

Agency Purpose

The Private Detective and Protective Agent Services Board is the *regulatory* agency for investigative and protective (security) services in the state (M.S. 326.32-339). The board is responsible for the licensing of investigative and protective service providers. The licensing process directs the board to:

- ◆ ensure *competency* of service providers;
- ◆ manage regulatory *compliance*; and
- ◆ demonstrate *vision* concerning the trends of these professional services to enhance the regulatory program and procedures.

With national tragic events that occurred, there is a call for a broader preparedness. The board continues to strive to protect the public through comprehensive licensing of these very visible, preventative, and responsive services that are of assistance to government public safety services.

Core Functions

The board maintains regulatory standards in the management of licensing and training program compliance through these core functions:

- ◆ regulate private investigative and protective services;
- ◆ monitor programs for standards compliance; and
- ◆ enforce regulatory statute compliance.

Functions supporting operational goals:

- ◆ critical review of license candidates;
- ◆ issue licenses to those deemed competent;
- ◆ monitor statutory compliance with licensing and training;
- ◆ evaluate mandatory training proposal and compliance by licensees;
- ◆ respond to complaints; and
- ◆ educate the public, business, and law enforcement concerning licensing.

Operations

The board has a broad customer base. Primary service obligations are to the public, license holders and applicants, training providers, businesses, law enforcement agencies, and employees of license holders.

The board executes decisions concerning licensing, training, and discipline. Staff personnel manage and administer the regulatory, training, compliance, complaint response, and educational element of the regulatory program.

Key Measures

- ⇒ There is an increased need for investigative and security services who act in the interest of public safety. There are larger numbers of individuals seeking these fields as an employment source.
- ⇒ Increased visibility and use of licensed services raise the potential for abuse.
- ⇒ Growing demands, expectation, and reliance on license holders raises the “professional bar” of investigative and security services.
- ⇒ Dependence on these services, in matters of public safety, calls for focus on mandatory training requirements.

At A Glance

Two-Year State Budget:

- ◆ \$252,000 General Fund fee supported program.

Annual Business Processes:

- ◆ Over 400 licenses for investigative and security services managed and monitored.
- ◆ Over 73 new investigative and protective licenses issued.
- ◆ Over 235 investigative and protective licenses reissued.
- ◆ Training program review and approval for 75 training providers of mandatory training of 459 initial and continuing training and over 110 armed courses.

Budget

The board's FY 2006-07 budget total is \$252,000. Agency staff includes 1.80 full-time equivalent positions.

Of the total budget for the biennium, board funding comes from an appropriation from the General Fund. Fee and penalty revenues collected by the board are deposited into the General Fund as a non-dedicated receipt.

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Dollars in Thousands

	Current		Forecast Base		Biennium 2008-09
	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008	FY2009	
<u>Direct Appropriations by Fund</u>					
General					
Current Appropriation	126	126	126	126	252
Forecast Base	126	126	126	126	252
Change		0	0	0	0
% Biennial Change from 2006-07					0%
 <u>Expenditures by Fund</u>					
Direct Appropriations					
General	108	171	126	126	252
Total	108	171	126	126	252
 <u>Expenditures by Category</u>					
Total Compensation	84	105	105	105	210
Other Operating Expenses	24	66	21	21	42
Total	108	171	126	126	252
 <u>Expenditures by Program</u>					
Priv Detect/Protect Agents Bd	108	171	126	126	252
Total	108	171	126	126	252
 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)	 1.4	 1.4	 1.4	 1.4	

PRIVATE DETECTIVE BOARD

Agency Revenue Summary

Dollars in Thousands

	Actual FY2006	Budgeted FY2007	Current Law		Biennium 2008-09
			FY2008	FY2009	
<u>Non Dedicated Revenue:</u>					
Departmental Earnings:					
General	139	136	136	136	272
Other Revenues:					
General	0	1	1	1	2
Total Non-Dedicated Receipts	139	137	137	137	274
<u>Dedicated Receipts:</u>					
Total Dedicated Receipts	0	0	0	0	0
Agency Total Revenue					
	139	137	137	137	274