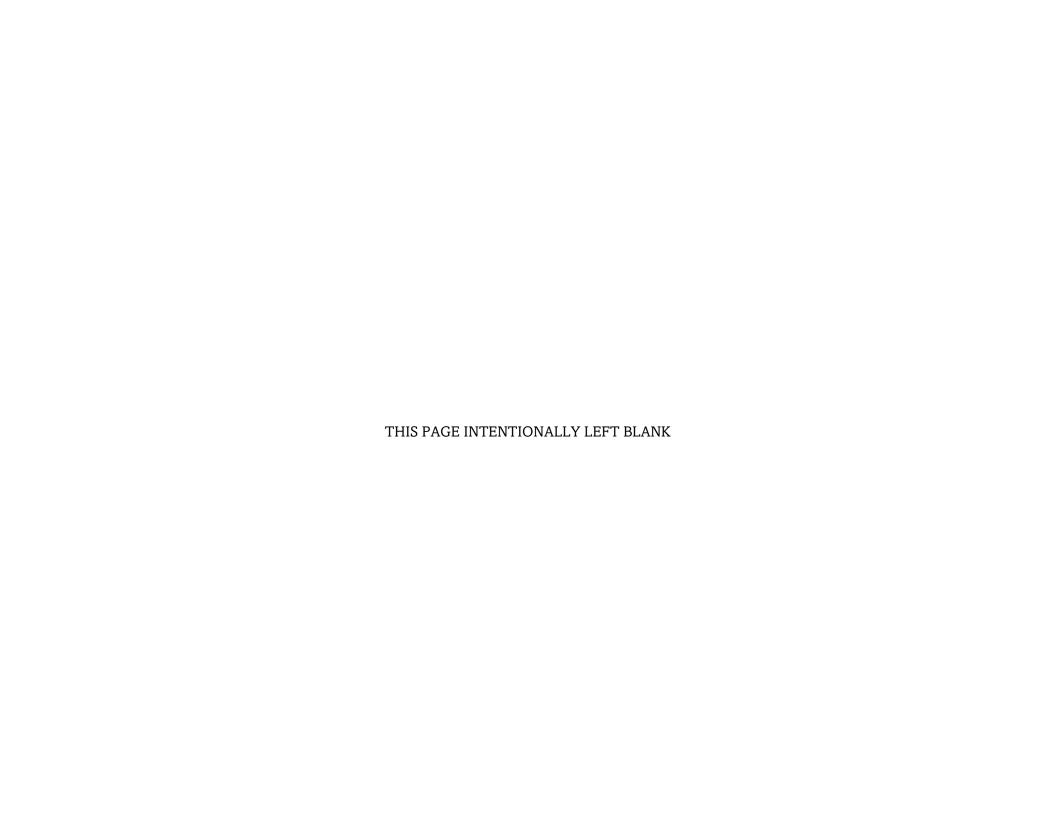


Legislative Appropriations Request 2026-2027 89th Regular Session

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS



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#### 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

The mission of the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners (TSBPE) is to protect the health and safety of all Texans by ensuring that our drinking water, air, and medical gases are free from contaminants. In fulfilling our mission, TSBPE ensures that plumbing systems are properly designed, installed, and inspected by competent professionals that demonstrate requisite fitness to serve the people of Texas. Through fair and consistent regulation of the plumbing industry, and by examining, licensing, and registering plumbing professionals, the Board ensures that qualified individuals follow clear standards while protecting the citizens' health and safety.

In 1947, the Texas Legislature passed the Plumbing License Law of 1947, which created the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners to provide for uniform statewide examination and licensing of Master Plumbers, Journeyman Plumbers, Tradesman Plumbers and Plumbing Inspectors. In our seventy-five plus years of existence, the Board has responded to the needs of a growing state by providing cost-effective service, common-sense solutions, and dedicated expertise to the plumbing industry and the people of Texas. The 88th Legislature overwhelmingly authorized the continuation of the TSBPE until 2032 and granted it much-needed authority and resources to serve its mission. The Legislature's efforts clearly showed its recognition for the vital need for qualified plumbers to provide Texans access to safe water and reliable sanitation.

Our Board consists of nine members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Texas Senate. These members from diverse areas of our state represent experienced leadership, industry expertise in their respective fields, and a dedication to public service.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS:**

Frank S. Denton, Chairman, Public Member Position, Conroe
James "Ron" Ainsworth, Secretary, Master Plumber Member Position, Midland
Darrin K. Black, Journeyman Plumber Member Position, Abilene
Milton Gutierrez, Public Member Position, Hutto
William "Bill" Klock, Professional Engineer Member Position, Austin
Thomas "Justin" MacDonald, Commercial Builder Member Position, Kerrville
Thomas "Tommy" Rice Jr., Plumbing Contractor Member Position, Houston
Norma Yado, Plumbing Inspector Member Position, McAllen
David "Dave" Yelovich, Residential Builder Member Position, Friendswood

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Under the strong leadership of our Board, the TSBPE has used the authority and resources granted during the last legislative session to modernize its examination and administrative processes, create innovative partnerships, and develop new and existing paths of licensure to support existing plumbers and build a simplified pathway for new ones. In its efforts, the Board employs licensed plumbers as Examiners and Field Investigators to ensure that examination testing procedures and investigations follow current plumbing standards and best industry practices.

The Board's administrative rules require a code of conduct on its licensees and registrants to protect public health and safety. The Board holds plumbers accountable for bad acts by implementing its statutory authority to impose fines, license suspension and revocation, and restitution on behalf of consumers when merited.

#### TRANSFORMATIVE SUCCESSES:

- The 88th legislature awarded the TSBPE with significant improvements in law and resources that provided additional staffing and allowed the modernization of services to expand the licensee population. The agency has strategically deployed its resources and leveraged innovative partnerships with other agencies to make the following improvements:
- Expanded Testing Opportunities: Computer Based Testing and Expanded Practical Exam Sites contributed to a 50% growth rate in examinations.
- Implemented and refined online applications and renewal processes. Outreach and training efforts of online processes resulted in 92% of renewals and 68% of new applications completed online.
- · Expanded on-line information and processes with detailed HOW TO's
- Increased Public Safety through 54,790 fingerprint background checks conducted to date.
- Supported workforce development in approval and implementation of the Tradesman limited license, with both state and local career and technical colleges along with many school districts across the state.
- Reduced administrative barriers by increasing opportunities for reciprocity with Louisiana and Arkansas.
- Expanded Licensing Opportunities for Veterans, Active Military, and Military Spouses.
- Managed crisis with dedicated staff to respond to severe weather disasters.
- Developed a new program to track the progress of high school students entering the plumbing industry.
- Developed "ASK KEVIN" a Chat bot assistant to quickly answer frequently asked questions for plumbers and consumers.

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TSBPE has worked diligently over the last two years to establish secure Computer Based Testing (CBT). Computer Based Testing is now available nationwide with 40 Texas locations. This expansion has lifted the burden of travel costs and lost work for many examinees that previously traveled to Austin to test for licensure and reduced wait times for applicants. In addition, it has provided an opportunity for those planning to relocate to Texas, an expedited avenue to enter the booming Texas work force.

Furthermore, the TSBPE has leveraged resources in a strategic partnership to deliver practical examinations at an additional testing site in Waco on the Texas State Technical College campus (TSTC). Practical examinations began in August 2022 in Waco. Further plans to create a third practical testing facility in Harlingen, Texas and the build-out of a mobile testing facility are also in the planning stages. The TSBPE eagerly looks forward to continuing its excellent work to improve and expand our service to applicants, our regulated population, and the people of Texas.

The High School Accelerated Training (HAT) is an original and innovative program to support workforce development and training opportunities for high school students participating in "fast-track" tradesman education programs created by the 87th Legislature. The Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners has systematically reached out to support participating students and is offering to waive application fees for any students who wish to register as an apprentice. This has allowed students to find well-paying summer jobs and accumulate professional hours toward advanced licensure. These hours are a permanent part of students' professional records with TSBPE, regardless of if they finish the high school tradesman program. Therefore, students' investments of time and effort to advance in the plumbing industry is never lost and provides a second path to successful employment should they wish to continue their education and training on-the-job.

The TSBPE has created forms, web-information, and contact staff to help support not only students, but their teachers and schools. The agency has participated in career day and outreach efforts at numerous schools to demonstrate plumbing technology to students and inform them of the lucrative careers in this highly sought after industry. TSBPE has also partnered with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to provide school districts with information on its HAT program to fully support the legislature's intent to increase the population of plumbers for our growing state.

Advancements in technology continue to make the TSBPE more accessible to consumers and those regulated by the agency. The TSBPE is one of seven agencies utilizing the Health Professions Council (HPC) regulatory database VERSA. Through regular collaboration with educated and experienced HPC staff, the TSBPE has established not only a productive relationship to meet needed goals but has also gone above and beyond to meet the expectations of offerings to our licensee population using the shared online licensing system.

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The implementation of the exam request self-scheduling module has allowed examinees the ability to view and select all available practical exam dates in the Waco and Austin locations.

By providing license and disciplinary history on the TSBPE website, the public can make educated decisions when selecting a plumber. The consumer can locate a compliant plumber or plumbing company in their area. The Board also continues to operate as a "clearing house" for the ever-growing pool of Master Plumbers serving as a Responsible Master Plumber (RMP) and operating plumbing companies in this State by storing and verifying certificates of insurance, processing company name changes, and verifying RMP status for political subdivisions such as municipalities, so they may receive plumbing permits as required by the Plumbing License Law. The TSBPE website also offers guidance to registrants, plumbers and inspectors regarding required education and length of training when progressing through the industry career ladder.

With the expansion of the agency's ongoing Consumer Education and Public Outreach strategy, which includes the use of technology, the TSBPE will increase its availability to provide consumer education and outreach on the importance of the vital and essential role that licensed plumbing professionals play in safeguarding the public's health and well-being. The implementation of our Chatbot technology "ASK KEVIN" is providing quick accurate answers regarding regulation and licensing processes. The "ASK KEVIN" feature is available 24/7 and has reduced the wait time for answers as well as eliminated some strain on staff returning calls.

TSBPE's long-standing commitment to support the state's growing need for plumbers, outside emergency efforts, is shown in the increase in its overall regulated population and its out-of-state licensing statistics. The TSBPE license population includes 1,267 out-of-state licensees as well as over 700 experienced veterans, military spouses and enlisted service members.

To continue its path of transformative success, the agency needs further resources to implement and support its forward-thinking strategies and expand its demonstrated successes.

The Board would also like to request that the Executive Director (Exempt Position) salary be moved to group Level 4. The Executive Director salary is currently set at Group Level 3 with a Cap of \$129,377. The current Executive Director has been employed by the Board for 28 years and is licensed as a Master Plumber and Plumbing Inspector. This allows the Executive Director to carry out the mandatory functions of the Board including the approval of education, education providers, and authorship of all the licensing and endorsement examinations. In addition, the Executive Director also has the technical ability to hire competent licensed plumbers for multiple positions that are statutorily mandated to be filled by licensed plumbers at the agency. The TSBPE has fourteen staff positions that are licensed plumbers, including the Director of Enforcement, all Examiners and Field Investigators. Over the last decade the number of licensees has more than tripled. The

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larger licensee base, number of employees (FTEs), and other responsibilities of the Executive Director necessitate the need for a more competitive salary. The larger licensee base and number of employees has added to the responsibilities of the Executive Director and necessitates a more competitive salary. In addition, the agency must plan for future recruiting and hiring for this position. Candidates that are experienced and knowledgeable of the industry will require and should expect the Board to offer a competitive salary.

The exceptional items requested demonstrate what the agency will need to continue its path of transformational success to support the growing workforce and the people of Texas:

### 1. Agency Relocation and Buildout of a Larger Facility

TSBPE currently resides in a 15,273 square-foot leased facility costing approximately \$353,299 per year. TSBPE has been located at their 929 East 41st St. location since 1981. The existing lease expires August 31, 2025. In working with the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC), the TSBPE has reviewed the feasibility of a nearby larger state-owned facility with approximately 23,533 square feet that will have no monthly lease cost. TSBPE would like to relocate to the larger state-owned facility which will provide much needed additional space for the agency's currently cramped workforce, ample parking for visitors, staff and examinees, and further expansion of our on-site practical examination center while saving the state money by eliminating an annual lease expense of at least \$353,299. The larger facility will require some updates and build-out costs that are yet to be determined. The TSBPE is currently in the process of obtaining the cost for the physical move of staff offices and the existing testing center as well. The end result could provide for recovery of the one-time expense in as little as two to three years and future years with no lease costs. This cost would be a one-time cost in Fiscal Year 2026. If it is decided that the Board will continue to lease its current location, this exceptional item request will not be needed and will be withdrawn.

