Section 1

Commission on Fire Protection Summary of Recommendations - Senate

Executive Director, Gary Warren Article V-32

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RECOMMENDED FUNDING BY METHOD OF FINANCING

	2010-11	2010-11	2012-13	Biennial	%
Method of Financing	Appropriations	Base	Recommended	Change	Change
General Revenue Funds	\$6,865,108	\$4,425,581	\$2,673,102	(\$1,752,479)	(39.6%)
GR Dedicated Funds	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	100.0%
Total GR-Related Funds	\$6,865,108	<i>\$4,425,581</i>	\$2,683,102	(\$1,742,479)	(39.4%)
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Other	\$70,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$0	0.0%
All Funds	\$6,935,108	\$4,515,581	\$2,773,102	(\$1,742,479)	(38.6%)

GR Dedicated _ Funds 0.4%	Othe 3.29	
		General Revenue Funds 96.4%

	FY 2011	FY 2011	FY 2013	Biennial	%
	Appropriations	Budgeted	Recommended	Change	Change
FTEs	41.0	37.0	23.0	(14.0)	(37.8%)

The bill pattern for this agency (2012-13 Recommended) represents an estimated 100% of the agency's estimated total available funds for the 2012-13 biennium.

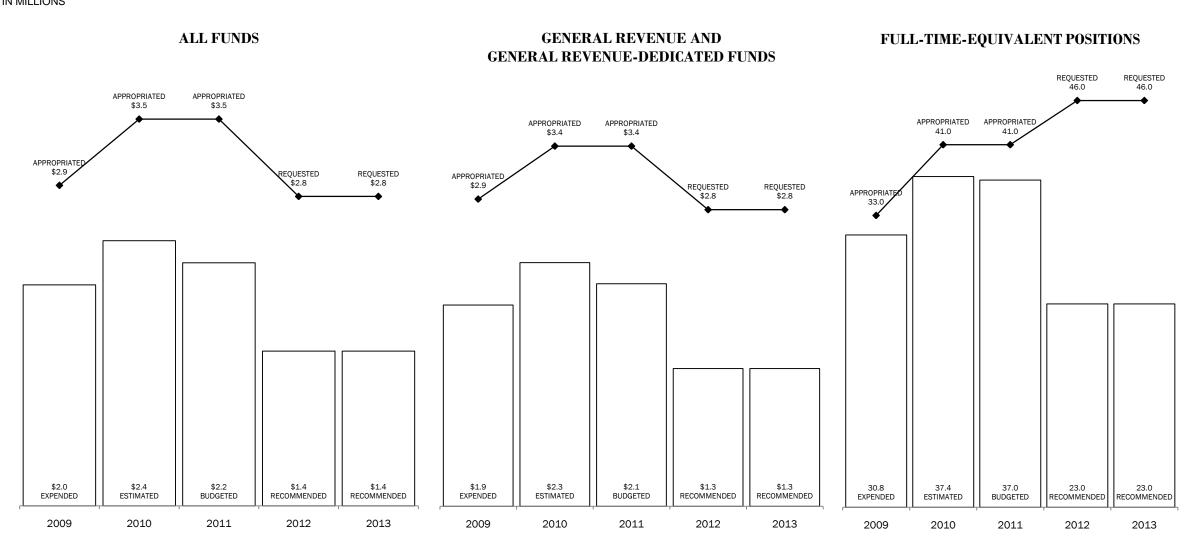
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2012-2013 BIENNIUM

IN MILLIONS

TOTAL=

\$2.8 MILLION



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Section 2

Commission on Fire Protection Summary of Recommendations - Senate, By Method of Finance -- ALL FUNDS

Strategy/Goal	2010-11 Base	2012-13 Recommended	Biennial Change	% Change	Comments
FIRE SAFETY INFO & EDUC PROGRAMS A.1.1	\$129,010	\$0	(\$129,010)	(100.0%)	Recommendations eliminate the GR funding for the agency's Fire-related Information and Resources function.
Total, Goal A, EDUCATION & ASSISTANCE	\$129,010	\$0	(\$129,010)	(100.0%)	
CERTIFY & REGULATE FIRE SERVICE B.1.1	\$2,776,414	\$2,563,702	(\$212,712)	(7.7%)	Recommendations reduce funding by \$212,712 by eliminating the GR funding for two of four FTEs provided for by funding from raising fees in 2010-11. This reduction amount is within the amount suggested to be reduced to this strategy in the agency's 10% reduction schedule of their 2012-13 LAR.
Total, Goal B, FIRE DEPARTMENT STANDARDS	\$2,776,414	\$2,563,702	(\$212,712)	(7.7%)	
INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION C.1.1	\$1,610,157	\$209,400	(\$1,400,757)	,	Recommendations administratively attach the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to the Texas Department of Insurance (See Section 3a-Selected Fiscal and Policy Issues). This recommendation eliminates 11 of 12 requested FTEs. The agency suggested \$317,508 in GR reductions to this strategy in their 10% reduction schedule.
Total, Goal C, INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$1,610,157	\$209,400	(\$1,400,757)	(87.0%)	
Grand Total, All Strategies	\$4,515,581	\$2,773,102	(\$1,742,479)	(38.6%)	

