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AT A GLANCE

In FY 2015-2016, the Board:

- Issued 18,875 licenses
- Issued 684 in-training certificates
- Evaluated 4,046 applications for examination and licensure
- Investigated 95 new complaints
- Outreach: 24 presentations

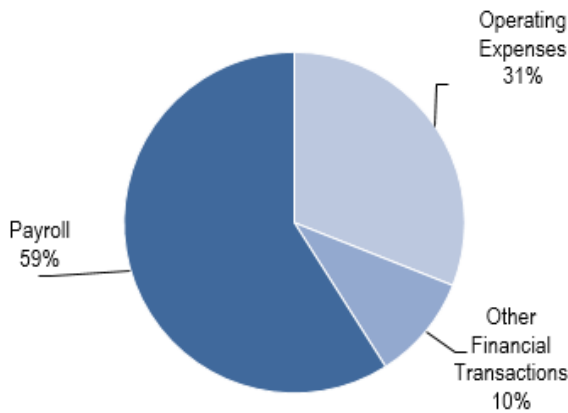
PURPOSE

The Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design regulates the professions and enforces the statutes and rules in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public. We ensure that individuals meet the education, examination and experience standards for licensure or certification, and maintain their records in good standing. We take disciplinary action against those who violate the statutes, rules and standards governing the practice of the professions. The Board contributes to the statewide outcomes of:

- People in Minnesota are safe;
- Efficient and accountable government services; and
- A thriving economy that encourages business growth and employment opportunities.

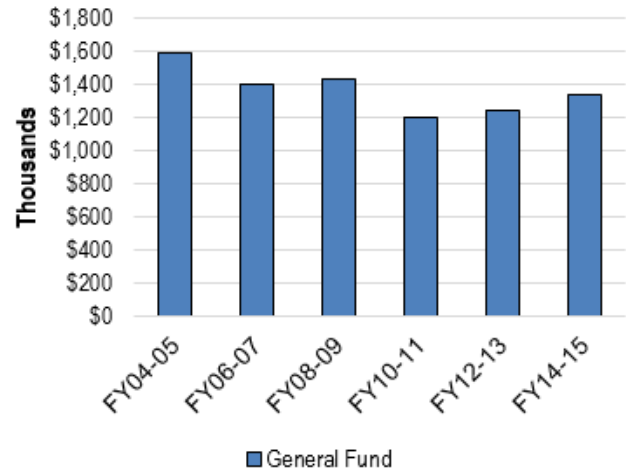
BUDGET

**Spending by Category
FY 15 Actual**



Source: BPAS

Historical Spending



Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

The Board has a total biennial budget of approximately \$1,342,000. We collect application and licensure fees which are deposited in the State's general fund. The budget is funded through general fund appropriations.

STRATEGIES

To accomplish its mission, the Board uses the following strategies:

1. **Regulatory** – Collaboration with the National Councils on consistent standards for examination, licensure and enforcement. Evaluating applications to ensure that those entering professional practice have completed the required education, examination and experience.

2. **Enforcement** – Investigating complaints and taking action against licensees and unlicensed individuals who violate the Board’s statutes and rules. Removing individuals from practice when necessary. Exchanging enforcement data across jurisdictions. Providing public access to license status, discipline history and the complaint process. Ensuring that the Board’s statutes and rules are up-to-date and understandable.
3. **Outreach and Education** – Providing information to Minnesota citizens, legislators, building officials, fire marshals, other state agencies, schools and national councils about the value of licensure and the requirements of competent practice.

RESULTS

<i>Type of Measure</i>	<i>Name of Measure</i>	<i>Previous</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Quantity	Number of licenses renewed on time	18,151	18,053	FY13/14 & FY 15/16
Quality	Average days to approval/denial of applications for examination.	13	13	FY13/14 & FY 15/16
Quality	Average days to approval/denial of applications for licensure by those already licensed in another jurisdiction.	43	43	FY13/14 & FY 15/16
Quality	Average days to resolve a complaint	189	95	FY13/14 & FY 15/16
Results	Number of educational presentation given	28	24	FY13/14 & FY 15/16

The Board of AELSLAGID’s legal authority comes from M.S. § 214.01 (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=214.01>) and M.S. §§ 326.02 - 326.15 (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=326>).

Expenditures By Fund

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecasted Base		Governor's Recommendation	
	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY18	FY19
1000 - General	651	691	758	820	794	794	802	808
Total	651	691	758	820	794	794	802	808
<i>Biennial Change</i>				237		10		32
<i>Biennial % Change</i>				18		1		2
<i>Governor's Change from Base</i>								22
<i>Governor's % Change from Base</i>								1

Expenditures by Program

Program: AELSLA	651	691	758	820	794	794	802	808
Total	651	691	758	820	794	794	802	808

Expenditures by Category

Compensation	416	408	465	494	476	476	484	490
Operating Expenses	226	260	272	316	308	308	308	308
Other Financial Transactions	7	21	21	10	10	10	10	10
Grants, Aids and Subsidies	0	0	0					
Capital Outlay-Real Property	1	1						
Total	651	691	758	820	794	794	802	808

Full-Time Equivalents

	6.3	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
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1000 - General

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base		Governor's Recommendation	
	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY18	FY19
Balance Forward In	0	123	0	26	0	0	0	0
Direct Appropriation	774	818	784	794	794	794	802	808
Net Transfers	0	(50)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cancellations	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0
Expenditures	651	691	758	820	794	794	802	808
Balance Forward Out	123	0	26	0	0	0	0	0
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**Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying,
Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design**

FY18-19 Biennial Budget Change Item

Change Item Title: Operating Adjustment

Fiscal Impact (\$000s)	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
General Fund				
Expenditures	8	14	14	14
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Other Funds				
Expenditures	0	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Net Fiscal Impact = (Expenditures – Revenues)	8	14	14	14
FTEs	0	0	0	0

Recommendation:

The Governor recommends additional funding \$22,000 from the general fund in FY18-19 to maintain the current level of service delivery at the Board of Architecture and Engineering.

Rationale/Background:

Each year, employer-paid health care contributions, pension contributions, FICA and Medicare, along with other salary and compensation-related costs increase. Other operating costs, like rent and lease, fuel and utilities, and IT and legal services also grow. This cost growth puts pressure on agency operating budgets that remain flat from year to year.

Agencies face challenging decisions to manage these costs within existing budgets, while maintaining the services Minnesotans expect. From year to year, agencies find ways to become more efficient with existing resources. However, cost growth typically outstrips efficiencies, and without additional resources added to agency budgets, service delivery erodes.

Proposal:

The Governor recommends increasing agency operating budgets to maintain the delivery of current services. For the Board of Architecture and Engineering this funding will cover expected and anticipated employee compensation growth, including anticipated compensation increases and employer-paid pension costs.

Results:

This proposal is intended to allow agencies to continue to provide current levels of service and information to the public.

Statutory Change(s):

N.A.