget items.
C.1.2 Enforcement Indirect Administration	\$ 584,190	\$ 581,190	\$ 561,608	\$ 569,011	\$ 34,761	House includes \$84,303 for salary, consumable supplies, and capital budget items for 0.8 FTEs.  Senate includes \$49,542 in General Revenue for travel and capital budget items.
Contingent Revenue	VIII-42, Rider 3 Rider Packet, VIII-11		VIII-40, Rider 3 Rider Packet, VIII-11			House makes \$668,606 in General Revenue and authority for 6 FTEs contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate makes \$417,679 in General Revenue contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.



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<u>Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners</u>		VIII-43		VIII-40		
Contingent Revenue		VIII-45, Rider #2 Rider Packet, VIII-12				House makes \$144,984 in General Revenue for salaries and wages and 2.0 FTEs contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate directly provides non-contingent appropriations for the same items in like amounts.

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<b><u>Board of Plumbing Examiners</u></b>		VIII-45		VIII-42		
Contingent Appropriations		VIII-47, Rider #3 Rider Packet, VIII-13				House makes \$292,800 in General Revenue and 2.0 FTEs in 2012-13 contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate directly provides non-contingent appropriations for the same items in like amounts.

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<b><u>Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners</u></b>		VIII-47		VIII-44		
Contingent Revenue	VIII-48, Rider #2 Rider Packet, VIII-14					House makes \$18,228 in General Revenue for board member travel and retirement funds contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate directly provides non-contingent appropriations for the same items in like amounts.

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<u>Board of Examiners of Psychologists</u>		VIII-49		VIII-45		
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<b><u>Racing Commission</u></b>		VIII-50		VIII-47		
A.2.1 Texas Bred Incentive Program.	VIII-51, Strategy Description: Allocate Texas Bred Funds to Breed Registries. Nontransferable.		VIII-48, Strategy Description: Allocate TX Bred Funds. Estimated and Nontransferable.			Senate edited Strategy A.2.1, Texas Bred Incentive Program, to add "Estimated" which would allow the agency to increase appropriations for pass through funding to the breed registries from additional revenue as it becomes available.
	See also Article XI House, page XI-7					

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<u>Real Estate Commission</u>		VIII-55		VIII-51		
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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
<b><u>State Securities Board</u></b>						
Capital Budget		VIII-58		VIII-54		Senate includes a capital budget rider for the purchase of Information Technologies.
Contingent Revenue		VIII-59, Rider #4 Rider Packet, VIII-15				House makes \$790,362 in General Revenue and 5.0 FTEs in 2012-13 contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate directly provides non-contingent appropriations for the same items in like amounts.

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<u>Public Utility Commission</u>		VIII-60		VIII-57		
<u>Total Agency Funding</u>						
All Funds Total	\$ 93,074,727	\$ 96,798,922	\$ 14,956,761	\$ 13,777,063	\$ 161,139,825	<p><b>Biennial Funding Differences Between House and Senate:</b></p> <p>House provides \$164,675,045 in General Revenue Dedicated funding for the Low Income Discount Program and an increase of 7.9 FTEs to reflect the FTEs the agency feels it can support with the funding provided by the bill.</p> <p>Senate provides \$3,535,220 in All Funds across multiple strategies to fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. \$2,057,981 in General Revenue funding and authority for 17.6 FTEs for salaries to maintain 2010-11 staffing levels.</li> <li>b. \$1,477,239 in General Revenue Dedicated funding and authority for 7.9 FTEs for Customer Education, Electric Market Oversight Contracts and Administration.</li> </ul>



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<b>General Revenue Fund</b>	\$ 9,236,405	\$ 9,236,403	\$ 4,993,311	\$ 4,993,309	\$ 8,486,188	<b>c. MOF swap of \$10,544,169 in General Revenue funding for General Revenue Dedicated Funding that is eligible to be used for agency operations related to Chapter 39 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act.</b>
<b>General Revenue Dedicated System Benefit Fund</b>	\$ 82,101,428	\$ 87,005,322	\$ 8,226,556	\$ 8,226,557	\$ 152,653,637	
A.1.1. Market Competition	\$ 4,090,852	\$ 3,631,383	\$ 4,623,742	\$ 4,164,273	\$ 1,065,780	Senate provides \$1,065,780 in all funds for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. \$581,400 in General Revenue for salaries to maintain 2010-11 staffing levels.</li> <li>b. \$484,380 in General Revenue Dedicated funding for Electric Market Oversight Contracts and Administration.</li> <li>c. MOF swap of \$4,373,414 in General Revenue funding for General Revenue Dedicated funding.</li> </ul>
A.2.1. Utility Regulation	\$ 4,050,465	\$ 3,330,237	\$ 4,379,193	\$ 3,658,965	\$ 657,456	Senate provides \$657,456 in all funds for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. \$331,310 in General Revenue for salaries to maintain 2010-11 staffing levels.</li> </ul>

