

Issue Docket

Conference Committee on Senate Bill 1

2018-19 General Appropriations Bill

Article VIII - Regulatory

As of 5/20/2017

504 TEXAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-7	VIII-7		
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	55.0	55.0	0.0	House reduces FTEs by 2.0 Administrative Assistant FTEs and 1.0 Information Specialist FTE. Senate reduces FTEs by 2.0 Administrative Assistant FTEs and 1.0 Investigator FTE.
A.1.1 COMPLAINT RESOLUTION	\$ 5,568,656	\$ 5,518,656	\$ 50,000	Senate increases Information Technology project funding by \$50,000 in General Revenue, including Pal Alto IT firewall, server licenses, remote support software, dashboard reporting module, Amazon backup and Microsoft Office 365. House provides \$65,151 in Economic Stabilization Funds for Information Technology out of the \$50,000,000 appropriation to the Department of Information Resources in Article IX, Section 17.13 for Statewide Information Technology & Cybersecurity Initiatives.
A.1.2 PEER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	\$ 263,856	\$ 248,500	\$ 15,356	Senate increases Peer Assistance program by \$15,356 in General Revenue for third-party vendor contract costs.
See also Article IX See also Article XI		Page IX-84 Page XI-14		Appropriations for Information Technology.

364 HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-12	VIII-12		
A.1.1 AGENCY COORDINATION AND SUPPORT	\$ 2,166,460	\$ 2,129,306	\$ 37,154	<p>Agency 2016-17 total is \$1,397,778 in Interagency Contracts for the operation of the shared regulatory database and \$202,930 in capital budget authority for data center services.</p> <p>Senate provides \$1,512,780 in Interagency Contracts and \$276,000 in capital budget authority for the same purpose. Increase in capital budget authority is offset by savings in the operation and maintenance of database under the new vendor.</p> <p>House provides \$1,475,626 in Interagency Contracts and \$165,776 in capital budget authority for the same purpose. House reduces \$37,154 in Interagency Contract funding for the biennium.</p>

454 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	VIII-16 1,379.0	VIII-16 1,359.7	19.3	Senate increases 4.0 FTEs for workers' compensation fraud. House reduces: a. 1.0 FTE for regulatory policy. b. 14.3 FTEs for administrative support.
		1,363.7		
A.2.4 WORKERS COMPENSATION FRAUD	\$ 1,548,442	\$ 872,616	\$ 675,826	Senate increases \$675,826 in GR-D TDI Operating Fund 36 for 4.0 FTEs for workers' compensation fraud in cooperation with the Travis County District Attorney's Office.
A.3.1 PROCESS RATES, FORMS & LICENSES	\$ 22,122,106	\$ 22,005,016	\$ 117,090	House reduces \$117,090 in GR-Insurance Maintenance Tax and GR-D TDI Operating Fund 36 for 1.0 FTE for regulatory policy.
E.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 20,396,440	\$ 19,101,364	\$ 1,295,076	House reduces \$1,295,076 in GR-Insurance Maintenance Tax and GR-D TDI Operating Fund 36 for 14.3 FTEs for administrative support.
E.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 25,316,444	\$ 25,036,220	\$ 280,224	Senate increases \$280,224 in GR-Insurance Maintenance Tax and capital budget authority for cybersecurity. House provides \$280,224 in Economic Stabilization Funds for Cybersecurity out of the \$50,000,000 appropriation to the Department of Information Resources in Article IX, Section 17.13 for Statewide Information Technology & Cybersecurity Initiatives.
Three-Share Premium Assistance Programs	VIII-21, Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VIII-1			Senate requires the agency to spend any unexpended and unobligated balances that are appropriated for the Three-Share program to the extent necessary to maintain the agency's approved enrollment levels for that biennium.
Workers' Compensation Fraud Prosecution	VIII-23, Rider #20 Rider Packet, page VIII-2			Senate requires the use of funds for the purpose of workers' compensation fraud prosecution in cooperation with the Travis County District Attorney's Office.

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See also Article IX		Page IX-86		Appropriation for cybersecurity initiatives.
See also Article XI		Page XI-14		

359 OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSURANCE COUNSEL

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-23	VIII-23		
A.1.1 PARTICIPATE IN RATE/RULE HEARINGS	\$ 1,773,864	\$ 1,702,909	\$ 70,955	House reduces \$70,955 in General Revenue (GR) for professional services of actuaries who provide expert testimony at insurance rate proceedings included in the four percent reduction. In 2018-19, House includes a total of \$136,214 in GR for professional services. Senate includes a total of \$207,169 in GR for this purpose.

