

**Board of Professional Geoscientists
Summary of Budget Recommendations - Senate**

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Method of Financing	2024-25 Base	2026-27 Recommended	Biennial Change (\$)	Biennial Change (%)
General Revenue Funds	\$1,361,601	\$1,384,318	\$22,717	1.7%
GR Dedicated Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
<i>Total GR-Related Funds</i>	<i>\$1,361,601</i>	<i>\$1,384,318</i>	<i>\$22,717</i>	<i>1.7%</i>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
All Funds	\$1,361,601	\$1,384,318	\$22,717	1.7%

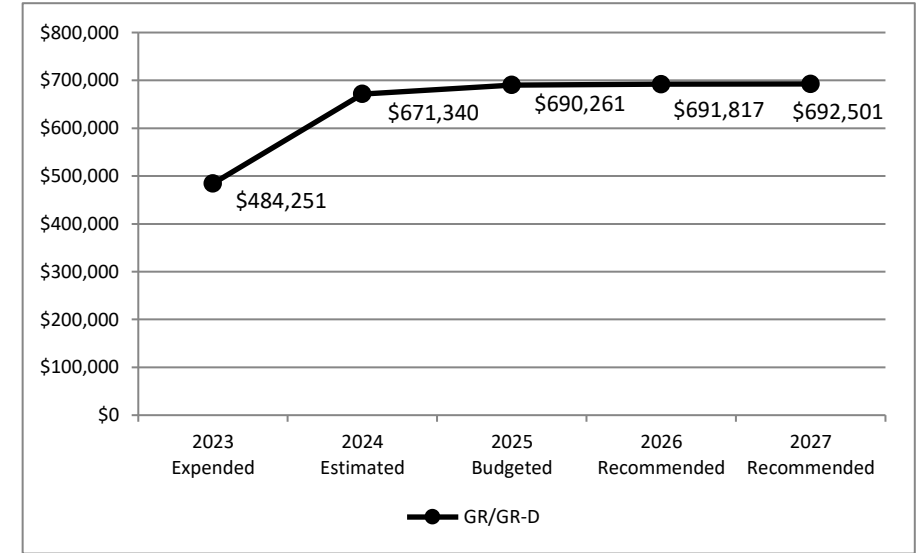
	FY 2025 Budgeted	FY 2027 Recommended	Biennial Change	Percent Change
FTEs	7.5	7.5	0.0	0.0%

Agency Budget and Policy Issues and/or Highlights

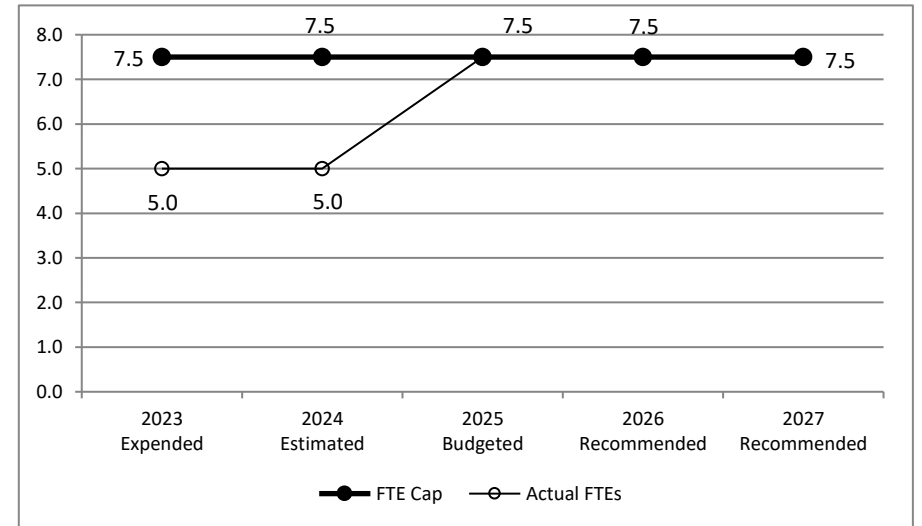
The Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists (TBPG) was established in 2003 by the Texas Geoscience Practice Act (Occupations Code, Chapter 1002). TBPG protects public health and the state's natural resources by ensuring that only qualified persons carry out the public practice of geoscience and by enforcing the Code of Professional Conduct that the board has established for its licensees.

