

**Board of Professional Land Surveying
Summary of Recommendations - Senate**

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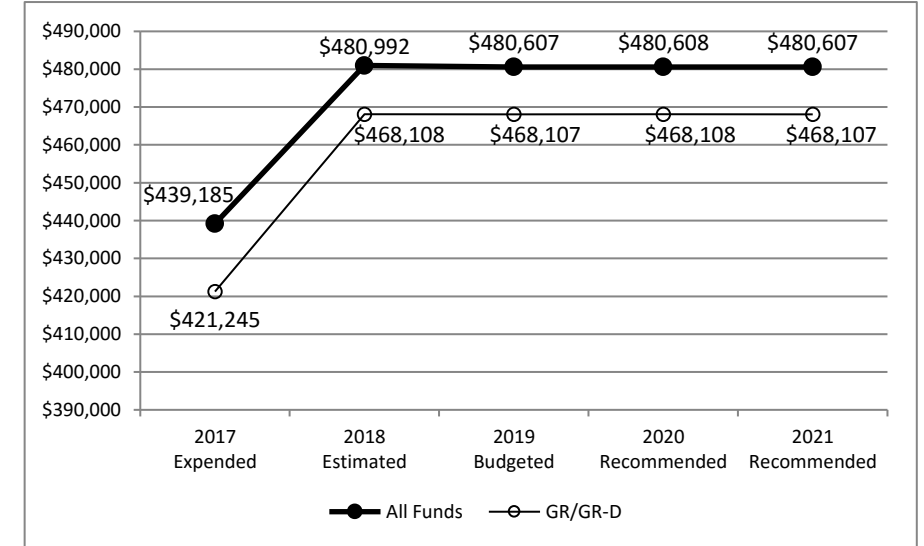
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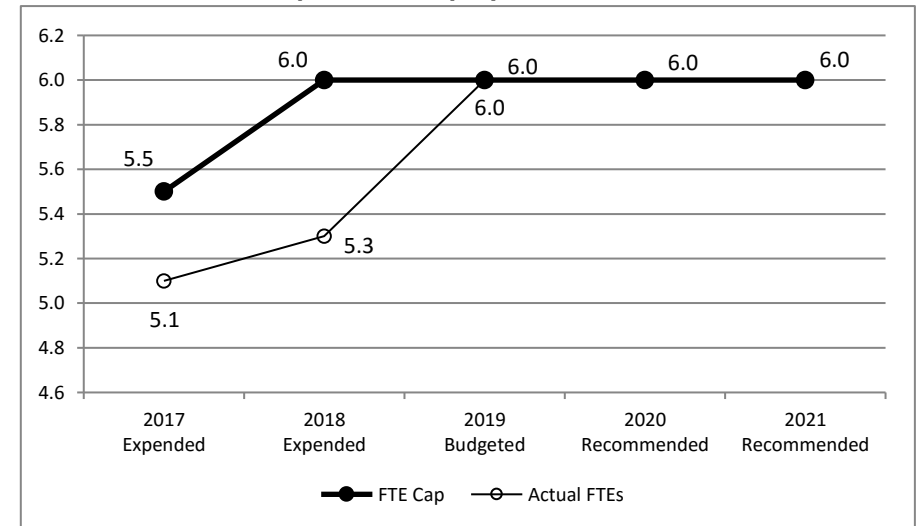
Method of Financing	2018-19 Base	2020-21 Recommended	Biennial Change (\$)	Biennial Change (%)
General Revenue Funds	\$936,215	\$936,215	\$0	0.0%
GR Dedicated Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
<i>Total GR-Related Funds</i>	<i>\$936,215</i>	<i>\$936,215</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>0.0%</i>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Other	\$25,384	\$25,000	(\$384)	(1.5%)
All Funds	\$961,599	\$961,215	(\$384)	(0.0%)

	FY 2019 Budgeted	FY 2021 Recommended	Biennial Change	Percent Change
FTEs	6.0	6.0	0.0	0.0%

Historical Funding Levels



Historical Full-Time-Equivalent Employees (FTEs)



The bill pattern for this agency (2020-21 Recommended) represents an estimated 100% of the agency's estimated total available funds for the 2020-21 biennium.

**Board of Professional Land Surveying
Selected Fiscal and Policy Issues - Senate**

1. **Sunset Review.** The Sunset Advisory Commission reviewed the agency in fiscal year 2018. Sunset staff found dysfunction in the agency's enforcement processes causing complaint resolution to increase to more than two years on average. Additionally, Sunset staff found that the agency knowingly lapsed over \$423,000 since fiscal year 2012 instead of investing those funds to address agency inefficiencies. The Sunset Advisory Commission decided to consolidate the Texas Board of Professional Land Surveying with the Texas Board of Professional Engineers, creating the Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors and adopted Sunset staff recommendations for various statutory changes and management actions necessary to improve the regulation of the profession.