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Texas Commission on Fire Protection Selected Fiscal and Policy Issues

- 1. **Strategy C.1.1 Indirect Administration.** Recommendations provide administratively attaching the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI). All administrative functions other than that of the Executive Director are recommended to be transferred to TDI and those responsibilities will be absorbed by TDI (no additional funding or FTEs). This will reduces GR appropriations to TCFP by \$1.4 million.
- Strategy A.1.1 Provide Fire-related Information and Resources. Recommendations zero-fund this strategy and goal. This is not a statutorily required function. Eliminating this strategy along with the administrative attachment to the Texas Department of Insurance allows the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to continue its core function of certifying and regulating the fire service, utilizing the expertise of its 13 Commissioners, which was a significant agency asset according to the 2009 Sunset Report.

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Section 3b

Texas Commission on Fire Protection FTE Highlights

Full-Time-Equivalent Positions	Expended 2009	Actual 2010	Budgeted 2011	Recommended 2012	Recommended 2013
Cap	33.0	41.0	41.0	23.0	23.0
Actual/Budgeted	30.8	37.4	37.0	NA	NA
Schedule of Exempt Positions (Cap)					
Executive Director, Group 3	\$90,000	\$92,600	\$92,600	\$92,600	\$92,600

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Section 3c

Texas Commission on Fire Protection Performance Measure Highlights

		Expended 2009	Actual 2010	Budgeted 2011	Recommended 2012	Recommended 2013
•	Number of Fire Service Personnel Certified	28,550	29,346	28,941	29,800	30,700
	The number of Fire Service Personnel certified by the T	exas Commission on	Fire Protection.			
•	Number of New Certifications Issued to Individuals	11,171	9,000	8,500	8,750	9,010
	Number of new certifications issued for the first time to	Individuals in Texas.				
•	Number of Inspections of Regulated Entities	685	868	600	600	600
	Number of inspections of regulated entities by the Texa	s Commission on Fire	Protection.			

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Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP) Performance Review and Policy Report Highlights

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	Report	Savings/	Gain/	Fund	ls included in	
Reports & Recommendations	Page	(Cost)	(Loss)	Type	the Introduced Bill	Action Required During Session

NO RELATED RECOMMENDATIONS

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Texas Commission on Fire Protection Rider Highlights

- 3. (formerly 6) **Contingency for Fire Certification Fees.** Amend to reduce authorized FTEs contingent upon fees. Five of seven FTEs are being eliminated, with the funding for two remaining still relying on fees being collected at the same level as in 2010-11.
- 3. (former) **Appropriations of Receipts Loan Repayment Revolving Fund.** Delete rider as this program was transferred to another agency in fiscal year 2010.
- 4. (new) **Interagency Agreement.** Add rider to administratively attach the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to the Texas Department of Insurance. (See Selected Fiscal and Policy Issue #1).
- 4. (former) **Grants and Loan Program.** Delete rider because this program was transferred to another agency in fiscal year 2010.
- 5. (new) **Appropriations: License Plate Receipts.** Add rider to appropriate license plate revenues, limited to 50% of projected revenue from license plates for licensed fire fighters to the Texas Commission on Fire Protection inside of their bill pattern.
- 5. (former) **Sunset Contingency.** Delete Rider.

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Commission on Fire Protection

Items not Included in Recommendations - Senate

(Agency's Revised Priority List - Restorations and Requests for Items Not Included in the Introduced Bill)

2012-13 Biennial Total

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	GR & GR-	
	 Dedicated	All Funds
1. Restore Indirect Administration to TCFP and Do Not Administratively Attach Agency to the Texas Department of Insurance.		
1A. Restore funding for 4 FTEs to provide administrative support, accounting and budget support staff services, public information functions, and information resource management.	\$ 540,000	\$ 540,000
1B. Restore funding for 3 FTEs to perform Information Technology and Database functions.	\$ 365,000	\$ 365,000
Restore Funding to the Earnest A. Emerson Resource Library Restore funding and 1 FTE to administer the Library.	\$ 131,556	\$ 131,556
3 Restore Funding to Fire Department Standards - Restore funding for travel to certify and regulate fire departments and personnel.	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000
Total, Items Not Included in the Recommendations	\$ 1,116,556	\$ 1,116,556

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