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$1 (Unknown costs at the time of this request)
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$0 (Unknown costs at the time of this request)

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### 2. Facility Lease Extension

TSBPE's current lease expires on August 31, 2025. Negotiations with the current building owner through the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) are ongoing to possibly provide for another extension of the current building lease. However, the last rent increase was excessive. The Board is also considering relocation to a larger State-owned facility and vacating the existing facility due to the excessive cost. While it is most desired that the TSBPE relocate to the larger State-owned facility and vacate the current facility, neither option has yet to be finalized. If TSBPE does extend the lease for the current facility, it will require annual lease escalation costs. The estimate of escalation costs over the current and previously increased annual amount of \$353,299 for FY 2026 and FY 2027 is approximately ten percent (10%) and fifteen percent (15%), respectively. If the Board relocates to the larger State-owned facility, this exceptional item request will not be needed and will be withdrawn.

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$35,330
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$52,995

#### 3. Retain Qualified Staff

To compete for and retain workers to carry out the mission of the agency, TSBPE is requesting a salary increase of approximately 10%. This will help to ensure sufficient staffing to continue our work serving the people of Texas and competitive compensation for our employees. The thriving Texas economy brings new talent to the Austin area daily but high housing costs and inflation levels coupled with lower-than-market salaries can produce recruiting difficulties. TSBPE must maintain competitive market wages with other businesses and other State agencies.

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$325,046
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$325,046

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### 3. Additional Staffing Needed – FTEs (7)

Seven additional positions for Licensing, Enforcement, Legal Support, and Administration are requested to support an expansion of construction activity statewide due to the State's population growth and favorable economic climate resulting in the need for additional services provided by the TSBPE.

- (2) Program Specialist II Examiners for the new Harlingen Examination Center
- Fiscal Year 2026 \$137,430
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$129,048
- (1) Customer Service Representative II Additional Licensing support
- Fiscal Year 2026 \$51,466
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$47,994
- (1) Administrative Assistant III Additional Enforcement support
- Fiscal Year 2026 \$51,466
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$47,994
- (1) Legal Assistant III Legal Support for Enforcement Department
- Fiscal Year 2026 \$59,998
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$56,171
- (1) Program Specialist II Investigator for fast-tracking complaints regarding unlicensed internet advertisers.
- Fiscal Year 2026 \$68,715
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$64,524
- (1) Program Specialist II Examiner / Driver Combined duties of Examiner and Mobile Unit Driver
- Fiscal Year 2026 \$79,771
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$75,115

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- Totals for additional staffing
- Fiscal Year 2026 total \$448,846
- Fiscal Year 2027 total \$420,846

### 5. Exempt Position Salary increase

Reposition the Executive Director salary to better align with similarly positioned agencies based on number of employees and license population. The salary range should be moved from Group Level 3 to Group Level 4 and move the Cap to \$171.688. The Board is requesting the below additional funding to assist with the Executive Director's future salary increases in the coming two years. In addition, the Board must plan for future recruiting and hiring for this position should it be needed. Candidates that are experienced and knowledgeable of the industry will require and should expect the Board to offer a competitive salary.

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$22,623
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$37,623

#### 6.Outreach and Public Education Videos

Funding is requested to continue conducting community outreach and public awareness to promote the plumbing trade as a professionally and financially rewarding career option by conducting numerous awareness campaigns through community events and trade schools, middle schools, high schools, community and technical colleges, universities, municipal building and inspection departments, plumbing firms, and trade associations. Outreach has been particularly effective at the high school level where the TSBPE attends career days to promote the plumbing profession while offering a fee waiver for those wanting to obtain the Apprentice registration credential while in high school. This request will also pay for the creation of ten (10) custom-made outreach videos on frequently asked subjects regarding system use and navigation, that are currently only on paper as HOW TO instructional documents. In addition, a video directed at the consumer through community organizations of the hazards of cross connections and backflow in plumbing system that can and do occur in plumbing systems. This video will also be directed at the Apprentice plumber as a learning tool in the role the professional plumber plays in protecting health and safety.

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$125,000
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$125,000

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#### 7. External Financial Audit

TSBPE is requesting funding to secure an external audit firm to conduct an audit of the financial records of the TSBPE. This will help to ensure compliance with applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Governmental Accounting Standards and other accounting rules. An external audit will also potentially improve the TSBPE's internal controls over financial reporting, provide an independent perspective on the agency's financial operations, identify weaknesses, reduce waste, and increase agency efficiency. This would be a one-time request.

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$35,000
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$0

#### 8. Customer Focused Online Service Enhancements

TSBPE is requesting funding to enhance and improve the HPC (Health Professions Council) Shared Regulatory Database system known as VERSA which is used to maintain licensee and registrant information. The areas of enhancement include allowing for improved electronic communication capabilities with licensees, registrants, and the public. Functionality improvements include electronic license and registration renewals with the opportunity to obtain an electronic license card for displaying on your smart phone. As well as an improved online experience for company users that have a large number of employee licenses on one account. The upgrades will be developed over a two-year period injunction with the Health Professions Council (HPC). In addition, the TSBPE will participate in a joint venture with the other State agencies who use Versa to enable the online payment of agency assessed administrative penalties.

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$75,000
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$92,000

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### 9. Agency Vehicle Replacements (2)

TSBPE is requesting two new vehicles to replace older vehicles with high mileage and higher maintenance costs. The agency would like to replace a 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe with approximately 130,000 miles and a 2011 Chevrolet Impala also with more than 130,000 miles. The request includes the cost of the vehicles, extended maintenance agreements, TSBPE, and emblems and badging, to prepare the vehicles for State service. The Tahoe is used to pull one of the agency demonstration trailers to events around the state.

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$47,000
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$69,500

### 10. Harlingen Examination Center and Mobile Testing Unit

Additional Funding is requested for examination facility buildout in Harlingen and the design and build of a mobile testing unit that will begin traveling throughout the State to provide hands-on practical examinations for plumbing professionals. The TSBPE is leveraging an agreement with Texas State Technical College (TSTC) for the use of an existing building at their Harlingen campus for an examination center and the acquisition of a truck and trailer. Build-outs, tools and materials will be needed to complete this project. Specific costs for certain portions of this project are yet to be determined. The ability to provide examinations in a variety of locations is in keeping with the ever growing need to expand the plumbing profession.

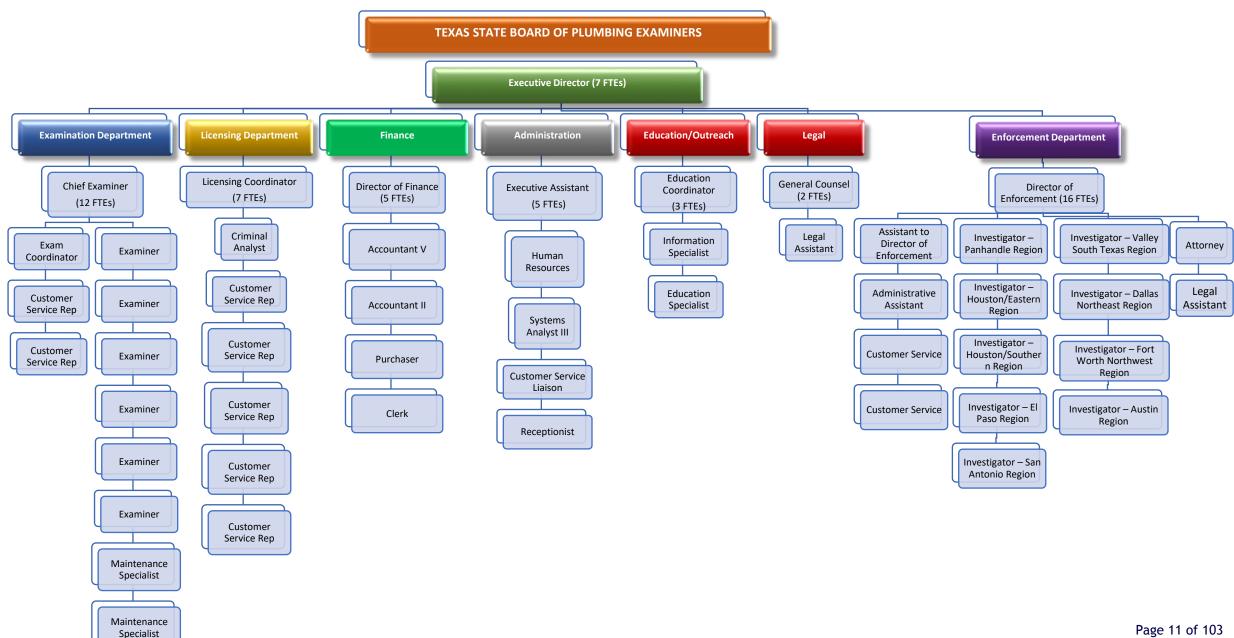
- Fiscal Year 2026 \$150,000
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$150,000

#### TOTAL AGENCY REQUESTS:

- Fiscal Year 2026 \$1,263,846
- Fiscal Year 2027 \$1,273,010
- Total Biennium Request \$2,536,856

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# CERTIFICATE

# Agency Name TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS

This is to certify that the information contained in the agency Legislative Appropriations Request filed with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and the Office of the Governor, Budget and Policy Division, is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that the electronic submission to the LBB via the Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) and the PDF file submitted via the LBB Document Submission application are identical.

Additionally, should it become likely at any time that unexpended balances will accrue for any account, the LBB and the Office of the Governor will be notified in writing in accordance with House Bill 1, Article IX, Section 7.01, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, 2023.

Chief Executive Office or Presiding Judge	Board or Commission Chair
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Signature	Signature
LISA G HILL	FRANK S DENTON
Printed Name	Printed Name
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	BOARD CHAIRMAN
Title	Title
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Date	Date
Chief Financial Officer	
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Signature	
DAN KREUSCHER	
Printed Name	
DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS	
Title	
AUGUST 16, 2024	
Date	

### **Budget Overview - Biennial Amounts**

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			456	Board of Plum	bing Examiners						
	GENERAL REVE	ENUE FUNDS		Appropriation Years: 2026-27  GR DEDICATED FEDERAL FUNDS O		OTHER F	OTHER FUNDS ALL FUNDS			EXCEPTIONAL ITEM FUNDS	
	2024-25	2026-27	2024-25	2026-27	2024-25	2026-27	2024-25	2026-27	2024-25	2026-27	2026-27
Goal: 1. Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers											
1.1.1. Examine And License Plumbers	3,494,442	3,505,377					3,775	4,000	3,498,217	3,509,377	1,258,891
1.1.2. Texas.Gov	310,000	310,000							310,000	310,000	
1.1.3. Inspections And Enforcement	2,774,748	2,665,000					2,952		2,777,700	2,665,000	792,570
1.1.4. Consumer Education/Public	364,905	494,200					77,168	46,000	442,073	540,200	282,552
Awareness											
Total, Goal	6,944,095	6,974,577					83,895	50,000	7,027,990	7,024,577	2,334,013
Goal: 2. Indirect Administration											
2.1.1. Indirect Admin	912,071	907,200					115		912,186	907,200	202,843
Total, Goal	912,071	907,200					115		912,186	907,200	202,843
Total, Agency	7,856,166	7,881,777					84,010	50,000	7,940,176	7,931,777	2,536,856
Total FTEs									51.0	51.0	7.0

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### 2.A. Summary of Base Request by Strategy

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Goal / Objective / STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers					
1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules					
1 EXAMINE AND LICENSE PLUMBERS	1,317,789	1,701,559	1,796,658	1,754,689	1,754,688
2 TEXAS.GOV	169,915	155,000	155,000	155,000	155,000
3 INSPECTIONS AND ENFORCEMENT	1,088,462	1,445,200	1,332,500	1,332,500	1,332,500
4 CONSUMER EDUCATION/PUBLIC AWARENESS	133,983	221,973	220,100	270,100	270,100
TOTAL, GOAL 1	\$2,710,149	\$3,523,732	\$3,504,258	\$3,512,289	\$3,512,288
2 Indirect Administration					
1 Indirect Administration					
1 INDIRECT ADMIN	312,957	458,486	453,700	453,600	453,600
TOTAL, GOAL 2	\$312,957	\$458,486	\$453,700	\$453,600	\$453,600
TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST	\$3,023,106	\$3,982,218	\$3,957,958	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888

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Goal / Objective / STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
TOTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST*				\$0	\$0
GRAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST	\$3,023,106	\$3,982,218	\$3,957,958	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888
METHOD OF FINANCING:					
General Revenue Funds:					
1 General Revenue Fund	3,005,338	3,923,808	3,932,358	3,940,889	3,940,888
SUBTOTAL	\$3,005,338	\$3,923,808	\$3,932,358	\$3,940,889	\$3,940,888
Other Funds:					
666 Appropriated Receipts	17,768	58,410	25,600	25,000	25,000
SUBTOTAL	\$17,768	\$58,410	\$25,600	\$25,000	\$25,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$3,023,106	\$3,982,218	\$3,957,958	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888

<sup>\*</sup>Rider appropriations for the historical years are included in the strategy amounts.