The bill pattern for this agency (2026-27 Recommended) represents an estimated 100.0% of the agency's estimated total available funds for the 2026-27 biennium.

Historical Funding Levels (Millions)



Historical Full-Time-Equivalent Employees (FTEs)



Board of Professional Geoscientists
Summary of Funding Changes and Recommendations - Senate

Funding Changes and Recommendations for the 2026-27 Biennium compared to the 2024-25 Base Spending Level	General Revenue	GR-Dedicated	Federal Funds	Other Funds	All Funds	Strategy in Appendix A
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<i>OTHER Funding Changes and Recommendations (these issues are not addressed in Section 3 but details are provided in Appendix A):</i>
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A)	Increase in funding to biennialize the statewide salary adjustments included in the 2024-25 appropriations	\$14,670	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,670	Several strategies
B)	Increase for Health Professions Council vendor cost increases related to the shared regulatory database	\$8,047	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,047	A.1.3

TOTAL SIGNIFICANT & OTHER Funding Changes and Recommendations	\$22,717	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$22,717	As Listed
<i>SIGNIFICANT & OTHER Funding Increases</i>	\$22,717	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$22,717	As Listed
<i>SIGNIFICANT & OTHER Funding Decreases</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	As Listed

NOTE: Totals may not sum due to rounding.

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Items Not Included in Recommendations - Senate**

		2026-27 Biennial Total			Information Technology Involved?	Contracting Involved?	Estimated Continued Cost 2028-29
		GR & GR-D	All Funds	FTEs			
Agency Exceptional Items Not Included (in agency priority order)							
1)	General Revenue funding for an additional Program Specialist II (1.0 FTE at \$45,000 in fiscal year 2027) and one-time startup costs of \$2,800.	\$47,800	\$47,800	1.0	No	No	\$90,000
TOTAL Items Not Included in Recommendations		\$47,800	\$47,800	1.0			\$90,000

**Board of Professional Geoscientists
Appendices - Senate**

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* Appendix is not included - no significant information to report

**Board of Professional Geoscientists
Funding Changes and Recommendations by Strategy - Senate -- ALL FUNDS**

Strategy/Goal	2024-25 Base	2026-27 Recommended	Biennial Change	% Change	Comments
APPLICATION REVIEW A.1.1	\$260,663	\$251,914	(\$8,749)	(3.4%)	
TEXAS.GOV A.1.2	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	0.0%	
INFORMATIONAL SERVICES A.1.3	\$541,413	\$596,645	\$55,232	10.2%	Recommendations in General Revenue include: a) an increase of \$100,751 to support salaries at 2024-25 appropriated levels, b) a decrease of \$59,326 in office supplies, equipment and personnel costs to support salaries at 2024-25 appropriated levels, and c) an increase of \$13,518 for professional fees and services which includes \$8,047 for transfer to the Health Professions Council for vendor cost increases related to the shared regulatory database.
Total, Goal A, LICENSING	\$852,076	\$898,559	\$46,483	5.5%	
ENFORCEMENT B.1.1	\$416,482	\$410,950	(\$5,532)	(1.3%)	
Total, Goal B, ENFORCEMENT	\$416,482	\$410,950	(\$5,532)	(1.3%)	
INDIRECT ADMIN C.1.1	\$93,043	\$74,809	(\$18,234)	(19.6%)	Recommendation in General Revenue includes a reduction of \$19,371 in other operating expenses to support salaries in Strategy A.1.3 at 2024-25 appropriated levels.
Total, Goal C, INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$93,043	\$74,809	(\$18,234)	(19.6%)	
Grand Total, All Strategies	\$1,361,601	\$1,384,318	\$22,717	1.7%	

**Board of Professional Geoscientists
FTE Highlights - Senate**

Full-Time-Equivalent Positions	Expended 2023	Estimated 2024	Budgeted 2025	Recommended 2026	Recommended 2027
Cap	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Actual/Budgeted	5.0	5.0	7.5	NA	NA

Schedule of Exempt Positions (Cap)					
Executive Director, Group 2 (\$116,655)	\$109,157	\$112,906	\$116,655	\$116,655	\$116,655