464 BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYING

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-25	VIII-25		
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	6.0	5.5	0.5	
A.1.1 LICENSING AND EDUCATION	\$ 781,665	\$ 724,065	\$ 57,600	Senate provides an increase of \$57,600 in General Revenue and authority for an additional 0.5 FTE to assist with enforcement data entry.
See also Article XI		Page XI-14		

452 DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATION

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-26	VIII-26		
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	458.8	459.2	0.4	
A.1.3 EXAMINATIONS/CONTINUING EDUCATION	\$ 2,928,488	\$ 2,978,488	\$ 50,000	<p>a. Senate adds \$80,000 in General Revenue Dedicated Funds from the Private Beauty School Tuition Protection Account No. 108 (GR-D Fund 108) to refund students whose schools closed before completing instruction. The 2018-19 total is \$120,000 for this purpose. The annual split is: 2018: \$60,000 2019: \$60,000</p> <p>SENATE AS AMENDED PLUS \$30,000</p> <p>House adds \$140,000 in GR-D Fund 108 for the same purpose. The 2018-19 total is \$180,000 for this purpose. The annual split is: 2018: \$90,000 2019: \$90,000</p> <p>b. Senate adds \$20,000 in GR-D Funds from the Barber School Tuition Protection Account No. 5081 (GR-D Fund 5081) to refund students whose schools closed before completing instruction. The 2018-19 total is \$30,000 for this purpose. The annual split is: 2018: \$15,000 2019: \$15,000</p> <p>HOUSE</p> <p>House adds \$10,000 in GR-D Fund 5081 for the same purpose. The 2018-19 total is \$20,000 for this purpose. The annual split is: 2018: \$10,000 2019: \$10,000</p>
	\$ 2,948,488			

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C.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION/Article IX Sec. 17.13	\$ 7,298,287	\$ 7,341,621	\$ 43,334	Senate provides an increase of \$65,002 in General Revenue and 0.6 FTE for Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS) deployment to fund 60% of the agency's request. House provides an increase of \$108,336 in Economic Stabilization Funds and 1.0 FTE for CAPPS deployment in Article IX Sec. 17.13.
C.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 8,446,065	\$ 7,809,365	\$ 636,700	Senate provides an increase of \$581,700 to improve information technology cybersecurity and \$55,000 to increase physical security.
Judgements and Settlements	VIII-31, Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VIII-3	VIII-31, Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VIII-3		Senate rider includes language specifying that the Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA) would pay judgements and settlements resulting only from certain actions brought in federal court. House rider would have CPA pay judgements and settlements resulting from certain actions in both federal and state court.
See also Article IX		Page IX-86		Appropriations for Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS) deployment.
See also Article XI		Page XI-14		
Conference Committee Revisions and Additions				
Rider 8, Barber School Tuition Protection Account			ADOPTED	Amend Rider 8, Barber School Tuition Protection Account to provide unexpended balance authority for General Revenue Dedicated funds appropriated from the Barber School Tuition Protection Account No. 5081 (GR-D Fund 5081).
Rider 9, Beauty School Tuition Protection Account			ADOPTED	Amend Rider 9, Beauty School Tuition Protection Account to provide unexpended balance authority for General Revenue Dedicated funds appropriated from the Private Beauty School Tuition Protection Account No. 108 (GR-D Fund 108).

503 TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-31	VIII-31		
			SENATE	1) Funding for Microsoft Software Expansion and Renewals Senate includes an increase of \$61,000 in General Revenue for Microsoft software licenses.
			SENATE	2) Funding for Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Implementation Senate includes an increase of \$135,802 in General Revenue for VoIP implementation to fund 50% of the agency's request. House includes an increase of \$271,604 in Economic Stabilization Funds for VoIP implementation in Art IX, Sec.17.13.
			SENATE AS AMENDED LESS \$158,429 AND 2.0 FTEs	3) Funding for 4.0 FTEs for Agency Call Center Senate includes an increase of \$316,858 in General Revenue and an additional 4.0 FTEs for additional staff in the agency call center.
			SENATE AS AMENDED PLUS \$158,795 AND 2.5 FTEs	4) Administrative FTEs Senate includes a decrease of \$317,589 in General Revenue and reduction of 4.5 Administrative FTEs.
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	208.0	208.5	0.5	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
A.1.1 LICENSING/Article IX Sec. 17.13	\$ 5,436,295	\$ 5,642,979	\$ 206,684	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	\$ 5,530,288			
B.1.1 ENFORCEMENT/Article IX Sec. 17.13	\$ 15,898,774	\$ 16,007,297	\$ 108,523	a. Senate reduces \$200,136 in All Funds (reduction of \$266,095 in General Revenue offset by increase of \$65,959 in General Revenue Dedicated Public Assurance Account #5105) for expert physician review for standard of care case fees in the Enforcement Program (total 2018-19 funding for Professional Fees is \$3,223,095 in All Funds).
			SENATE	House reduces \$266,095 in General Revenue for expert physician review for standard of care case fees in the Enforcement Program (total 2018-19 funding for Professional Fees is \$3,157,136 in All Funds).