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gency code: 456 Agency nat	me: Board of Plu	mbing Examiners			
THOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
GENERAL REVENUE					
1 General Revenue Fund					
REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA)	\$2,806,112	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA)	r.o.	Ф2 075 000	ф2 022 250	ΦO	φo
	\$0	\$3,875,808	\$3,932,358	\$0	\$0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2026-27 GAA)					
	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,940,889	\$3,940,888
RIDER APPROPRIATION					
Art IX, Sec 9.05, Texas.gov Project: Occupational Licenses (2022					
	\$14,915	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Art IX, Sec 18.08, Contingency for House Bill 636 (2022-23 GAA	A				
	\$110,572	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Comments:</b> Relating to the functions of the Texas State Boar Examiners	rd of Plumbing				
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METHOD OF FI	NANCING		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
GENERAL R	<u>EVENUE</u>						
S	SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular Sess	ion	\$16,458	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Comments: State Employe	ee Salary Increase					
SUI	PPLEMENTAL, SPECIAL OR	EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS					
S	SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular Sessi	ion	\$48,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Comments: Motor Vehicle	e Purchase					
LAI	PSED APPROPRIATIONS						
I	HB 2, 87th Leg, Regular Session	on	\$(15,424)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Comments: Motor Vehicle	e Purchase					
A	Art IX, Sec 9.05, Texas.gov Pro	oject: Occupational Licenses (2022-23					
•			\$(4,043)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
UN.	EXPENDED BALANCES AU	THORITY					
H	HB 2, 87th Leg, Regular Session	on	\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
			,	**	**	**	70

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METHOD OF FIN	NANCING		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
GENERAL RE	<u>EVENUE</u>						
	Comments: Motor Vehicle Purc	hases					
Н	B 2, 87th Leg, Regular Session		\$(48,000)	\$48,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Comments: Motor Vehicle Purc	hase					
Н	B 2, 87th Leg, Regular Session		\$16,748	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Comments: SEC.35 IT VERSA	Regulatory Database					
TOTAL,	General Revenue Fund		\$3,005,338	\$3,923,808	\$3,932,358	\$3,940,889	\$3,940,888
TOTAL, ALL	GENERAL REVENUE		\$3,005,338	\$3,923,808	\$3,932,358	\$3,940,889	\$3,940,888
OTHER FUNI	<u>DS</u>						
	ropriated Receipts						
Ro	egular Appropriations from MOF T	Table (2022-23 GAA)	\$25,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Agency code: 456 Agency name:	Board of Plur	nbing Examiners			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
OTHER FUNDS  Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA)	¢o.	225 (00)	£25 (00	\$0	\$0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2026-27 GAA)	\$0	\$25,600	\$25,600		
RIDER APPROPRIATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
Art IX, Sec 8.02, Reimbursements and Payments (2022-23 GAA)	\$5,777	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Insurance Reimbursement for Damaged State Vehicle Art IX, Sec 8.02, Reimbursements and Payments (2022-23 GAA)	2				
Comments: Reimbursement of CPE Provider Expenses	\$3,040	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Art IX, Sec 8.02, Reimbursements and Payments (2024-25 GAA)	\$0	\$2,952	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Insurance Reimbursement for Damaged State Vehicle	•				
Art IX, Sec 8.02, Reimbursements and Payments (2024-25 GAA)					

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Agency code: 456	Agency name: Board of Plum	bing Examiners			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
OTHER FUNDS	\$0	\$760	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Reimbursement of CPE Provider Expe	enses				
LAPSED APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GA.	A) \$(821)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Comments:</b> Uncollected Copying Fees and Sale of Available Online for Free)	Law & Rule Books (Now				
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GA.	A) \$(521)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Uncollected Surplus Property -Sale of	Scrap Metal				
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GA.	A) \$(10,200)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Uncollected Conference & Seminar Fe	ees				
UNEXPENDED BALANCES AUTHORITY					
Article IX, Section 8.07, Seminars & Conferences (202	2-2023) \$23,991	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: UB from 2022 to 2023					

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Agency code:	456	Agency name:	Board of Plu	mbing Examiners			
METHOD OF FIN	ANCING		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
OTHER FUNI	<u>os</u>						
Aı	rticle IX, Section 8.07, Seminars &	& Conferences (2024-2025)	\$(29,098)	\$29,098	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Comments: UB from 2023 to 2	024					
TOTAL,	Appropriated Receipts						
			\$17,768	\$58,410	\$25,600	\$25,000	\$25,000
TOTAL, ALL	OTHER FUNDS		\$17,768	\$58,410	\$25,600	\$25,000	\$25,000
GRAND TOTAL			\$3,023,106	\$3,982,218	\$3,957,958	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888

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Agency code: 456 Agency name	Board of Plum	bing Examiners			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
FULL-TIME-EQUIVALENT POSITIONS					
REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA)	39.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA)	0.0	51.0	51.0	0.0	0.0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2026-27 GAA)	0.0	0.0	0.0	51.0	51.0
RIDER APPROPRIATION					
HB 636, Regular Session (2022-2023)	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Comments:</b> Relating to functions of the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners					
UNAUTHORIZED NUMBER OVER (BELOW) CAP					
Turnover/Vacancies	(7.6)	(14.3)	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL, ADJUSTED FTES	34.4	36.7	51.0	51.0	51.0
NUMBER OF 100% FEDERALLY FUNDED					
TEs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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# 2.C. Summary of Base Request by Object of Expense

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# 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

OBJECT OF EXPENSE	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$1,864,201	\$2,183,535	\$2,418,158	\$2,426,689	\$2,426,688
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$73,803	\$83,200	\$92,400	\$93,400	\$93,400
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$81,199	\$140,200	\$135,000	\$135,000	\$135,000
2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$8,164	\$10,024	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$22,855	\$28,700	\$27,000	\$27,000	\$27,000
2004 UTILITIES	\$64,665	\$68,700	\$67,700	\$67,700	\$67,700
2005 TRAVEL	\$43,889	\$72,000	\$72,000	\$72,000	\$72,000
2006 RENT - BUILDING	\$233,597	\$384,500	\$385,500	\$385,500	\$385,500
2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$17,552	\$21,800	\$21,100	\$21,100	\$21,100
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$568,605	\$881,559	\$728,600	\$727,000	\$727,000
5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$44,576	\$108,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
OOE Total (Excluding Riders)	\$3,023,106	\$3,982,218	\$3,957,958	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888
OOE Total (Riders) Grand Total	\$3,023,106	\$3,982,218	\$3,957,958	\$0 \$3,965,889	\$0 \$3,965,888

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# 2.D. Summary of Base Request Objective Outcomes

89th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation system of Texas (ABEST)

# 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

Goal/ Obje	ective / Outcome	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
	re Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers  Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rule.	s				
KEY	1 Percentage of Complaints Resolved Resulting in Disc	iplinary Action				
		53.80%	53.00%	53.00%	53.00%	53.00%
KEY	2 Percentage of Licensees/Registrants with No Recent	Violations				
		98.90%	98.00%	98.00%	98.00%	98.00%
	3 Percentage of Documented Complaints Resolved Wit	hin Six Months				
		77.90%	66.00%	66.00%	66.00%	66.00%

# 2.E. Summary of Exceptional Items Request

89th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) DATE: **8/23/2024**TIME: **4:08:41PM** 

Agency code: 456

Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

			2026			2027		Bien	nium
Priori	ty Item	GR and GR/GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds
1	Agency Relocation & New Buildout	\$1	\$1		\$0	\$0		\$1	\$1
2	Facility Lease Extension	\$35,330	\$35,330		\$52,995	\$52,995		\$88,325	\$88,325
3	Retain Qualified Staff	\$325,046	\$325,046		\$325,046	\$325,046		\$650,092	\$650,092
4	Additional Staffing (7 FTEs Needed	\$448,846	\$448,846	7.0	\$420,846	\$420,846	7.0	\$869,692	\$869,692
5	Exempt Position Salary Increase	\$22,623	\$22,623		\$37,623	\$37,623		\$60,246	\$60,246
6	Community Outreach/Public Awareness	\$125,000	\$125,000		\$125,000	\$125,000		\$250,000	\$250,000
7	External Financial Audit	\$35,000	\$35,000		\$0	\$0		\$35,000	\$35,000
8	Customer Online Enhancements	\$75,000	\$75,000		\$92,000	\$92,000		\$167,000	\$167,000
9	Vehicle Replacements (2)	\$47,000	\$47,000		\$69,500	\$69,500		\$116,500	\$116,500
10	Harlingen Exams/Mobile Testing Unit	\$150,000	\$150,000		\$150,000	\$150,000		\$300,000	\$300,000
Total,	Exceptional Items Request	\$1,263,846	\$1,263,846	7.0	\$1,273,010	\$1,273,010	7.0	\$2,536,856	\$2,536,856
	od of Financing	\$1,263,846	\$1,263,846		\$1,273,010	\$1,273,010		\$2,536,856	\$2,536,856
G	eneral Revenue - Dedicated	¥-, <u>-</u> ,-	¥-,=,- · · ·		<i>4-,</i> -,-,-,	¥-,-,-, · · ·		4_,0000,0000	¥-,•••,•••
Fe	ederal Funds								
O	ther Funds								
	_	\$1,263,846	\$1,263,846		\$1,273,010	\$1,273,010		\$2,536,856	\$2,536,856
Full T	ime Equivalent Positions			7.0			7.0		

# 2.E. Summary of Exceptional Items Request

89th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) DATE: **8/23/2024** TIME: **4:08:41PM** 

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Agency code: 456		Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners								
		2026			2027			Biennium		
Priority Item	GR and GR/GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds		

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**Number of 100% Federally Funded FTEs** 

# 2.F. Summary of Total Request by Strategy

89th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) DATE : TIME : 8/23/2024 4:09:10PM

Agency code: 456 Agency name: Boa	rd of Plumbing Examiners					
Goal/Objective/STRATEGY	Base 2026	Base 2027	Exceptional 2026	Exceptional 2027	Total Request 2026	Total Request 2027
1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers						
1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Ru	les					
1 EXAMINE AND LICENSE PLUMBERS	\$1,754,689	\$1,754,688	\$621,880	\$637,011	\$2,376,569	\$2,391,699
2 TEXAS.GOV	155,000	155,000	0	0	155,000	155,000
3 INSPECTIONS AND ENFORCEMENT	1,332,500	1,332,500	389,993	402,577	1,722,493	1,735,077
4 CONSUMER EDUCATION/PUBLIC AWARENESS	270,100	270,100	141,126	141,426	411,226	411,526
TOTAL, GOAL 1	\$3,512,289	\$3,512,288	\$1,152,999	\$1,181,014	\$4,665,288	\$4,693,302
2 Indirect Administration						
1 Indirect Administration						
1 INDIRECT ADMIN	453,600	453,600	110,847	91,996	564,447	545,596
TOTAL, GOAL 2	\$453,600	\$453,600	\$110,847	\$91,996	\$564,447	\$545,596
TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888	\$1,263,846	\$1,273,010	\$5,229,735	\$5,238,898
TOTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GRAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888	\$1,263,846	\$1,273,010	\$5,229,735	\$5,238,898

# 2.F. Summary of Total Request by Strategy

89th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) DATE: TIME: 8/23/2024 4:09:10PM

Agency code: 456	Agency name:	<b>Board of Plumbing Examiners</b>					_
Goal/Objective/STRATEGY		Base 2026	Base 2027	Exceptional 2026	Exceptional 2027	Total Request 2026	Total Request 2027
General Revenue Funds:							
1 General Revenue Fund		\$3,940,889	\$3,940,888	\$1,263,846	\$1,273,010	\$5,204,735	\$5,213,898
		\$3,940,889	\$3,940,888	\$1,263,846	\$1,273,010	\$5,204,735	\$5,213,898
Other Funds:							
666 Appropriated Receipts		25,000	25,000	0	0	25,000	25,000
		\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING		\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888	\$1,263,846	\$1,273,010	\$5,229,735	\$5,238,898
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION	IS	51.0	51.0	7.0	7.0	58.0	58.0