**Board of Professional Land Surveying
Rider Highlights - Senate**

New Riders

2. **Sunset Contingency.** The Introduced Bill adds a contingency provision for the agency's Sunset review.

**Board of Professional Land Surveying
Items Not Included in Recommendations - Senate**

		2020-21 Biennial Total			Information Technology Involved?	Contracting Involved?	Estimated Continued Cost 2022-23
		GR & GR-D	All Funds	FTEs			
Agency Exceptional Items - In Agency Priority Order							
0)	The agency did not include any exceptional item requests.	\$0	\$0	0.0			\$0
TOTAL Items Not Included in Recommendations		\$0	\$0	0.0			\$0

**Board of Professional Land Surveying
Appendices - Senate**

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* Appendix is not included - no significant information to report

**Board of Professional Land Surveying
Funding Changes and Recommendations - Senate, by Strategy -- ALL FUNDS**

Strategy/Goal	2018-19 Base	2020-21 Recommended	Biennial Change	% Change	Comments
LICENSING AND EDUCATION A.1.1	\$832,907	\$780,915	(\$51,992)	(6.2%)	The agency shifted funds from Strategy A.1.1 to A.1.2 to reflect the portion of employee salaries that are attributed to the Indirect Administration strategy.
INDIRECT ADMIN-LICENSING/EDUCATION A.1.2	\$95,572	\$146,000	\$50,428	52.8%	
TEXAS.GOV A.1.3	\$33,120	\$34,300	\$1,180	3.6%	
Total, Goal A, LICENSING & ENFORCEMENT	\$961,599	\$961,215	(\$384)	(0.0%)	
Grand Total, All Strategies	\$961,599	\$961,215	(\$384)	(0.0%)	Net decrease of \$384 in All Funds from slight decline in anticipated appropriated receipts from home study course materials.

**Board of Professional Land Surveying
Performance Measure Highlights - Senate**

	Expended 2017	Estimated 2018	Budgeted 2019	Recommended 2020	Recommended 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Key Output Measure: Complaints Resolved</i> <p><i>Measure Explanation: The agency was without a Complaint Administrator for 8 months during the Governor's hiring freeze in fiscal year 2017 and fell behind on complaint resolution. The agency filled the position in October 2017 and by the third quarter of fiscal year 2018 had surpassed the target for number of complaints resolved.</i></p>	26	60	25	25	25
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Key Outcome Measure: Percent of Documented Complaints Resolved within Six Months</i> <p><i>Measure Explanation: The agency received 0.5 FTE investigator to assist with complaints starting in fiscal years 2016-17. In fiscal year 2015, the agency reported resolving 0.0% of complaints within six months. The agency has shown some improvement in this activity but continues to significantly underperform compared to the target.</i></p>	13.6%	25.0%	70.0%	70.0%	70.0%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Non-Key Outcome Measure: Average Time for Complaint Resolution (Days)</i> <p><i>Measure Explanation: Complaint investigation requires the review of property deed records and survey plats.</i></p>	798	500	500	360	360

**Board of Professional Land Surveying
Summary of Ten Percent Biennial Base Reduction Options - Senate**

Priority	Item	Description/Impact	Biennial Reduction Amounts			Potential Revenue Loss	Reduction as % of Program GR/GR-D Total	Program GR/GR-D Total	Included in Introduced Bill?
			GR & GR-D	All Funds	FTEs				
1	Licensing & Education	Salary Reduction – employees perform duties that affect all areas of agency operations – (\$4,702) per fiscal year	\$23,404	\$23,404	0.0	\$0	3%	\$704,510	N
		Travel – Examination Advisory Committees and Board members travel reimbursement – (\$7,000) per fiscal year							
2	Licensing & Education	Travel – Examination Advisory Committees and Board members travel reimbursement – (\$7,000) per fiscal year	\$14,000	\$14,000	0.0	\$0	2%	\$704,510	N
	Indirect Administration	Postage – certified mail to the surveyors subject to complaints and mailing license pocket cards to surveyors upon license renewal – (\$4,702) per fiscal year	\$9,404	\$9,404	0.0	\$0	9%	\$103,788	N
3	Licensing & Education	Psychometrician Services – a statistical analysis of exams – (\$7,000) per fiscal year	\$14,000	\$14,000	0.0	\$0	2%	\$704,510	N
	Indirect Administration	Live-streaming of board meetings – Live-streaming of board meetings by DIR – (\$4,702) per fiscal year	\$9,404	\$9,404	1.0	\$0	9%	\$103,788	N
4	Indirect Administration	Travel – Examination Advisory Committees and Board members travel reimbursement – (\$7,000) per fiscal year	\$23,404	\$23,404	0.0	\$0	23%	\$103,788	N
		Consumables – office supplies – (\$2,500) per fiscal year							
		Other operating expenses – postal services, maintenance contracts, etc. – (\$2,202) per fiscal year							
TOTAL, 10% Reduction Options			\$93,616	\$93,616	1.0	\$0			