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				b. See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	\$ 15,963,576			
C.1.1 INDIRECT ADMIN/Article XI Sec. 17.13	\$ 1,434,120	\$ 1,342,803	\$ 91,317	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	\$ 1,386,592			
C.1.2 INDIRECT ADMIN/Article XI Sec. 17.13	\$ 3,146,046	\$ 2,931,730	\$ 214,316	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	\$ 3,035,145			
See also Article IX		Page IX-86		Appropriation for VoIP implementation.
See also Article XI		Page XI-14		

507 TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-35	VIII-34	HOUSE	1) Four Percent Reduction House includes a reduction of \$625,922 in General Revenue for professional fees for temporary staff to assist during peak application times.
			SENATE	2) Nursing Salary Increases Senate provides an increase of \$336,310 in General Revenue and \$18,550 in Appropriated Receipts for salary increases for Registered Nurses.
			HOUSE	3) Merit Increases Senate provides an increase of \$456,000 in General Revenue for salaries and wages across three strategies for merit increases for high performing staff across the agency. 2018 total: \$76,000 2019 total: \$380,000
Schedule of Exempt Positions	\$ 183,608	\$ 140,758	See Exempt Salary Issue Docket	Senate provides an increase in authority and funding each fiscal year for the Executive Director and moves the position from Group 3 to Group 5.
A.1.1 LICENSING	\$ 13,008,824	\$ 11,916,132	\$ 1,092,692 HOUSE	a. Senate provides an increase of \$85,700 in General Revenue in funding for the Executive Director salary increase.
			HOUSE	b. Senate provides an increase of \$130,786 in General Revenue to reimburse agency for current fees for services provided by Health Professions Council, which would allow an equal amount to be redirected to other expenses. House did not provide additional funds for this purpose in 2018-19. Agency would continue to pay current fees of \$130,786.

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			HOUSE	c. Senate provides an increase of \$50,000 in General Revenue to reimburse agency for current fees for internal audit services, which would allow an equal amount to be redirected to other expenses. Senate also provides an additional \$50,000 in General Revenue for expansion of internal audits. 2018-19 total is \$100,000 for internal audits. House did not provide additional funds for this purpose in 2018-19. Agency would continue to pay current fees of \$50,000 for internal audits.
		\$ 12,050,606		d. See Cross-Strategy Issues
A.2.1 ACCREDITATION	\$ 1,247,036	\$ 1,136,542	\$ 110,494	See Cross-Strategy Issues
		\$ 1,224,236		
B.1.1 ADJUDICATE VIOLATIONS	\$ 7,149,178	\$ 6,399,096	\$ 750,082	a. Senate provides an increase of \$200,000 in General Revenue for additional legal costs for expert testimony and required transcripts. The 18-19 total is \$350,000. House 2018-19 total is \$150,000.
			ADOPT INCREASE OF \$100,000	b. See Cross-Strategy Issues
		\$ 6,631,788		
B.1.2 PEER ASSISTANCE	\$ 2,010,916	\$ 1,747,116	\$ 263,800	Senate provides an increase of \$263,800 in General Revenue for the peer assistance program for third-party vendor contract costs.
Contingent Revenue	VIII-37, Rider #6 Rider Packet, page VIII-4 AS AMENDED TO CONFORM WITH FUNDING DECISIONS			Senate includes a contingent revenue rider that requires the agency to raise fees by \$2,345,356 over the Comptroller's 2018-19 Biennial Revenue Estimate amount to cover the additional appropriations made and the associated other direct and indirect costs.
See also Article XI		Page XI-14		