# 2.G. Summary of Total Request Objective Outcomes

Date: 8/23/2024
Time: 4:09:35PM

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Agency code: 456	Agenc	y name: <b>Board of Plumbing E</b>	xaminers			
Goal/ Objective / Outco	BL 2026	BL 2027	Excp 2026	Excp 2027	Total Request 2026	Total Request 2027
	blic Health by Licensing an and License Applicants, Enf	d Registering Plumbers Force the Act and Board Rules				
KEY 1 Perce	entage of Complaints Reso	lved Resulting in Disciplinary	Action			
	53.00%	53.00%			53.00%	53.00%
KEY 2 Perce	entage of Licensees/Registr	rants with No Recent Violation	18			
	98.00%	98.00%			98.00%	98.00%
3 Perce	entage of Documented Cor	nplaints Resolved Within Six I	Months			
	66.00%	66.00%			66.00%	66.00%

### 3.A. Strategy Request

89th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

### 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

STRATEGY: 1 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses

Service Categories:

Service: 16

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output Measures:					
KEY 1 Number of New Licenses, Registrations and Endors Issued	ements 10,671.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
KEY 2 Number of Licenses, Registrations and Endorsemen Renewed	43,965.00	45,000.00	45,200.00	45,500.00	45,800.00
3 Number of Individuals Examined	9,616.00	10,000.00	10,500.00	11,000.00	11,500.00
Efficiency Measures:					
1 Average Time to Issue Examination Results	1.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Explanatory/Input Measures:					
1 Pass Rate	72.30 %	70.90 %	71.00 %	72.00 %	72.00 %
KEY 2 Total Number of Individuals Licensed, Registered a Endorsed	nd 75,794.00	75,500.00	75,800.00	76,000.00	76,200.00
Objects of Expense:					
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$767,337	\$916,535	\$1,096,158	\$1,054,689	\$1,054,688
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$27,933	\$36,000	\$45,000	\$46,000	\$46,000
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$43,159	\$46,000	\$45,000	\$45,000	\$45,000
2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$0	\$24	\$0	\$0	\$0
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$14,191	\$17,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000

### 3.A. Strategy Request

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### 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

STRATEGY: 1 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses

Service Categories:

Service: 16

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

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CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
2004	UTILITIES	\$34,160	\$37,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000
2005	TRAVEL	\$15,983	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$155,896	\$284,000	\$284,000	\$284,000	\$284,000
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$12,412	\$16,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$246,718	\$340,000	\$251,500	\$250,000	\$250,000
5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL,	OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$1,317,789	\$1,701,559	\$1,796,658	\$1,754,689	\$1,754,688
Method o	of Financing:					
1	General Revenue Fund	\$1,316,531	\$1,700,284	\$1,794,158	\$1,752,689	\$1,752,688
SUBTO	TAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$1,316,531	\$1,700,284	\$1,794,158	\$1,752,689	\$1,752,688
Method o	of Financing:					
666	Appropriated Receipts	\$1,258	\$1,275	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$2,000
SUBTO	TAL, MOF (OTHER FUNDS)	\$1,258	\$1,275	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$2,000
Rider Ap	propriations:					
666	Appropriated Receipts					
	1 1 Surplus Scrap Metal				\$0	\$0

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#### 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

GOAL: Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

**OBJECTIVE:** Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses

Service Categories:

Service: 16

Age: B.3

Income: A.2

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 2027
TOTAL, RID	DER & UNEXPENDED BALANCES APPROP				\$0	\$0
TOTAL, ME	THOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$1,754,689	\$1,754,688
TOTAL, ME	THOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$1,317,789	\$1,701,559	\$1,796,658	\$1,754,689	\$1,754,688
FULL TIME	EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	13.6	15.4	25.0	25.0	25.0

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

STRATEGY:

The Board employs Examiners to "examine the fitness and qualifications of a person applying for a license." This begins with application reviews, including applicants with criminal histories and individuals coming from another state or foreign country. Separate examinations are given for the following licenses and/or special endorsements: Journeyman, Master, Tradesman, Medical Gas Piping Installation, Water Supply Protection Specialist, Multipurpose Residential Fire Protection Sprinkler Specialist and Plumbing Inspector. Except for the Water Supply Protection Specialist, all exams consist of thorough written and hands-on-practical sessions that ensure licensed plumbers and plumbing inspectors have the qualifications, knowledge, skills, and competencies to do their jobs properly. The life of any plumbing system, large or small, is directly related to the preparation and assembly of the materials that go into the making of that system. It is difficult to detect improper preparation of materials once they are assembled and installed in the plumbing system, until the system fails. The failure of a plumbing system can result in considerable expense to the consumer, fires, explosions, serious health problems or even death. For this reason, the practical portion of a plumbing exam is critical to ensure the applicant can demonstrate their ability to properly prepare and assemble plumbing materials used in plumbing systems. Once a person successfully receives a registration or license, it must be renewed annually by meeting all renewal requirements.

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**456 Board of Plumbing Examiners** 

GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses

Service Categories:

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION

STRATEGY:

Exp 2023

Est 2024

**Bud 2025** 

Service: 16

**BL 2026** 

BL 2027

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

Current population projections for Texas indicate there will be continued growth. As the Texas citizen population increases, so will the demands on the agency and agency staff. The Texas Economic Forecast, prepared by the Texas Demographic Center, conservatively predicts between a 1.1% to 1.5% annual increase in the Texas resident population each year through 2031, with a strong probability to exceed the predicted amount. These increases in population will increase the demand for licensed plumbers, plumber's apprentices, and plumbing inspectors. This, in turn will increase the demands on the agency, especially in the areas of issuance and renewal of licenses and registrations, examinations, enforcement, complaint investigation and compliance checks. A continued significant increase in the number of licenses and registrations issued and renewed is expected, as well as an increase in complaints that will be filed by Texas citizens.

#### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

 STRATEGY BIENNIA Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS  Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	BIENNIAL CHANGE	EXPLAN \$ Amount	NATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE  Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
\$3,498,217	\$3,509,377	\$11,160	\$11,160	Mostly due to additional pipe needed for hands-on practical examinations, due to the increase in examinations being given. From (2009) Other Operating Expenses, MOF is General Revenue Fund 0001.
		_	\$11,160	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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#### 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

2 Texas.gov. Estimated and Nontransferable

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

Service Categories:

Service: 16

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 2027
Objects of Expense:					
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$169,915	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$169,915	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000
Method of Financing:					
1 General Revenue Fund	\$169,915	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$169,915	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$155,000	\$155,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$169,915	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000	\$155,000

FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:

STRATEGY:

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Subscription (online) fees paid to Texas.Gov

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

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		456 Boar	rd of Plumbing Exam	niners			
GOAL:	1 Ensure Public Hea	Ith by Licensing and Registering Plumbers					
OBJECTIVE:	BJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules Service Categories:						
STRATEGY:	2 Texas.gov. Estimat	ed and Nontransferable			Service: 16	Income: A.2	Age: B.3
CODE	DESCRIPTION		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
EXPLANATION	N OF BIENNIAL CHANGE	(includes Rider amounts):					
	STRATEGY BIENNIA	L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	BIENNIAL	EXPLA	NATION OF BIENN	IAL CHANGE	
Base Spend	ding (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of A	mount (must specify M	IOFs and FTEs)
	\$310,000	\$310,000	\$0				

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### 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

STRATEGY: 3 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints

Service Categories:

Service: 16 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	T	77 . 2024		DT -00-6	
CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output Measures:					
KEY 1 Total Number of Compliance Checks Performed	9,255.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
2 Number of Continuing Education Seminars & Training Sessions Conducted	25.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
KEY 3 Number of Investigations Conducted	646.00	700.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
KEY 4 Number of Complaints Resolved	734.00	730.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
Efficiency Measures:					
KEY 1 Average Time for Complaint Resolution	114.00	135.00	130.00	125.00	125.00
Explanatory/Input Measures:					
KEY 1 Percentage of Compliance Checks Found with Violations	3.60%	3.80 %	3.75 %	3.75 %	3.75 %
KEY 2 Number of Jurisdictional Complaints Received	788.00	780.00	770.00	770.00	770.00
Objects of Expense:					
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$809,871	\$850,000	\$902,000	\$902,000	\$902,000
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$32,516	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$34,000
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$18,670	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$8,164	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$6,774	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000
2004 UTILITIES	\$17,481	\$19,000	\$19,000	\$19,000	\$19,000

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\$5,777

GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

**SUBTOTAL, MOF (OTHER FUNDS)** 

OBJECTIVE: Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules Service Categories:

3 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, In STRATEGY:

STRATEGY: 3 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints			Service: 16	Income: A.2	Age: B.3
CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
2005 TRAVEL	\$9,742	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000
2006 RENT - BUILDING	\$21,963	\$42,000	\$42,000	\$42,000	\$42,000
2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$3,811	\$4,200	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$114,894	\$317,000	\$260,000	\$260,000	\$260,000
5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$44,576	\$108,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$1,088,462	\$1,445,200	\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500
Method of Financing:					
1 General Revenue Fund	\$1,082,685	\$1,442,248	\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$1,082,685	\$1,442,248	\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500
Method of Financing:					
666 Appropriated Receipts	\$5,777	\$2,952	\$0	\$0	\$0

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GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

STRATEGY: 3 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints

Service Categories:

Service: 16

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 2027
TOTAL, MET	THOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500
,	THOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$1,088,462	\$1,445,200	\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500	\$1,332,500
FULL TIME	EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	16.4	16.7	19.0	19.0	19.0

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Enforcement of the Plumbing License Law is critical to the health and safety of the citizens of Texas. This includes taking action against unlicensed individuals illegally engaging in plumbing and licensed individuals who may not be upholding the required standards. Unlicensed plumbing contractors are of particular concern. The exam process ensures that only qualified individuals are licensed. The Board takes action against unlicensed individuals practicing in violation of the Plumbing License Law. Enforcement action by the Board can result in the non-renewal, suspension, or revocation of a license, as well as imposition of administrative penalties. The Board also monitors required Continuing Professional Education (CPE) courses to ensure minimum requirements. The regulation of plumbing installations by qualified plumbers and inspecting of those plumbing systems by qualified plumbing inspectors is critical to the health and safety of the citizens of Texas. Improperly installed plumbing systems can cause injury and death through explosions, fires, hospital medical gas contamination, and noxious fumes. They can also transmit diseases that include typhoid fever, diarrhea, cholera, and amoebic and bacterial dysentery. Improperly installed medical gas systems can deliver contaminated or cross-connected medical gases to hospital patients, causing sickness and death. The public looks to TSBPE to ensure the quality of plumbing work that it receives and expects the Board to respond to complaints regarding the plumbing industry in a timely and responsible manner.

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

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OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

3 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints

Service Categories:

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION

STRATEGY:

Exp 2023

Est 2024

**Bud 2025** 

Service: 16

BL 2026

BL 2027

Current population projections for Texas indicate there will be continued growth. As the citizen service population increases, so will the demands on agency staff. The Texas Economic Forecast, prepared by the Texas Demographic Center, conservatively predicts between a 1.1% to 1.5% annual increase in the Texas resident population each year through 2031, with a strong probability to exceed the predicted amount. These increases in population will increase the demand for licensed plumbers, plumber's apprentices, and plumbing inspectors. This, in turn will increase the demands on the agency, especially in the areas of issuance and renewal of licenses and registrations, examinations, enforcement, complaint investigation and compliance checks. A continued significant increase in the number of licenses and registrations issued and renewed is expected, as well as an increase in complaints that will be filed by Texas citizens.

#### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

STRATEGY BIENNIA	<u>L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</u>	BIENNIAL	<u>EXPLAN</u>	ATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE
Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
\$2,777,700	\$2,665,000	\$(112,700)	\$(112,700)	Most of the difference is due to the purchase of 3 vehicles during 2024-2025. The remaining difference is from purchases made in Other Operating Expenses. All were MOF-General Revenue Fund.
			\$(112,700)	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 4 Consumer Education and Public Awareness Service: 16 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
	<b>leasures:</b> # of Continuing Education and Public Awareness Seminars onducted	9.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
-	ory/Input Measures:					
	# of Individuals Attending Educational/Public Awareness minars	1,424.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	f Expense:					
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$103,521	\$142,000	\$145,000	\$195,000	\$195,000
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$4,831	\$4,700	\$4,800	\$4,800	\$4,800
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$3,708	\$32,200	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
2002	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$500
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$203	\$700	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
2004	UTILITIES	\$2,619	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
2005	TRAVEL	\$8,595	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$3,157	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$568	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$600
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$6,781	\$15,573	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
TOTAL,	OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$133,983	\$221,973	\$220,100	\$270,100	\$270,100

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GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

STRATEGY: 4 Consumer Education and Public Awareness

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Service Categories:

Service: 16 Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Method of Financing:					
1 General Revenue Fund	\$123,250	\$167,805	\$197,100	\$247,100	\$247,100
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$123,250	\$167,805	\$197,100	\$247,100	\$247,100
Method of Financing: 666 Appropriated Receipts SUBTOTAL, MOF (OTHER FUNDS)	\$10,733 <b>\$10,733</b>	\$54,168 <b>\$54,168</b>	\$23,000 <b>\$23,000</b>	\$23,000 <b>\$23,000</b>	\$23,000 <b>\$23,000</b>
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$270,100	\$270,100
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$133,983	\$221,973	\$220,100	\$270,100	\$270,100
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	1.7	1.8	3.0	3.0	3.0

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GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules

STRATEGY: 4 Consumer Education and Public Awareness

Service Categories:

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION

Exp 2023

Est 2024

**Bud 2025** 

Service: 16

BL 2026

BL 2027

This strategy works with middle schools, high schools and career technical colleges across the State, to develop programs and incentives to encourage individuals to consider the plumbing industry as a career path. The continued population growth in Texas along with an aging plumbing workforce are serious issues. Texas does not have enough licensed plumbers and registrants to meet an ever-increasing citizen demand. In addition, by providing public awareness in the use of professional licensed individuals, consumers are assured safer plumbing systems. This strategy also assists in the monitoring of Continuing Professional Education courses for compliance, ensuring that course providers, instructors and materials provide the latest and most important information to licensees and registrants. This strategy monitors the classes provided to licensees and registrants for content compliance.