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
A.3.1. Investigation and Enforcement	\$ 1,583,258	\$ 1,583,257	\$ 1,830,689	\$ 1,830,689	\$ 494,863	<p>b. \$326,146 in General Revenue Dedicated funding for Electric Market Oversight Contracts and Administration.</p> <p>c. MOF swap of \$2,221,383 in General Revenue funding for General Revenue Dedicated funding.</p> <p>Senate provides \$494,863 in all funds for:</p> <p>a. \$331,311 in General Revenue for salaries to maintain 2010-11 staffing levels.</p> <p>b. \$163,552 in General Revenue Dedicated funding for Electric Market Oversight Contracts and Administration.</p> <p>c. MOF swap of \$2,521,336 in General Revenue funding for General Revenue Dedicated funding.</p>
B.1.1. Provide Facts About Changes	\$ 508,480	\$ 508,479	\$ 653,930	\$ 653,930	\$ 290,901	<p>Senate provides \$290,901 in all funds for:</p> <p>a. \$232,560 in General Revenue for salaries to maintain 2010-11 staffing levels.</p> <p>b. \$58,341 in General Revenue Dedicated funding for Electric Market Oversight Contracts and Administration.</p> <p>c. MOF swap of \$648,882 in General Revenue funding for General Revenue Dedicated funding.</p>

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
B.2.1. Assist Customers	\$ 633,335	\$ 633,334	\$ 784,525	\$ 784,524	\$ 302,380	Senate provides \$302,380 in all funds for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. \$232,560 in General Revenue for salaries to maintain 2010-11 staffing levels.</li> <li>b. \$69,820 in General Revenue Dedicated funding for Electric Market Oversight Contracts and Administration.</li> <li>c. MOF swap of \$779,154 in General Revenue funding for General Revenue Dedicated funding.</li> </ul>
C.1.1. Energy Assistance	\$ 79,885,575	\$ 84,789,470	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 164,675,045	House provides \$164,675,045 in General Revenue Dedicated funding for the Low Income Discount Program.
C.1.2. Customer Education	\$ 562,500	\$ 562,500	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000	\$ 375,000	Senate provides \$375,000 in General Revenue Dedicated funding for Customer Education.
D.1.1. Central Administration	\$ 1,172,508	\$ 1,172,508	\$ 1,288,788	\$ 1,288,788	\$ 232,560	Senate provides \$232,560 in General Revenue Funding to maintain 2010-11 staffing levels.
D.1.2. Information Resources	\$ 480,105	\$ 480,105	\$ 538,245	\$ 538,245	\$ 116,280	Senate provides \$116,280 in General Revenue funding to maintain 2010-11 staffing levels.

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Allocation of System Benefit Account	VIII-63, Rider #8 Rider Packet, VIII-17		VIII-60, Rider #8 Rider Packet, VIII-17			House rider includes General Revenue Dedicated funding for the Low Income Discount program discussed above.  Senate rider includes General Revenue Dedicated funding for Electric Market Oversight Contracts, Administration, Customer Education and MOF swap discussed above.
Low Income Discount	VIII-63, Rider #9 Rider Packet, VIII-17					House includes a rider specifying how Low Income Discount funds are to be spent.
Contingency Rider: Power to Choose Website	VIII-63, Rider #10 Rider Packet, VIII-17					House includes a contingency rider for SB 1219 allowing the PUC to allocate up to \$150,000 for the re-design of the Power to Choose website.

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
<u>Office of Public Utility Counsel</u>		VIII-64		VIII-60		
No Issues						

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
<b><u>Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners</u></b>	VIII-65		VIII-62			
<b>All Funds</b>	\$ 714,720	\$ 644,720	\$ 741,464	\$ 741,465	\$ 123,489	<p><b>Biennial Funding Differences Between House and Senate:</b></p> <p>House provides \$70,000 in General Revenue for the cost of settling Arnet vs. Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (TSBVME).</p> <p>Senate provides \$193,489 in General Revenue across multiple strategies to fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. \$71,368 in General Revenue for travel.</li> <li>b. \$75,921 in General Revenue and authority for 1 FTE, Investigator.</li> <li>c. \$46,200 in General Revenue and authority for 1 FTE, Administrative Assistant.</li> </ul>

Agency/Item	House		Senate		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
A.2.1. Complaints and Action	\$ 618,605	\$ 548,605	\$ 622,249	\$ 622,250	\$ 77,289	House includes \$70,000 in General Revenue for the settlement of Arnet vs. TSBVME.  Senate includes \$147,289 in General Revenue for travel and 1 FTE, Investigator.
B.1.1. Licensing Indirect Administration	\$ 23,626	\$ 23,626	\$ 29,401	\$ 29,401	\$ 11,550	Senate includes \$11,550 in General Revenue and 0.2 FTEs (Administrative Assistant).
B.1.2 Complaints and Action Indirect Administration	\$ 72,489	\$ 72,489	\$ 89,814	\$ 89,814	\$ 34,650	Senate includes \$34,650 in General Revenue and 0.8 FTEs (Administrative Assistant).
Contingent Revenue	VIII-67, Rider #2 Rider Packet, VIII-19					House makes \$90,000 in General Revenue contingent upon the agency increasing fees by a like amount above estimated revenues included in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate.  Senate directly provides non-contingent appropriations in the amount of \$20,000 in General Revenue to prepare State Office of Administrative Hearings cases.

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
<u>Special Provisions Relating to All Regulatory Agencies</u>		VIII-68		VIII-65		
No Issues						