514 OPTOMETRY BOARD

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-38	VIII-38		
			HOUSE	1) Four Percent Reduction House includes a reduction in General Revenue of \$32,566, including \$9,599 for board meetings, \$6,500 for travel, \$3,000 for computer updates, and \$13,467 for other operating expenses included in the four percent reduction.
			SENATE	2) Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Phone System Senate provides an increase of \$1,000 in General Revenue. House provides an increase of \$1,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds in Article IX Sec. 17.13.
			SENATE	3) Employee Merit Salary Increases Senate provides an increase in General Revenue of \$12,000 for salary increases for four employees.
			See Exempt Salary Issue Docket	4) Executive Director Merit Salary Increase Senate provides an increase in General Revenue of \$10,000 to increase salary from \$79,704 to \$84,704. Increase is for funding only; does not include an increase in authority, which is currently \$89,229.
			SENATE	5) Travel Expenses Senate provides an increase in General Revenue of \$3,080 for travel expenses associated with board meetings and inspections.
			HOUSE	6) Directors and Officers Insurance Senate provides an increase in General Revenue of \$6,752.
A.1.1 LICENSURE AND ENFORCEMENT / Article IX Sec. 17.13	\$ 677,762	\$ 630,981	\$ 46,781	See Cross Strategy Issues.
	\$ 642,153			
A.1.3 INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION / Article IX Sec. 17.13	\$ 220,007	\$ 202,390	\$ 17,617	See Cross Strategy Issues.
	\$ 206,298			
See also Article IX		Page IX-86		Appropriation for VoIP.

515 BOARD OF PHARMACY

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Technical Adjustment	VIII-40 VIII-42, Rider #6 Rider Packet, page VIII-5	VIII-39 VIII-42, Rider #6 Rider Packet, page VIII-5	ADOPTED	In Rider 6, Informational Listing: Prescription Monitoring Program Funding, correct fee collection amounts based on updated percentage allocation to agencies participating in the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP), which include Texas Medical Board, Optometry Board, Texas Board of Dental Examiners, Texas Board of Nursing, Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners and Board of Pharmacy.
Cross-Strategy Issues			SENATE	1) Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Senate includes an increase of \$29,000 in General Revenue for VoIP implementation to fund 50% of agency request. House includes an increase of \$58,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds for VoIP implementation in Art. IX, Section 17.13.
			SENATE	2) Funding for Information Technology Projects Senate includes an increase of \$200,000 in General Revenue for Information Technology projects, including network infrastructure, laser printer, software, terminal server licenses, terminal servers, wireless firewall maintenance, security software, mobile inspection technology and PC replacements. House provides \$62,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds for Acquisition of Information Technology out of the \$50,000,000 appropriation to the Department of Information Resources in Article IX, Section 17.13 for Statewide Information Technology & Cybersecurity Initiatives.
			HOUSE	3) Funding for Executive Director Salary Increase Senate includes an increase of \$59,076 in General Revenue and authority for an Executive Director salary increase from \$130,462 to \$160,000. Senate maintains the Executive Director position in Group 4.
Schedule of Exempt Positions	160,000	130,462	See Exempt Salary Issue Docket	
A.1.1 LICENSING / Article IX, Sec. 17.13	\$ 2,013,010	\$ 1,972,455	\$ 40,555	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	\$ 1,993,338			

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B.1.1 ENFORCEMENT/ Article IX, Sec. 17.13	\$ 11,226,219	\$ 11,035,840	\$ 190,379	<p>a. Senate includes an increase of \$22,000 in General Revenue for a replacement vehicle. Senate 2018-19 total is \$88,000 in General Revenue for four replacement vehicles. House 2018-19 total is \$66,000 in General Revenue for three replacement vehicles.</p> <p>b. Senate includes an increase of \$597,204 in General Revenue for PMP funding. Senate includes a total of \$2,199,030 in General Revenue for the PMP.</p> <p>HOUSE</p> <p>HOUSE</p> <p>House includes an increase of \$597,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds for PMP funding. House includes a total of \$2,198,826 in All Funds for the PMP, including \$1,601,826 in General Revenue and \$597,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds.</p> <p>c. See Cross-Strategy Issues.</p>
	\$ 11,184,343			
B.1.2 PEER ASSISTANCE	\$ 486,009	\$ 467,325	\$ 18,684	
C.1.1 LICENSING - INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 289,966	\$ 286,725	\$ 3,241	
	\$ 286,952			See Cross-Strategy Issues.
C.1.2 ENFORCEMENT-INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,653,773	\$ 1,635,668	\$ 18,105	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	\$ 1,637,055			
See also Article IX	Page IX-80	Page IX-84, Page IX-86		<p>Senate includes intent for additional funds for Hobby building sanitation and safety.</p> <p>House includes appropriations for PMP funding, Acquisition of Technology and VoIP.</p>