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

Many educational institutions across the State are implementing trades program curriculum to educate students on the benefits of careers in the plumbing industry. Changing technologies require additional research, training, and monitoring of continuing educations courses to ensure the plumbing industry is maintaining up-to-date training on industry best practices.

#### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

STRATEGY BIENNIA Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	BIENNIAL CHANGE	EXPLAN \$ Amount	NATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE  Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
\$442,073	\$540,200	\$98,127	\$98,127	Most of the change is an expected increase in staff for this strategy during fiscal year 2025 and for the next biennium. OOE is (1001) Salaries and Wages, and MOF is the General Revenue Fund 0001.
		_	\$98,127	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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GOAL: 2 Indirect Administration

OBJECTIVE: 1 Indirect Administration

STRATEGY: 1 Indirect Administration

Service Categories:

Service: 09

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Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Objects	of Expense:					
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$183,472	\$275,000	\$275,000	\$275,000	\$275,000
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$8,523	\$8,500	\$8,600	\$8,600	\$8,600
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$15,662	\$27,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$1,687	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
2004	UTILITIES	\$10,405	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000
2005	TRAVEL	\$9,569	\$27,000	\$27,000	\$27,000	\$27,000
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$52,581	\$52,000	\$53,000	\$53,000	\$53,000
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$761	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$30,297	\$53,986	\$50,100	\$50,000	\$50,000
TOTAL	, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$312,957	\$458,486	\$453,700	\$453,600	\$453,600
Method	of Financing:					
1	General Revenue Fund	\$312,957	\$458,471	\$453,600	\$453,600	\$453,600
SUBTO	TAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$312,957	\$458,471	\$453,600	\$453,600	\$453,600
Method	of Financing:					
666	Appropriated Receipts	\$0	\$15	\$100	\$0	\$0

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GOAL: 2 Indirect Administration

OBJECTIVE: 1 Indirect Administration

Service Categories:

Service: 09

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

STRATEGY: 1 Indirect Administration

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
SUBTOTAL,	MOF (OTHER FUNDS)	\$0	\$15	\$100	\$0	\$0
TOTAL, MET	CHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$453,600	\$453,600
TOTAL, MET	THOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$312,957	\$458,486	\$453,700	\$453,600	\$453,600
FULL TIME B	EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	2.7	2.8	4.0	4.0	4.0

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Indirect Administration function provides for supervision of all agency staff. Indirect Administration performs all accounting, payroll, purchasing, reporting, human resource, information resource, risk management and other administrative tasks required by the State for the agency to operate properly and efficiently.

All expenditures including salaries are allocated between strategies when payment is made. Therefore, only true indirect administration expenditures are paid from Indirect Administration appropriations.

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

Because of the size and functions of the agency, all indirect administration staff have responsibilities that are not limited to this strategy, but also cross over to the Examination and Licensing strategy, the Inspections and Enforcement strategy, and/or the Consumer Education and Public Awareness strategy. Cross training of the indirect administration staff has allowed the agency to maintain efficiency to the best of our ability.

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GOAL: 2 Indirect Administration

OBJECTIVE: Indirect Administration

STRATEGY: 1 Indirect Administration

DESCRIPTION

\$912,186

Est 2024

Service Categories:

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE

Exp 2023

**Bud 2025** 

Service: 09

BL 2026

BL 2027

**EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):** 

STRATEGY BIENNIAL TOTAL - ALL FUNDS Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025) Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)

\$907,200

**BIENNIAL CHANGE** 

\$(4,986)

EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE \$ Amount

Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)

Reduction in (2009) Other Operating Expenditures, MOF is the General Revenue Fund 0001.

\$(4,986)

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**Total of Explanation of Biennial Change** 

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SUMMARY TOTALS:					
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:	\$3,023,106	\$3,982,218	\$3,957,958	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888
METHODS OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS):				\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888
METHODS OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS):	\$3,023,106	\$3,982,218	\$3,957,958	\$3,965,889	\$3,965,888
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	34.4	36.7	51.0	51.0	51.0

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	2026	Funds			2027 1	Funds		Biennial	Biennial	
FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	Cumulative GR	Cumulative Ded	Page #
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1	Administe	r Competency Examin	ations, Issue and	Renew Licens	ses					
25.0	1,754,689	1,752,689	0	25.0	1,754,688	1,752,688	0	3,505,377	0	
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 2	Texas.gov.	Estimated and Nontra	ınsferable							
0.0	155,000	155,000	0	0.0	155,000	155,000	0	3,815,377	0	
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 3	Inspect an	d Monitor Job Sites, I	vestigate and R	esolve Compla	ints					
19.0	1,332,500	1,332,500	0	19.0	1,332,500	1,332,500	0	6,480,377	0	
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 4	Consumer	Education and Public	Awareness							
3.0	270,100	247,100	0	3.0	270,100	247,100	0	6,974,577	0	
Strategy: 2 - 1 - 1	Indirect A	dministration								
4.0	453,600	453,600	0	4.0	453,600	453,600	0	7,881,777	0	
51.0				51.0			*****G	GR Baseline Request I	Limit=\$7,881,777****	**
Excp Item: 1	Agency Re	elocation & Buildout of	f Larger Facility							
0.0	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	7,881,778	0	
Strategy Detail for	· Excp Item: 1									
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1	-	r Competency Examin	ations, Issue and	Renew Licens	es					
0.0	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0			
Excp Item: 2	Facility Le	ease Extension - 929 Ea	ıst 41st St, Austii	ı, TX						
0.0	35,330	35,330	0	0.0	52,995	52,995	0	7,970,103	0	

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	2026 Funds				2027 F	unds		Biennial	Biennial	
FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	Cumulative GR	Cumulative Ded	Page #
Strategy Detail for	Excp Item: 2									
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1	Administer	<b>Competency Examin</b>	ations, Issue and	Renew License	es					
0.0	28,264	28,264	0	0.0	42,396	42,396	0			
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 3	Inspect and	Monitor Job Sites, Ir	vestigate and R	esolve Complai	nts					
0.0	4,169	4,169	0	0.0	6,253	6,253	0			
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 4	Consumer 1	<b>Education and Public</b>	Awareness							
0.0	601	601	0	0.0	901	901	0			
Strategy: 2 - 1 - 1	Indirect Ad	ministration								
0.0	2,296	2,296	0	0.0	3,445	3,445	0			
Excp Item: 3	Retain Qua	lified Staff								
0.0	325,046	325,046	0	0.0	325,046	325,046	0	8,620,195	0	
Strategy Detail for	Excp Item: 3									
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1	Administer	<b>Competency Examin</b>	ations, Issue and	Renew License	es					
0.0	114,677	114,677	0	0.0	114,677	114,677	0			
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 3	Inspect and	Monitor Job Sites, Ir	vestigate and R	esolve Complai	nts					
0.0	143,916	143,916	0	0.0	143,916	143,916	0			
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 4	Consumer 1	<b>Education and Public</b>	Awareness							
0.0	15,525	15,525	0	0.0	15,525	15,525	0			
Strategy: 2 - 1 - 1	Indirect Ad	ministration								
0.0	50,928	50,928	0	0.0	50,928	50,928	0			
Excp Item: 4	Additional	Staffing Needed - 7 F	TEs							
7.0	448,846	448,846	0	7.0	420,846	420,846	0	9,489,887	0	

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2026 Funds				2027 Funds				Biennial	Biennial	
FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	Cumulative GR	Cumulative Ded	Page #
Strategy Detail for	Excp Item: 4									
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1	Administer	Competency Examin	ations, Issue and	Renew License	es					
4.0	253,938	253,938	0	4.0	237,938	237,938	0			
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 3	Inspect and	Monitor Job Sites, In	vestigate and Re	esolve Complai	nts					
3.0	194,908	194,908	0	3.0	182,908	182,908	0			
Excp Item: 5	Exempt Pos	ition Salary Increase								
0.0	22,623	22,623	0	0.0	37,623	37,623	0	9,550,133	0	
Strategy Detail for	Excp Item: 5									
Strategy: 2 - 1 - 1	Indirect Adr	ninistration								
0.0	22,623	22,623	0	0.0	37,623	37,623	0			
Excp Item: 6	Community	Outreach and Public	c Awareness							
0.0	125,000	125,000	0	0.0	125,000	125,000	0	9,800,133	0	
Strategy Detail for	Excp Item: 6									
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 4	Consumer E	<b>Education and Public</b>	Awareness							
0.0	125,000	125,000	0	0.0	125,000	125,000	0			
Excp Item: 7	External Fir	nancial Audit								
0.0	35,000	35,000	0	0.0	0	0	0	9,835,133	0	
Strategy Detail for	Excp Item: 7									
Strategy: 2 - 1 - 1	Indirect Adr	ninistration								
0.0	35,000	35,000	0	0.0	0	0	0			
Excp Item: 8	Customer F	ocused Online Servic	e Enhancements							
0.0	75,000	75,000	0	0.0	92,000	92,000	0	10,002,133	0	

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### Strategy/Strategy Option/Rider

2026 Funds				2027	Funds		Biennial	Biennial		
FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	FTEs	Total	GR	Ded	Cumulative GR	Cumulative Ded	Page #
Strategy Detail fo	or Excp Item: 8									
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1	-	r Competency Examina	ations, Issue and	Renew Licen	ses					
0.0	75,000	75,000	0	0.0	92,000	92,000	0			
Excp Item: 9	Agency Ve	hicle Replacements (2)								
0.0	47,000	47,000	0	0.0	69,500	69,500	0	10,118,633	0	
Strategy Detail fo	or Excp Item: 9									
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 3	-	d Monitor Job Sites, In	vestigate and Re	esolve Compla	nints					
0.0	47,000	47,000	0	0.0	69,500	69,500	0			
Excp Item: 10	Harlingen	Examination Center &	Mobile Testing	Center						
0.0	150,000	150,000	0	0.0	150,000	150,000	0	10,418,633	0	
Strategy Detail fo	r Excp Item: 10									
Strategy: 1 - 1 - 1	-	r Competency Examina	ations, Issue and	Renew Licen	ses					
0.0	150,000	150,000	0	0.0	150,000	150,000	0			
58.0	\$5,229,735	\$5,204,735	\$0	58.0	\$5,238,898	\$5,213,898	0			

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RIDER	STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
1 1 Surplus Sc 1-1-1 E	rap Metal XAMINE AND LICENSE PLUMBERS	\$479	\$2,814	\$2,500	\$0	\$0
OBJECT OF EXP	PENSE:					
1001 SA	LARIES AND WAGES	\$479	\$2,814	\$2,500	\$0	\$0
Total, Object of E	xpense	\$479	\$2,814	\$2,500	\$0	\$0
METHOD OF FIR	NANCING:					
666 App	propriated Receipts	\$479	\$2,814	\$2,500	\$0	\$0
Total, Method of I	inancing	\$479	\$2,814	\$2,500	\$0	\$0

### Description/Justification for continuation of existing riders or proposed new rider

Notwithstanding Article IX, §8.03. Surplus Property, one hundred percent of the receipts to the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners from the sale of scrap metal is appropriated to the Board for the purpose of providing materials necessary to conduct licensing examinations during the biennium in which the receipts are received.

# **3.C. Rider Appropriations and Unexpended Balances Request** 89th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1

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### **Agency Code: 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners**

RIDER	STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
SUMMARY:						
OBJECT OF EXP	ENSE TOTAL	\$479	\$2,814	\$2,500	<b>\$0</b>	\$0
METHOD OF FIN	NANCING TOTAL	\$479	\$2,814	\$2,500	\$0	\$0

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

Item Name: Agency Relocation & Buildout of Larger Facility

Item Priority: 1
IT Component: No
d Out-year Costs: No

Anticipated Out-year Costs: No Involve Contracts > \$50,000: Yes

Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 01-01-01 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses

**OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

 5000
 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES
 1
 0

 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE
 \$1
 \$0

**METHOD OF FINANCING:** 

1 General Revenue Fund 1 0

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$1 \$0

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

TSBPE currently resides in a 15,273 square-foot leased facility costing approximately \$353,299 per year. TSBPE has been located at their 929 East 41st St. location since 1981. The existing lease expires August 31, 2025. In working with the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC), the TSBPE has reviewed the feasibility of a nearby larger state-owned facility with approximately 23,533 square feet that will have no monthly lease cost. TSBPE would like to relocate to the larger state-owned facility which will provide much needed additional space for the agency's currently cramped workforce, ample parking for visitors, staff and examinees, and further expansion of our on-site practical examination center while saving the state money by eliminating an annual lease expense of at least \$353,299. The larger facility will require some updates and build-out costs that are yet to be determined. The TSBPE is currently in the process of obtaining the cost for the physical move of staff offices and the existing testing center as well. The end result could provide for recovery of the one-time expense in as little as two to three years and future years with no lease costs. This cost would be a one-time cost in Fiscal Year 2026. If it is decided that the Board will continue to lease its current location, this exceptional item request will not be needed and will be withdrawn.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

The Agency is currently researching costs to move and prepare the new facility for service. This Exceptional Item will be updated when more information becomes available.

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM:

100.00%

#### **CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:**

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Agency code:

Physical moving of the TSBPE Examination Center, administrative offices including furnishings, assets, movable property and materials of the agency. The buildout of office space and Examination Center into an existing larger structure to accommodate additional examinations and staff. Moving of the agency would be to a larger State-owned building.

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027 Item Name: Facility Lease Extension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX **Item Priority:** 2 No **IT Component: Anticipated Out-year Costs:** Yes Yes **Involve Contracts > \$50,000: Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:** 01-01-01 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses 01-01-03 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints 01-01-04 Consumer Education and Public Awareness 02-01-01 Indirect Administration **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 2006 **RENT - BUILDING** 35,330 52,995 \$35,330 \$52,995 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE METHOD OF FINANCING: General Revenue Fund 35,330 52,995 \$35,330 TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$52,995

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

TSBPE's current lease expires on August 31, 2025. Negotiations with the current building owner through the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) are ongoing to possibly provide for another extension of the current building lease. However, the last rent increase was excessive. The Board is considering relocation to a larger State-owned facility and vacating the existing facility due to the excessive cost. While it is most desired that the TSBPE relocate to the larger State-owned facility and vacate the current facility, neither option has yet to be finalized. If the TSBPE does extend the lease for the current facility, it will most likely require annual lease escalation costs. The estimate of escalation costs over the current and previously increased annual amount of \$353,299 for FY 2026 and FY 2027 is approximately ten percent (10%) and fifteen percent (15%), respectively. If the Board relocates to the larger State-owned facility, this exceptional item request will not be needed and will be withdrawn.

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:

TSBPE's current lease for the facility located at 929 East 41st Street, Austin, TX expires August 31, 2025. Negotiations, through the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC), to possibly execute another lease extension with the building owner are currently ongoing.

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Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

### **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

To be determined.

#### ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030
\$58,000	\$65,000	\$72,000

APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM:

22.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

Lease of building 2 to 5 years.

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\$325,046

CODE DESCRIPTION			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Retain Q	qualified Staff		
Item Priority:	3			
IT Component:	No			
Anticipated Out-year Costs:				
Involve Contracts > \$50,000:	No			
Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:	01-01-01	Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses	3	
	01-01-03	Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaint	S	
	01-01-04	Consumer Education and Public Awareness		
	02-01-01	Indirect Administration		
BJECTS OF EXPENSE:				
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES			320,925	320,925
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS			4,121	4,121
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE			\$325,046	\$325,046
ETHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 General Revenue Fund			325,046	325,040

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

To compete for and retain workers to carry out the mission of the agency, TSBPE is requesting a salary and agency paid benefits increase of approximately 10%. This will help to ensure sufficient staffing to continue our work serving the people of Texas and competitive compensation for our employees. The thriving Texas economy brings new talent to the Austin area daily but high housing costs and inflation levels coupled with lower-than-market salaries can produce recruiting difficulties. TSBPE must maintain competitive market wages with other businesses and other State agencies.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

The cost of living in and around the Austin metropolitan area has increased significantly in recent years. Austin has a very tight labor market, and the agency is requesting additional funding to remain competitive for employee talent with other employers and other State agencies within a high-cost growth metropolitan area.

#### PCLS TRACKING KEY:

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

### **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

Merit increases to retain and recruit qualified workers to carry out the mission of the TSBPE.

### ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030	
\$315,931	\$315,931	\$315,931	

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CODE DE	SCRIPTION			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
	Item Name:	Addition	al Staffing Needed - 7 FTEs		
	Item Priority:	4			
	IT Component:	No			
	Anticipated Out-year Costs:	No			
	Involve Contracts > \$50,000:	No			
Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:		01-01-01	Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses		
		01-01-03	Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaint	S	
BJECTS OF E	EXPENSE:				
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES			407,346	407,346
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES			3,500	3,500
2005	TRAVEL			10,000	10,000
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE			28,000	0
	TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE			\$448,846	\$420,846
ETHOD OF F	TINANCING:				
1	General Revenue Fund			448,846	420,846
	TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING			\$448,846	\$420,846
JLL-TIME E	QUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):			7.00	7.00

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

Seven (7) additional positions for Licensing, Enforcement, Legal Support, and Administration are requested to support an expansion of construction activity statewide due to the State's population growth and favorable economic climate resulting in the need for additional services provided by the TSBPE.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

The growth of the Texas economy has increased the demand for plumbers across the State, requiring additional examination capabilities, investigations and enforcement activities, and administration of those additional requirements.

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **Item Name: Exempt Position Salary Increase Item Priority:** 5 **IT Component:** No

**Anticipated Out-year Costs:** Yes **Involve Contracts > \$50,000:** 

Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 02-01-01 Indirect Administration

OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:		
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	22,623	37,623
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$22,623	\$37,623
METHOD OF FINANCING:		
1 General Revenue Fund	22,623	37,623
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$22,623	\$37,623

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

Reposition the Executive Director salary to better align with similarly positioned agencies based on number of employees and license population. The salary range should be moved from Group Level 3 to Group Level 4 and move the Cap to \$171.688. The Board is requesting the below additional funding to assist with the Executive Director's future salary increases in the coming two years. In addition, the Board must plan for future recruiting and hiring for this position should it be needed. C

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

The Board must plan for future recruiting and hiring for this position. Candidates that are experienced and knowledgeable of the industry will require and should expect the Board to offer a competitive salary.

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#### **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

Estimate 10% increase in exempt salary position.

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

### ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030		
\$41,385	\$45,524	\$50,076		

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **Item Name:** Community Outreach and Public Awareness **Item Priority:** 6 No **IT Component: Anticipated Out-year Costs:** Yes **Involve Contracts > \$50,000:** No Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 01-01-04 Consumer Education and Public Awareness **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 2002 **FUELS AND LUBRICANTS** 1,500 1,500 2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES 3,000 3,000 2005 TRAVEL 45,500 45,500 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE 75,000 75,000 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$125,000 \$125,000 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund 125,000 125,000

### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

Funding is requested to increase community outreach and public awareness to promote the plumbing trade as a professionally and financially rewarding career option by conducting numerous awareness campaigns through community events and trade schools, middle schools, high schools, community and technical colleges, universities, municipal building and inspection departments, plumbing firms, and trade associations. Community outreach has been particularly effective at the high school level where the TSBPE attends "career days" to promote the plumbing profession while offering a fee waiver for those wanting to obtain the Apprentice registration credential while in high school. This request also includes funding for the creation of ten (10) custom-made outreach videos on various plumbing related topics.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

TSPBE's outreach programs have been well attended and a great success for the TSBPE.

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

### **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

Funding for continued outreach to provide the plumbing trade, career days and high school level.

### ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

 2028	2029	2030
\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000

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CODE	DESCRIPTION		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
	Item Name:	External Financial Audit		
	Item Priority:	7		
	IT Component:	No		
	Anticipated Out-year Costs:	No		
	Involve Contracts > \$50,000:	No		
]	Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:	2-01-01 Indirect Administration		

### OBJECTS OF EXPENSE

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OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:		
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	35,000	0
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$35,000	\$0
METHOD OF FINANCING:		
1 General Revenue Fund	35,000	0
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$35,000	\$0

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

TSBPE is requesting funding to secure an external audit firm to conduct an audit of the financial records of the TSBPE. This will ensure compliance with applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Governmental Accounting Standards and other accounting rules. An external audit will also potentially improve the TSBPE's internal controls over financial reporting, provide an independent perspective on the agency's financial operations, identify weaknesses, reduce waste, and increase agency efficiency. This would be a one-time request.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

An external audit will potentially improve the agency's internal controls over financial reporting, provide an independent perspective on our financial operations, identify weaknesses, reduce waste, and increase agency efficiency.

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

> Item Name: Customer Focused Online Service Enhancements

**Item Priority:** 8 No **IT Component: Anticipated Out-year Costs:** No

**Involve Contracts > \$50,000:** No

**Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:** 01-01-01 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses

**OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 75,000 92,000

TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$75,000 \$92,000

METHOD OF FINANCING:

General Revenue Fund 75,000 92,000

\$75,000 \$92,000 TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

TSBPE is requesting funding to enhance and improve the HPC (Health Professions Council) Shared Regulatory Database system known as VERSA which is used to maintain licensee information. The areas of enhancement include allowing for improved electronic communication capabilities with licensees, registrants, and the public. Functionality improvements include electronic renewal notices, streamlining the license renewal process and educational requirements tracking by licensees, and comparison of licensee reported Continuing Professional Education (CPE) with that of CPE providers. The upgrades will be developed over a two-year period by the Health Professions Council (HPC). In addition, the TSBPE will participate in a joint venture with the other State agencies who also use Versa to enable online payment of agency assessed administrative penalties.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

TSBPE is one of seven agencies collaborating with the Health Professional Council (HPC) to maintain license data within the VERSA Regulation Program. TSBPE tracks continuing professional requirements for licensed plumbing industry professionals and references those requirements against annual license renewals to ensure licensed plumbers maintain current industry knowledge, practice, and statutory requirements.

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

> Item Name: Agency Vehicle Replacements (2)

**Item Priority:** No **IT Component: Anticipated Out-year Costs:** No

**Involve Contracts > \$50,000:** No

**Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:** 01-01-03 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints

**OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 47,000 69,500 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$47,000 \$69,500 METHOD OF FINANCING: General Revenue Fund 47,000 69,500

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

TSBPE is requesting two new vehicles to replace older vehicles with high mileage and higher maintenance costs. The agency would like to replace a 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe with approximately 130,000 miles and a 2011 Chevrolet Impala also with more than 130,000 miles. The request includes the cost of the vehicles, extended maintenance agreements, TSBPE emblems and badging, in order to prepare the vehicles for use in State service.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

Investigators travel throughout the State to inspect jobsites, plumbing companies, businesses and residences to investigate complaints and enforce State plumbing statutes. Based on replacement guidelines in the Comptroller of Public Accounts Texas State Vehicle Management Plan and the Texas Department of Transportation's equipment replacement model, in order to avoid high maintenance costs, vehicles should be replaced every 9 years or 100,000 miles, whichever comes first. Two new vehicles are being requested to replace aging vehicles exceeding best practice guidelines. The 2011 Impala would be 15 years old in FY 2026 and the 2013 Tahoe would be 13 years old. Aging vehicles require additional funding for routine maintenance where vehicles exceeding age and mileage recommendations typically accrue higher annual maintenance costs to replace and repair aging parts and maintain safe, roadworthy transportation.

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\$69,500

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150,000

Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

> **Item Name:** Harlingen Examination Center & Mobile Testing Center

**Item Priority:** 10 No **IT Component: Anticipated Out-year Costs:** Yes

Yes **Involve Contracts > \$50,000:** 

**Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:** 01-01-01 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses

**OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE 150,000

TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$150,000 \$150,000

METHOD OF FINANCING:

General Revenue Fund 150,000 150,000

\$150,000 \$150,000 TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

Additional funding is requested for examination facility buildout in Harlingen and the design and build of a mobile testing unit that will begin traveling throughout the State to provide hands-on practical examinations for plumbing professionals. The TSBPE is leveraging an agreement with Texas State Technical College (TSTC) for the use of an existing building at their Harlingen campus for an examination center and the acquisition of a truck and trailer. Build-outs, tools and materials will be needed to complete this project. The ability to provide examinations in a variety of locations is in keeping with the ever growing need to expand the plumbing profession. Specific costs for this project is yet to be determined.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

The practical portion of examinations is currently administered at either TSBPE headquarters in Austin, TX, or an exam center in Waco, TX. With the addition of an exam facility in Harlingen and deploying a mobile exam unit, exam candidates from around the State will have the option to travel shorter distances to take the practical portion of the exam with the availability of four exam center options.