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
See also Article XI		Page XI-14		

533 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF PHYSICAL THERAPY & OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-43	VIII-42		
			SENATE	1) Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Phone System Senate provides an increase of \$3,500 in General Revenue. House provides an increase of \$3,500 in Economic Stabilization Funds in Article IX Sec. 17.13.
			HOUSE	2) Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS) Senate provides an increase of \$18,900 in General Revenue to fund 60% of the agency's CAPPS request. House provides an increase of \$31,500 in Economic Stabilization Funds in Article IX Sec. 17.13.
			SENATE	3) Agency Server Senate provides an increase of \$4,000 in General Revenue for one server.
A.1.1 OPERATE LICENSING SYSTEM / Article IX Sec. 17.13	\$ 1,580,329	\$ 1,585,929	\$ 5,600	See Cross Strategy Issues.
	\$ 1,588,529			
B.1.1 ADMINISTER ENFORCEMENT / Article IX Sec. 17.13	\$ 848,863	\$ 851,863	\$ 3,000	See Cross Strategy Issues.
	\$ 853,263			
See also Article IX		Page IX-86		Appropriation for VoIP and CAPPS deployment.
See also Article XI		Page XI-14		

456 BOARD OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-45	VIII-45		
Cross-Strategy Issue			HOUSE	1) Merit Salary Increases Senate provides an increase of \$40,000 in General Revenue for merit salary raises for 17 non-investigator employees.
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	33.0	31.0	2.0	House reduces 2.0 FTE investigator positions.
A.1.1 EXAMINE AND LICENSE PLUMBERS	\$ 2,001,400	\$ 1,953,400	\$ 48,000	
			SENATE	a. Senate adds \$28,000 in General Revenue for information technology enhancements to the regulatory database. b. See Cross-Strategy Issue
	\$ 1,981,400			
A.1.3 INSPECTIONS AND ENFORCEMENT	\$ 2,591,903	\$ 2,282,799	\$ 309,104	
			HOUSE	a. House includes a reduction of \$212,104 in General Revenue and 2.0 FTE investigator positions included in the four percent reduction.
			SENATE	b. Senate adds \$100,000 in General Revenue for salary increases for 15 investigators.
			HOUSE	c. Senate includes a reduction of \$23,000 in General Revenue for a one time vehicle purchase expense from 2016-17. House repurposed these funds for vehicle maintenance and travel costs for investigators.
		\$ 2,382,799		d. See Cross-Strategy Issue

476 RACING COMMISSION

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-50	VIII-50		
A.2.1 TEXAS BRED INCENTIVE PROGRAM	\$ 6,866,340	\$ 6,650,686	\$ 215,654	Senate provides General Revenue-Dedicated funding for the Texas Bred Incentive Program at the 2016-17 base amount of \$6.9 million in 2018-19. House includes a decrease of \$215,654 in General Revenue-Dedicated Funds. The 2018-19 total for the Texas Bred Incentive Program is \$6.7 million.
D.1.1 CENTRAL ADMIN & OTHER SUPPORT SVCS	\$ 1,550,274	\$ 1,520,274	\$ 30,000	Senate provides an increase of \$30,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Funds for internal audit services. The 18-19 total is \$50,000. House provides \$20,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Funds for internal audit services.

312 SECURITIES BOARD

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-56	VIII-55		
Cross-Strategy Issues			HOUSE	1) Four Percent Reduction House includes a reduction of \$584,932 in General Revenue; \$530,170 is for salaries, wages, and associated personnel costs for 7 FTEs; and \$54,762 is for rent and office expenses for a field office branch.
			HOUSE	2) Salary Increases Senate provides an increase of \$1,385,353 in General Revenue for salary increases across professional positions; \$812,832 is allocated to Enforcement, \$85,143 to Registration, \$457,614 to Inspections, and \$29,764 to Central Administration.
Schedule of Exempt Positions	164,116	142,929	See Exempt Salary Issue Docket	Senate provides \$21,107 in additional authority each fiscal year for the Executive Director salary, from \$142,929 to \$164,116, and retains in Group 5.
A.1.1 LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$ 6,537,461	\$ 5,379,519	\$ 1,157,942	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
A.2.1 SECURITIES REGISTRATION	\$ 860,503	\$ 813,356	\$ 47,147	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
A.3.1 DEALER REGISTRATION	\$ 952,488	\$ 914,492	\$ 37,996	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
A.4.1 INSPECT RECORDS	\$ 4,410,458	\$ 3,713,022	\$ 697,436	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
B.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 2,772,166	\$ 2,742,402	\$ 29,764	See Cross-Strategy Issues.