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Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

Excp 2026 **CODE** DESCRIPTION Excp 2027

# **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

Continued daily operational costs for testing facilities.

# ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030	
\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	

APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM:

10.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

Interagency partnership with TSTC.

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**Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency code: 456 Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 Agency Relocation & Buildout of Larger Facility **Item Name:** Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-1 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses **OUTPUT MEASURES:** 1 Number of New Licenses, Registrations and Endorsements Issued 600.00 700.00 3 Number of Individuals Examined 850.00 1,000.00 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 1 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$1 \$0 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$1 \$0

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**Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency code: 456 Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 Facility Lease Extension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX Item Name: Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-1 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 42,396 28,264 2006 **RENT - BUILDING** TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$28,264 \$42,396 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 28,264 42,396 1 General Revenue Fund TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$42,396 \$28,264

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**Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency code: 456 Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 Facility Lease Extension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX Item Name: Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-3 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 6,253 4,169 2006 **RENT - BUILDING** TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$6,253 \$4,169 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 4,169 6,253 1 General Revenue Fund TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$6,253 \$4,169

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**Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency code: 456 Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 Facility Lease Extension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX Item Name: Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-4 Consumer Education and Public Awareness **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 2006 **RENT - BUILDING** 601 901 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$601 \$901 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund 601 901 TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$601 \$901

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Code Description			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Facility Lease Ex	xtension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX		
Allocation to Strategy:	2-1-1	Indirect Administration		
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:				
2006 R	ENT - BUILDING		2,296	3,445
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENS	SE		\$2,296	\$3,445
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund		2,296	3,445
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINAN	CING		\$2,296	\$3,445

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Agency name:

**Board of Plumbing Examiners** 

Code Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Retain Qualified S	Staff	
Allocation to Strategy:	1-1-1	Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses	
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:			
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	113,655	113,655
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	1,022	1,022
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXP	ENSE	\$114,677	\$114,677
METHOD OF FINANCING	<b>3:</b>		
1 (	General Revenue Fund	114,677	114,677
TOTAL, METHOD OF FIN	ANCING	\$114,677	\$114,677

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Code Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Retain Qualified S	Staff	
Allocation to Strategy:	1-1-3	Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>			
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	142,004	142,004
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	1,912	1,912
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXP	ENSE	\$143,916	\$143,916
METHOD OF FINANCING	<b>3</b> :		
1	General Revenue Fund	143,916	143,916
TOTAL, METHOD OF FIN	ANCING	\$143,916	\$143,916

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**Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency code: 456 Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 Retain Qualified Staff Item Name: Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-4 Consumer Education and Public Awareness **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 14,833 14,833 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 692 692 1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$15,525 \$15,525 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund 15,525 15,525 TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$15,525 \$15,525

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**Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency code: 456 Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 Retain Qualified Staff Item Name: Allocation to Strategy: 2-1-1 Indirect Administration **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 50,433 50,433 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 495 1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS 495 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$50,928 \$50,928 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund 50,928 50,928 TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$50,928 \$50,928

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

Code Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Additional Staffing l	Needed - 7 FTEs	
Allocation to Strategy:	1-1-1	Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses	
EFFICIENCY MEASURES	:		
1 Averag	ge Time to Issue Examination Results	2.00	2.00
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:			
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	225,938	225,938
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	2,000	2,000
2005	TRAVEL	10,000	10,000
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	16,000	0
ГОТАL, OBJECT OF EXPI	ENSE	\$253,938	\$237,938
METHOD OF FINANCING	<b>:</b> :		
1 (	General Revenue Fund	253,938	237,938
TOTAL, METHOD OF FIN	ANCING	\$253,938	\$237,938
FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT	Γ POSITIONS (FTE):	4.0	4.0

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

Code Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Additional Staffin	g Needed - 7 FTEs	
Allocation to Strategy:	1-1-3	Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>			
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	181,408	181,408
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	1,500	1,500
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSI	E 12,000	0
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXP	ENSE	\$194,908	\$182,908
METHOD OF FINANCING	G:		
1	General Revenue Fund	194,908	182,908
TOTAL, METHOD OF FIN	NANCING	\$194,908	\$182,908
FULL-TIME EQUIVALEN	T POSITIONS (FTE):	3.0	3.0

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Agency code:	456	Agency name: <b>Boa</b> n	d of Plumbing Examiners		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Exempt Position	Salary Increase		
Allocation to	Strategy:	2-1-1	Indirect Administration		
OBJECTS OF EX	XPENSE:				
	1001 SA	LARIES AND WAGES		22,623	37,623
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPENSE			\$22,623	\$37,623
METHOD OF FI	NANCING:				
	1 Gener	ral Revenue Fund		22,623	37,623
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINANC	TING		\$22,623	\$37,623

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Agency code: 456 **Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **Item Name:** Community Outreach and Public Awareness Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-4 Consumer Education and Public Awareness **OUTPUT MEASURES:** 1 # of Continuing Education and Public Awareness Seminars Conducted 6.00 8.00 **EXPLANATORY/INPUT MEASURES:** <u>1</u> # of Individuals Attending Educational/Public Awareness Seminars 250.00 300.00 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 1,500 1,500 2002 **FUELS AND LUBRICANTS** CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES 2003 3,000 3,000 2005 TRAVEL 45,500 45,500

2009

TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

**METHOD OF FINANCING:** 

OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE

1 General Revenue Fund

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Agency code: 456	Agency name: <b>Boa</b>	rd of Plumbing Examiners		
Code Description			Ехер 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	External Financia	ıl Audit		
Allocation to Strategy:	2-1-1	Indirect Administration		
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>				
2001 PRO	DFESSIONAL FEES AND S	ERVICES	35,000	0
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE			\$35,000	\$0
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 Gener	al Revenue Fund		35,000	0
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANC	ING		\$35,000	\$0

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**Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency code: 456 Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **Item Name:** Customer Focused Online Service Enhancements Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-1 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses **OUTPUT MEASURES:** 100.00 150.00 2 Number of Licenses, Registrations and Endorsements Renewed **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 75,000 92,000 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$92,000 \$75,000 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund 75,000 92,000

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING

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\$92,000

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**Board of Plumbing Examiners** Agency code: 456 Agency name: Code Description Excp 2026 Excp 2027 Agency Vehicle Replacements (2) Item Name: Allocation to Strategy: 1-1-3 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 69,500 47,000 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$47,000 \$69,500 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 47,000 69,500 1 General Revenue Fund TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$47,000 \$69,500

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners

ode Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	arlingen Examination Center & Mobile Testing Cer	ter	
Allocation to Strategy:	1-1-1 Administer Competency Exam	nations, Issue and Renew Licenses	
DUTPUT MEASURES:			
1 Number of New Licenses	, Registrations and Endorsements Issued	280.00	350.00
<u>3</u> Number of Individuals Ex	xamined	400.00	500.00
FFICIENCY MEASURES:			
1 Average Time to Issue Ex	amination Results	2.00	2.00
XPLANATORY/INPUT MEASURES:			
2 Total Number of Individu	als Licensed, Registered and Endorsed	230.00	250.00
BJECTS OF EXPENSE:			
2009 OTHER OPERAT	TING EXPENSE	150,000	150,000
OTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		\$150,000	\$150,000
METHOD OF FINANCING:			
1 General Revenue Fu	and	150,000	150,000
COTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING		\$150,000	\$150,000

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Agency Code: 456 Agency name: **Board of Plumbing Examiners** GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers **OBJECTIVE:** 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules Service Categories: Service: 16 STRATEGY: 1 Administer Competency Examinations, Issue and Renew Licenses Income: A.2 B.3 Age: CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 339,593 339,593 1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS 1,022 1,022 75,000 92,000 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES 2,000 2,000 2005 TRAVEL 10,000 10,000

#### METHOD OF FINANCING:

2006 RENT - BUILDING

1 General Revenue Fund

**Total, Method of Finance** 

2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE

**Total, Objects of Expense** 

5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

**FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):** 

#### **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

Agency Relocation & Buildout of Larger Facility

Facility Lease Extension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX

Retain Qualified Staff

Additional Staffing Needed - 7 FTEs

Customer Focused Online Service Enhancements

Harlingen Examination Center & Mobile Testing Center

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389,993

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Agency Code: 456 Agency name: **Board of Plumbing Examiners** GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers **OBJECTIVE:** 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules Service Categories: 3 Inspect and Monitor Job Sites, Investigate and Resolve Complaints Service: 16 Income: STRATEGY: A.2 B.3 Age: **CODE DESCRIPTION** Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 323,412 323,412 1,912 1,912 1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS 1,500 1,500 2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES 6,253 2006 RENT - BUILDING 4,169 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE 12,000 0 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 47,000 69,500 \$389,993 \$402,577 Total, Objects of Expense

# **METHOD OF FINANCING:**

1 General Revenue Fund

**Total, Method of Finance** 

**FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):** 

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

Facility Lease Extension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX

Retain Qualified Staff

Additional Staffing Needed - 7 FTEs

Agency Vehicle Replacements (2)

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Agency Code: 456 Agency name: **Board of Plumbing Examiners** GOAL: 1 Ensure Public Health by Licensing and Registering Plumbers OBJECTIVE: 1 Evaluate and License Applicants, Enforce the Act and Board Rules Service Categories: STRATEGY: 4 Consumer Education and Public Awareness Service: 16 Income: A.2 B.3 Age: **CODE DESCRIPTION** Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 14.833 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 14,833 692 692 1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS 2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS 1,500 1,500 2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES 3,000 3,000 2005 TRAVEL 45,500 45,500 2006 RENT - BUILDING 601 901 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE 75,000 75,000 \$141,126 \$141,426 Total, Objects of Expense

#### METHOD OF FINANCING:

 1 General Revenue Fund
 141,126
 141,426

 Total, Method of Finance
 \$141,126
 \$141,426

# **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

Facility Lease Extension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX

Retain Qualified Staff

Community Outreach and Public Awareness

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\$91,996

Agency Code: 456 Agency name: **Board of Plumbing Examiners** GOAL: 2 Indirect Administration OBJECTIVE: 1 Indirect Administration Service Categories: STRATEGY: 1 Indirect Administration Service: 09 Income: A.2 B.3 Age: **CODE DESCRIPTION** Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 73,056 1001 SALARIES AND WAGES 88,056 1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS 495 495 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 35,000 0 2006 RENT - BUILDING 2,296 3,445 Total, Objects of Expense \$110,847 \$91,996 METHOD OF FINANCING: 1 General Revenue Fund 110,847 91,996

# EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:

Facility Lease Extension - 929 East 41st St, Austin, TX

**Total, Method of Finance** 

Retain Qualified Staff

**Exempt Position Salary Increase** 

External Financial Audit

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## 5.A. Capital Budget Project Schedule

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Agency code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners Category Code / Category Name Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name BL 2026 Est 2024 **Bud 2025** BL 2027 OOE / TOF / MOF CODE **5006** Transportation Items 2/2 Purchase of 2 Replacement Vehicles Used in Enforcement by Field Representative/Investigators **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE** Capital \$0 \$0 General 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES \$108,000 \$0 2 \$0 \$0 Capital Subtotal OOE, Project \$108,000 \$0 2 Subtotal OOE, Project \$108,000 **\$0 \$0** \$0 TYPE OF FINANCING Capital \$0 \$0 \$0 General CA 1 General Revenue Fund \$108,000 \$108,000 \$0 \$0 \$0 Capital Subtotal TOF, Project 2 \$108,000 \$0 **\$0 \$0** 2 Subtotal TOF, Project \$0 5006 \$0 \$0 Capital Subtotal, Category \$108,000 5006 Informational Subtotal, Category **Total, Category** 5006 \$108,000 **\$0 \$0 \$0** 7000 Data Center/Shared Technology Services 1/1 Department of Information Resources - Data Center Consolidation OBJECTS OF EXPENSE Capital \$0 \$0 General 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES \$18,820 \$18,784

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Agency code: 456	Agency name: Board of Plumb	ing Examiners		
Category Code / Category Name				
Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name	E 4 2024	D 12025	BL 2026	DI 2027
OOE / TOF / MOF CODE	Est 2024	Bud 2025	DE 2020	BL 2027
Capital Subtotal OOE, Project 1	\$18,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
Subtotal OOE, Project 1	\$18,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
TYPE OF FINANCING				
<u>Capital</u>				
General CA 1 General Revenue Fund	\$18,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
General CA 1 General Revenue I unu	\$10,020	\$10,704		
Capital Subtotal TOF, Project 1	\$18,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
Subtotal TOF, Project 1	\$18,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
Suctour 101, 110,000				
Capital Subtotal, Category 7000	\$18,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
Informational Subtotal, Category 7000				
Total, Category 7000	\$18,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
AGENCY TOTAL -CAPITAL	\$126,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
AGENCY TOTAL -INFORMATIONAL				
	6127.930		<b>\$0</b>	\$0
AGENCY TOTAL	\$126,820	\$18,784	-	
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
<u>Capital</u>				
General 1 General Revenue Fund	\$126,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
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Total, Method of Financing-Capital	\$126,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
Total, Method of Financing	\$126,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0

# 5.A. Capital Budget Project Schedule

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Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners Agency code: 456 Category Code / Category Name Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name BL 2026 Est 2024 **Bud 2025** BL 2027 OOE / TOF / MOF CODE TYPE OF FINANCING: Capital \$18,784 \$0 General CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS \$126,820 \$0 \$0 \$0 Total, Type of Financing-Capital \$126,820 \$18,784 **\$0 \$0** 

\$18,784

\$126,820

Total, Type of Financing

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## 5.B. Capital Budget Project Information

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Agency Code:456Agency name:Board of Plumbing ExaminersCategory Number:7000Category Name:Data Center/Shared Technology SvcsProject number:1Project Name:Data Center Consolidation

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

#### **General Information**

The TSBPE utilizes the Statewide Data Center for Office 365. Office 365 includes cloud access to e-mail, office applications, SharePoint, Project and files.

**PLCS Tracking Key** 

Number of Units / Average Unit Cost \$19.99 per license plus other DCS costs

Estimated Completion Date On-going

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

0

Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life
Ongoing
Estimated/Actual Project Cost
Length of Financing/ Lease Period
N/A

ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS Total over

2026 2027 2028 2029 project life

 $0 \qquad \qquad 0 \qquad \qquad 0 \qquad \qquad 0$ 

REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG MOF CODE AVERAGE AMOUNT

**Explanation:** Office 365 license cost is lower than the cost to the agency of upgrading the software and hardware for the Microsoft Exchange e-mail server. IT staff

time is saved by using a cloud-based service rather than managing and maintaining an agency e-mail server. Additional benefits include free upgrades

of Microsoft Office software and Microsoft SharePoint.

Project Location: TSBPE Headquarters located in Austin and nine (9) Investigators located throughout the State.

**Beneficiaries:** TSBPE Staff

#### Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

TSBPE staff use Office 365 applications daily.

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Agency Code:456Agency name:Board of Plumbing ExaminersCategory Number:5006Category Name:TRANSPORTATION ITEMSProject number:2Project Name:Replace Enforcement Vehicles (2)

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **General Information**

The Board is purchasing two replacement vehicles for use by Enforcement staff to assist in meeting the demands of the agency's substantial increase in geographical jurisdiction and the increased number of licensees and registrants regulated by the agency. Both vehicles being replaced have very high mileage. A continued increase in new construction throughout Texas has created the need for more knowledgeable and experienced licensed plumbers, as well as additional registered Plumber's Apprentices. The Investigator's primary duties are enforcement of the Plumbing License Law through the investigation of consumer complaints, performance of compliance checks and the issuance of administrative penalties when violations are found. Enforcement of the Plumbing License Law also helps ensure safe and proper installation of plumbing systems through compliance with the law.

**PLCS Tracking Key** 

Number of Units / Average Unit Cost Estimated (1) \$48,000 and (2) \$60,000 for one with towing capabili

Estimated Completion Date Fiscal Year 2024

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

0

Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life 9 Years
Estimated/Actual Project Cost \$108,000
Length of Financing/ Lease Period N/A

ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS

Total over

2026 2027 2028 2029 project life
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REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG MOF CODE AVERAGE AMOUNT

**Explanation:** Two replacement vehicles are needed by Enforcement staff to assist in meeting the demands of the agency's substantial increased

number of licensees and registrants regulated by the agency. Both vehicles being replaced have very high mileage. The Investigator's primary duties are enforcement of the Plumbing License Law through the investigation of consumer complaints, performance of compliance checks and the issuance of

administrative penalties when violations are found.

**Project Location:** These replacement vehicles are used throughout the State by Investigators whose primary duties include compliance checks and investigation of

complaints.

**Beneficiaries:** N/A

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# Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

Daily use

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**5.C. Capital Budget Allocation to Strategies (Baseline)** 89th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

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Agency code:	456	Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners				
Category Co	ode/Name					
Project Se	quence/Proje	ect Id/Name				
	Goal/Obj/St	r Strategy Name	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
5006 Trans	portation I	tems				
2/2	Replace	Enforcement Vehicles (2)				
GENERAL I	<b>BUDGET</b>					
Capital	1-1-3	INSPECTIONS AND ENFORCEMENT	108,000	0	\$0	\$0
		TOTAL, PROJECT	\$108,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
1/1 GENERAL I		nter Consolidation				
GENERAL I						
Capital	2-1-1	INDIRECT ADMIN	1,637	1,634	0	0
	1-1-1	EXAMINE AND LICENSE PLUMBERS	8,695	8,678	0	0
	1-1-3	INSPECTIONS AND ENFORCEMENT	7,942	7,927	0	0
	1-1-4	CONSUMER EDUCATION/PUBLIC AWARENESS	546	545	0	0
		TOTAL, PROJECT	\$18,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
		TOTAL CAPITAL, ALL PROJECTS TOTAL INFORMATIONAL, ALL PROJECTS	\$126,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0
		TOTAL, ALL PROJECTS	\$126,820	\$18,784	\$0	\$0

### 6.A. Historically Underutilized Business Supporting Schedule

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#### COMPARISON TO STATEWIDE HUB PROCUREMENT GOALS

Total

#### A. Fiscal Year - HUB Expenditure Information

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Statewide	Procurement		HUB Ex	penditures	Expenditures		<b>HUB Expenditures FY 2023</b>			Expenditures	
<b>HUB Goals</b>	Category	% Goal	% Actual	Diff	Actual \$	FY 2022	% Goal	% Actual	Diff	Actual \$	FY 2023
11.2%	Heavy Construction	0.0 %	0.0%	0.0%	\$0	\$0	0.0 %	0.0%	0.0%	\$0	\$0
21.1%	<b>Building Construction</b>	0.0 %	0.0%	0.0%	\$0	\$0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	\$0	\$0
32.9%	Special Trade	0.0 %	0.0%	0.0%	\$0	\$1,376	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	\$0	\$825
23.7%	Professional Services	0.0 %	0.0%	0.0%	\$0	\$0	0.0 %	0.0%	0.0%	\$0	\$0
26.0%	Other Services	26.0 %	35.8%	9.8%	\$68,255	\$190,526	26.0 %	46.5%	20.5%	\$89,389	\$192,325
21.1%	Commodities	21.0 %	23.5%	2.5%	\$25,372	\$107,937	21.0 %	27.5%	6.5%	\$48,642	\$176,992
	<b>Total Expenditures</b>		31.2%		\$93,627	\$299,839		37.3%		\$138,031	\$370,142

#### **B.** Assessment of Attainment of HUB Procurement Goals

#### **Attainment:**

The Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners routinely exceeds statewide HUB goals in the Other Services and Commodities categories.

For Fiscal Year 2022, there were two small Special Trade purchases from two non-HUB vendors totaling \$1,376. For Fiscal Year 2023, there was one Special Trade purchase from a non-HUB vendor totaling \$825.

The agency had no Heavy Construction, Building Construction, or Professional Services purchases during Fiscal Years 2022 or 2023.

### Applicability:

For Fiscal Year 2022, there were two small Special Trade purchases from two non-HUB vendors totaling \$1,376. For Fiscal Year 2023, there was one Special Trade purchase from a non-HUB vendor totaling \$825.

The agency had no Heavy Construction, Building Construction, or Professional Services purchases during Fiscal Years 2022 or 2023.

#### **Factors Affecting Attainment:**

TSBPE had staffing issues during Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022 with the turnover of the Director of Financial Operations and procurement staff. The purchaser position was vacated due to retirement in July 2021, and the agency was not able to fill the position with a qualified Certified Texas Contract Developer (CTCD) until February 2022, which was six months into Fiscal Year 2022. Our Purchaser II is now a Certified Texas Contract Developer (CTCD).

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#### C. Good-Faith Efforts to Increase HUB Participation

#### Outreach Efforts and Mentor-Protégé Programs:

The Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners (TSBPE) attended several HUB conferences in FY 2022 and FY 2023 and is making efforts to attend other statewide events as they occur. Additionally, every purchase is reviewed for HUB vendors and TSBPE procures from available HUB vendors whenever possible.

#### **HUB Program Staffing:**

TSBPE's HUB Coordinator is also the Agency's Chief Financial Officer and Director of Financial Operations. TSBPE has one Purchaser II who has now become certified as a Certified Texas Contract Manager (CTCM) and is making outreach efforts and attending HUB specialized events whenever possible.

#### **Current and Future Good-Faith Efforts:**

TSBPE is dedicated to supporting the State's HUB program. HUB purchases during Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 indicate both success and commitment to continued compliance with the HUB program. For fiscal years 2024 through 2027, TSBPE's planning will use the same positive strategy.

In addition, TSBPE enhances training to staff regarding the importance of the HUB program, the latest HUB-related information, TSBPE HUB statistics and methods of improvement. TSBPE's HUB Coordinator will also work in partnership with other state agency HUB coordinators to recognize and implement best practices for improving our HUB contracting results.

As part of the agency's HUB outreach, staff began attending HUB fairs and conferences across the state in FY 2022.

TSBPE is a small agency of 51 FTEs and therefore has few contracts but will encourage contractors to use HUBs as partners and subcontractors whenever possible. TSBPE will provide potential contractors with reference lists of certified HUBs who may be able to participate in TSBPE contracts. TSBPE will also encourage woman and minority-owned business utilization to potential respondents.

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# **6.E. Estimated Revenue Collections Supporting Schedule**

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Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

Agency Code: 456 Agency name: Board of Plumbing Examiners					
FUND/ACCOUNT	Act 2023	Exp 2024	Est 2025	Est 2026	Est 2027
1 General Revenue Fund					
Beginning Balance (Unencumbered):	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Estimated Revenue:					
3175 Professional Fees	4,808,946	4,800,000	4,920,000	4,920,000	4,920,000
3717 Civil Penalties	415,916	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
3775 Returned Check Fees	225	75	100	100	100
Subtotal: Actual/Estimated Revenue	5,225,087	5,100,075	5,220,100	5,220,100	5,220,100
Total Available	\$5,225,087	\$5,100,075	\$5,220,100	\$5,220,100	\$5,220,100
EDUCTIONS:					
Actual 2023 / Expended or Budgeted 2024-2026	(3,005,338)	(3,923,808)	(3,932,358)	(3,940,889)	(3,940,888)
Indirect Costs (Estimated)	(674,624)	(675,000)	(675,000)	(675,000)	(675,000)
Total, Deductions	\$(3,679,962)	\$(4,598,808)	\$(4,607,358)	\$(4,615,889)	\$(4,615,888)
Ending Fund/Account Balance	\$1,545,125	\$501,267	\$612,742	\$604,211	\$604,212

#### **REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS:**

Fiscal Years 2024 through 2027 are conservative estimates. The TSBPE estimates approximately 2.5% growth in licensing and registration revenues, impacting professional fees code 3175.

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666 Appropriated Receipts					
Beginning Balance (Unencumbered):	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Estimated Revenue:					
3719 Fees/Copies or Filing of Records	779	182	1,600	0	0
3722 Conf, Semin, & Train Regis Fees	8,555	14,468	23,000	23,000	23,000
3754 Other Surplus/Salvage Property	479	2,814	1,000	2,000	2,000
3783 Insurance Recovery w Loss - Other	5,777	2,952	0	0	0
3802 Reimbursements-Third Party	3,040	760	0	0	0
Subtotal: Actual/Estimated Revenue	18,630	21,176	25,600	25,000	25,000
Total Available	\$18,630	\$21,176	\$25,600	\$25,000	\$25,000
DEDUCTIONS:					
Actual 2023 / Expended or Budgeted 2024-2027	(18,630)	(21,176)	(25,600)	(25,000)	(25,000)
Total, Deductions	\$(18,630)	\$(21,176)	\$(25,600)	\$(25,000)	\$(25,000)
Ending Fund/Account Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

# **REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS:**

Fiscal Years 2024 through 2027 are conservative estimates. Unexpended sale of scrap metal (pipe) can be carried forward within the biennium, as per Rider 3. For seminars and conferences, unexpended balances can be carried forward to the next fiscal year if not expended.

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