578 BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-62	VIII-61		
			HOUSE	1) Accounting Technician FTE Senate includes an increase of \$61,620 in General Revenue and an additional 1.0 FTE for an Accounting Technician to provide purchasing and travel coordination support to the agency.
			SENATE AS AMENDED LESS \$18,810	2) Salary increase for the Director of Finance Senate includes an increase of \$37,620 in General Revenue for an increase of salary for the Director of Finance FTE from \$52,000 to \$70,000 per year.
			HOUSE	3) Funding for Merit Salary Increases Senate includes an increase of \$52,000 in General Revenue for a 3% merit salary increase for all agency employees making under \$75,000 per year.
			HOUSE	4) Temporary Accounting FTE to assist with Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS) Implementation Senate includes an increase of \$62,400 in General Revenue and an additional 0.6 FTE for a temporary accounting FTE to assist with CAPPS implementation to fund 60% of agency's request. House includes \$104,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds and an additional 1.0 FTE for a temporary accounting FTE to assist with CAPPS implementation in Article IX Sec. 17.13.
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	21.6	20.0	1.6	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	21.0			
A.1.1 OPERATE LICENSURE SYSTEM/Article IX Sec.17.13	\$ 505,553	\$ 475,443	\$ 30,110	See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	\$ 480,145			

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A.2.1 COMPLAINTS AND ACTION/Article IX Sec. 17.13	\$ 1,951,990	\$ 1,762,840	\$ 189,150	a. Senate includes an increase of \$109,620 in General Revenue and an additional 1.0 FTE for an Investigator. b. See Cross-Strategy Issues.
	\$ 1,886,568		SENATE	
A.2.2 PEER ASSISTANCE	\$ 90,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 30,000	Senate includes an increase of \$30,000 in General Revenue for the Peer Assistance Program for third-party vendor contract costs.
See also Article IX See also Article XI		Page IX-86 Page XI-14		Appropriation for CAPPS implementation.

P08 ARTICLE VIII, SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO ALL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-65	VIII-64		
Cross-Article Issue - Contract Cost Containment		VIII-68, Sec. 7 Rider Packet, page VIII-5 AS AMENDED to conform with funding decisions	HOUSE AS AMENDED, Texas Department of Insurance GR reduction of \$80,150 swapped to GR-Fund 8042	House reduces \$526,750 in General Revenue (GR)-related funds from Article VIII agencies for contract cost containment pursuant to Article VIII, Special Provisions, Sec. 7, and allocated across agencies according to Article IX, Sec. 17.10. Funds reduced are from GR, except where listed below.
State Office of Administrative Hearings	\$ -	\$ (8,750)	\$ 8,750	
Board of Chiropractic Examiners	\$ -	\$ (1,500)	\$ 1,500	
Texas State Board of Dental Examiners	\$ -	\$ (13,250)	\$ 13,250	
Funeral Service Commission	\$ -	\$ (1,250)	\$ 1,250	
Board of Professional Geoscientists	\$ -	\$ (2,500)	\$ 2,500	
Office of Injured Employee Counsel	\$ -	\$ (4,500)	\$ 4,500	House reduces \$4,500 in GR-D TDI Operating Fund 36.
Department of Insurance	\$ -	\$ (200,000)	\$ 200,000	House reduces \$80,150 in GR and \$119,850 in GR-D TDI Operating Fund 36.
Office of Public Insurance Counsel	\$ -	\$ (1,750)	\$ 1,750	
Board of Professional Land Surveying	\$ -	\$ (750)	\$ 750	
Department of Licensing and Regulation	\$ -	\$ (71,250)	\$ 71,250	
Texas Medical Board	\$ -	\$ (71,750)	\$ 71,750	House reduces \$53,050 in GR and \$18,700 in GR-D Public Assurance Account 5105.
Texas Board of Nursing	\$ -	\$ (66,000)	\$ 66,000	
Optometry Board	\$ -	\$ (1,500)	\$ 1,500	
Board of Pharmacy	\$ -	\$ (27,250)	\$ 27,250	
Executive Council of Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy Examiners	\$ -	\$ (1,750)	\$ 1,750	
Board of Plumbing Examiners	\$ -	\$ (9,750)	\$ 9,750	
Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners	\$ -	\$ (1,000)	\$ 1,000	
Board of Examiners of Psychologists	\$ -	\$ (1,500)	\$ 1,500	
Racing Commission	\$ -	\$ (13,250)	\$ 13,250	House reduces \$13,250 in GR-D Texas Racing Commission Account 597.
Securities Board	\$ -	\$ (9,500)	\$ 9,500	

Item	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Public Utility Commission of Texas	\$ -	\$ (9,500)	\$ 9,500	House reduces \$7,950 in GR and \$1,550 in GR-D Water Resource Management Account 153.
Office of Public Utility Counsel	\$ -	\$ (5,750)	\$ 5,750	House reduces \$4,400 in GR and \$1,350 in GR-D Water Resource Management Account 153.
Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners	\$ -	\$ (2,750)	\$ 2,750	
See also Article IX		Page IX-80		Additional provisions for the reduction in appropriations related to contracts.

Article VIII Agencies with No Issues

Agency	Senate 2018-19	House 2018-19	Biennial Difference	Explanation
State Office of Administrative Hearings (360)	VIII-1	VIII-1		
Board of Chiropractic Examiners (508)	VIII-5	VIII-5		
Funeral Service Commission (513)	VIII-9	VIII-9		
Board of Professional Geoscientists (481)	VIII-10	VIII-10		
Office of Injured Employee Counsel (448)	VIII-14	VIII-14 See Article XI, House page XI-14		
Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners (512)	VIII-47	VIII-46		
Board of Examiners of Psychologists (520)	VIII-48	VIII-48		
Public Utility Commission of Texas (473)	VIII-58	VIII-57 See Article XI, House page XI-14		
Office of Public Utility Counsel (475)	VIII-61	VIII-60		

Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, Article VIII
Proposed Rider Amendment
Barber School Tuition Protection Account

Prepared by LBB Staff, 4/26/2017

Overview

Amend rider in the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation bill pattern, Senate Bill 1, as Passed 2nd House, to provide unexpended balance authority within the biennium.

Required Action

On page VIII-29 of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation bill pattern, Senate Bill 1, as Passed 2nd House, amend the following rider:

- 8. Barber School Tuition Protection Account.** Out of the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation in Strategy A.1.3, Examinations/Continuing Education, the amounts of \$10,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$10,000 in fiscal year 2019 are from the GR-Dedicated Barber School Tuition Protection Account No. 5081, for the purpose of paying expenses and refunds authorized by the department under the provisions of Occupations Code §1601.3571. The Department of Licensing and Regulation, upon completion of necessary actions to assess or increase additional fees, shall furnish copies of the Department of Licensing and Regulation's minutes and other information supporting the estimated revenues to be generated for the 2018-19 biennium under the revised fee structure to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2018 in appropriations made to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation for this purpose are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018.

Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, Article VIII
Proposed Rider Amendment
Private Beauty School Tuition Protection Account

Prepared by LBB Staff, 4/26/2017

Overview

Amend a rider in the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation bill pattern, Senate Bill 1, as Passed 2nd House, to align with appropriations from GR-Dedicated account for Private Beauty Culture School Tuition Protection to refund tuition for students whose schools closed before completing instruction, and to provide unexpended balance authority within the biennium.

Required Action

On page VIII-30 of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation bill pattern, Senate Bill 1, as Passed 2nd House, amend the following rider:

9. **Private Beauty Culture School Tuition Protection Account.** Out of the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation in Strategy A.1.3, Examinations/Continuing Education, the amounts of ~~\$75,000~~~~\$90,000~~ in fiscal year 2018 and ~~\$75,000~~~~\$90,000~~ in fiscal year 2019 from the GR-Dedicated Private Beauty Culture School Tuition Protection Account No. 108 are for the purpose of paying expenses and refunds authorized by the department under the provisions of Occupations Code §1602.464. The Department of Licensing and Regulation, upon completion of necessary actions to assess or increase additional fees, shall furnish copies of the Department of Licensing and Regulation's minutes and other information supporting the estimated revenues to be generated for the 2018-19 biennium under the revised fee structure to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2018 in appropriations made to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation for this purpose are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018.

Board of Nursing, Article VIII

Proposed Rider Amendment

Contingent Revenue Rider

Prepared by LBB Staff, 5/8/2017

Overview

Amend rider in the Board of Nursing bill pattern, Senate Bill 1, Engrossed, to reduce amounts subject to contingent revenue requirements to be \$700,110 (\$350,055 in fiscal year 2018 and \$350,055 in fiscal year 2019). The rider requires the Board of Nursing to generate additional revenue above the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate sufficient to offset this contingent appropriation and any associated direct and indirect costs.

Required Action

On page VIII-37 of the Board of Nursing bill pattern, Senate Bill 1, Engrossed, amend the following rider:

- Contingent Revenue.** Out of the amounts appropriated above to the Board of Nursing in Strategy A.1.1, Licensing, the amounts of ~~\$57,962,450,434~~ in fiscal year 2018 and ~~\$57,962,623,744~~ in fiscal year 2019, in Strategy A.2.1, Accreditation, the amounts of ~~\$43,847,476,647~~ in fiscal year 2018 and ~~\$43,847,62,847~~ in fiscal year 2019, in Strategy B.1.1, Adjudicate Violations, the amounts of ~~\$116,346,317,284~~ in fiscal year 2018 and ~~\$116,346,432,804~~ in fiscal year 2019, and in Strategy B.1.2, Peer Assistance, the amounts of \$131,900 in fiscal year 2018 and \$131,900 in fiscal year 2019, in General Revenue are contingent upon the Board of Nursing assessing or increasing fees sufficient to generate, during the 2018-19 biennium, ~~\$759,456,234,535~~6 in excess of \$27,800,000 (Object Codes 3560 and 3570), contained in the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Biennial Revenue Estimate for fiscal years 2018 and 2019. The Board of Nursing, upon completion of necessary actions to assess or increase such additional fees, shall furnish copies of the Board of Nursing's minutes and other information supporting the estimated revenues to be generated for the 2018-19 biennium under the revised fee structure to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. If the Comptroller finds the information sufficient to support the projection of increased revenues, a finding of fact to that effect shall be issued and the contingent appropriation shall be made available for the intended purposes. For informational purposes, the amount of increased revenue identified above reflects amounts sufficient to cover direct appropriations of ~~\$700,110,219,548~~ and other direct and indirect costs (estimated to be ~~\$59,346,146,838~~ for the 2018-19 biennium).

Board of Pharmacy, Article VIII
Proposed Rider Amendment
Updated Prescription Monitoring Program Funding Allocations

Prepared by LBB Staff, 4/26/2017

Overview

Amend rider in the Board of Pharmacy bill pattern, Senate Bill 1, as Passed 2nd House, to reflect revenue amounts updated based on licensee percentages for the agencies participating in the Prescription Monitoring Program and the funding decision.

Required Action

On page VIII-42 of the Board of Pharmacy bill pattern, Senate Bill 1, as Passed 2nd House, amend the following rider:

6. Informational Listing: Prescription Monitoring Program Funding. Out of the amounts appropriated above, the Texas State Board of Pharmacy shall use ~~\$800,913~~ \$1,099,413 during each fiscal year 2018 and 2019 to execute the appropriate provisions of Chapter 481 of the Health and Safety Code. Fees are collected by agencies that license individuals or entities authorized to access the Prescription Monitoring Program including, Board of Pharmacy, Texas Medical Board, Optometry Board, Board of Dental Examiners, Board of Nursing, Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners, and the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners. The following is an informational listing of the agencies participating in the Prescription Monitoring Program and fees estimated to be collected for this purpose:

	FY18	FY19
Texas Medical Board	\$366,047 <u>\$503,026</u>	370,823 <u>508,049</u>
Optometry Board	\$23,226 <u>\$31,389</u>	20,824 <u>28,704</u>
Texas Board of Dental Examiners	\$125,743 <u>\$172,372</u>	122,540 <u>168,100</u>
Texas Board of Nursing	\$65,675 <u>\$90,442</u>	65,675 <u>90,377</u>
Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners	\$60,068 <u>\$82,994</u>	60,068 <u>82,630</u>
Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners	\$8,009 <u>\$10,640</u>	7,208 <u>10,329</u>
Board of Pharmacy	\$152,175 <u>\$208,550</u>	153,775 <u>211,224</u>
Total	\$800,913 <u>\$1,099,413</u>	800,913 <u>1,099,413</u>