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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Agency Summary

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Agency Mission

To assist, educate, and protect the public through the implementation and enforcement of state laws mandating regulation and licensing of designated businesses, professions, occupations, and other specific activities while recognizing the need to foster a prosperous and sound business environment that serves the public interest.

Agency Description

The Department of Business Regulation's primary function is to implement state laws mandating the regulation and licensing of designated businesses, professions, occupations and other specified activities. The department is composed of five divisions and Central Management, which includes the budget, regulatory standards, compliance and enforcement. The respective divisions are: Banking, Securities, Insurance, Building, Design and Fire Professionals, Commercial Licensing and Gaming and Athletics Licensing, and the Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner. The Director of Business Regulation is appointed by the Governor and serves statutorily as the State Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Insurance, Real Estate Administrator, Chief of Intoxicating Beverages, and State Boxing Commissioner. The Department also houses other commissions including the Real Estate Commission, Real Estate Appraisal Board, Rhode Island Board of Accountancy, the Certified Constables' Board, and the Racing and Athletics Hearing Board. The Department issues over 200,000 licenses and conducts administrative hearings involving issuances, administrative penalties, denials, suspensions and/or revocations.

Statutory History

The department was established by the Rhode Island General Assembly in 1939 and is organized under R.I. General Laws § 42-14-1, et seq.

Budget

Department Of Business Regulation

	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Expenditures by Program					
Central Management	2,328,073	2,910,334	5,427,777	3,212,802	4,662,104
Banking Regulation	1,411,033	1,591,551	1,648,138	1,653,509	1,695,824
Securities Regulation	1,033,283	764,541	913,056	719,913	832,118
Insurance Regulation	5,022,465	5,432,057	5,882,354	5,879,377	6,461,335
Board of Accountancy	4,485	5,550	5,883	5,883	5,883
Commercial Licensing and Gaming and Athletics Licensing	2,251,496	1,693,977	1,951,417	2,091,803	1,943,108
Office of Health Insurance Commissioner	2,921,825	2,493,508	2,335,493	2,516,568	2,491,693
Division of Building, Design and Fire Professionals	7,953,746	7,861,073	8,176,923	11,222,347	9,726,849
Office of Cannabis Regulation	0	860,322	1,413,888	1,416,880	4,963,904
Total Expenditures	22,926,405	23,612,913	27,754,929	28,719,082	32,782,818
Expenditures by Object					
Salary And Benefits	17,330,651	17,788,971	18,588,944	21,289,192	22,766,184
Contract Professional Services	2,323,247	2,392,710	4,961,245	2,640,372	2,968,684
Operating Supplies And Expenses	2,753,797	2,834,659	3,981,002	4,390,780	6,321,695
Assistance And Grants	(8,646)	600	155,000	330,000	302,517
Aid To Local Units Of Government	(450)	0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Operating	22,398,598	23,016,940	27,686,191	28,650,344	32,359,080
Capital Purchases And Equipment	527,807	523,973	68,738	68,738	423,738
Operating Transfers	0	72,000	0	0	0
Subtotal: Other	527,807	595,973	68,738	68,738	423,738
Total Expenditures	22,926,405	23,612,913	27,754,929	28,719,082	32,782,818
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	16,364,135	15,696,311	17,469,427	17,490,565	19,610,673
Federal Funds	1,007,599	2,180,159	3,242,464	4,172,593	2,457,467
Restricted Receipts	5,130,695	5,325,946	6,970,025	6,982,645	10,546,750
Operating Transfers From Other Funds	423,977	410,497	73,013	73,279	167,928
Total Expenditures	22,926,405	23,612,913	27,754,929	28,719,082	32,782,818
FTE Authorization	161.0	161.0	161.0	161.0	176.0

Personnel Agency Summary

Department Of Business Regulation

	FY 2021		FY 2022	
	FTE Co	st FTE	Cost	
Classified		155.0	10,947,297	
Unclassified		21.0	2,032,600	
Subtotal	161.0 15,092,9	09 176.0	12,979,897	
Transfer Out	(0.0	(100,788)	
Overtime (1.5)	252,1	16	143,670	
Seasonal/Special Salaries/Wages	36,8	00	0	
Turnover	(959,56	57)	0	
Total Salaries	14,422,2	58	14,592,085	
Benefits				
Contract Stipends	9,3	00	9,300	
FICA	916,7	44	987,138	
Health Benefits	1,269,2	56	2,121,708	
Holiday	4,6	30	0	
Payroll Accrual	63,9	01	75,323	
Retiree Health	716,2	65	679,193	
Retirement	3,432,1	62	3,828,323	
Subtotal	6,412,2	58	7,700,985	
Total Salaries and Benefits	20,834,5	16 176.0	22,293,070	
Cost Per FTE Position			140,562	
Statewide Benefit Assessment	454,6	76	473,114	
Payroll Costs	21,289,1	92 176.0	22,766,184	
Purchased Services				
Buildings and Ground Maintenance	1,1	85	1,185	
Clerical and Temporary Services	5,2	08	5,208	
Design and Engineering Services	4,2	00	4,200	
Information Technology	40,7	00	40,700	
Management & Consultant Services	2,238,5	30	2,376,842	
Medical Services	12,4	39	12,439	
Other Contracts	31,7	98	131,798	
Training and Educational Services	306,3	12	396,312	
Subtotal	2,640,3	72	2,968,684	
Total Personnel	23,929,5	64 176.0	25,734,868	
Distribution by Source of Funds				
General Revenue	15,089,9	26 135.4	16,947,659	
Federal Funds	3,374,2	64 1.0	1,765,306	
Restricted Receipts	5,392,0	95 39.6	6,953,975	
Operating Transfers from Other Funds	73,2	79 0.0	67,928	
Total All Funds	23,929,5	64 176.0	25,734,868	

Performance Measures

Department Of Business Regulation

Timeliness of Banking Division License Issuance

The figures below represent the average amount of time it takes the Banking Division to issue a license. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	40	40	35	20	20
Actual	27.00	19.00	20.00	0.00	

Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner -- Small Group Premium Base Rates

The Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner (OHIC) annually reviews and approves commercial premiums. This review supports OHIC's charge to balance insurance affordability and insurer solvency. This measure focuses on approved premiums for small groups (50 or fewer employees). Due to their size, small groups often have higher rates of increase than large employers and are more vulnerable to changes in their cost structure. OHIC has begun monitoring how closely the effective rates of increase track the approved rates, which will significantly improve future performance data monitoring. The figures below represent the average approved essential health benefits (EHB) base rate increase for small group issuers. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%
Actual	1.60%	5.90%	1.90%	0.00%	

Timeliness of Design Professionals License Issuance

The Boards for Design Professionals examines and licenses professional engineers, land surveyors, landscape and traditional architects. The figures below represent the average amount of time it takes the Boards for Design Professionals to issue a license. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	60	60	60	0	0
Actual	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

OHIC -- Individual Market Premium Base Rates

The figures below represents the average approved individual market premium essential health benefits (EHB) base rate increase. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	4.50%	0.00%	4.50%	0.00%	4.50%
Actual	12.70%	-0.70%	4.00%	0.00%	

Performance Measures

Department Of Business Regulation

Insurance Examiner Utilization Rate

The figures below represent the utilization rate for insurance examiners, calculated by dividing the hours billed to domestic insurance companies by the total hours examiners are available to work. This measure includes only examiner positions whose time is heavily weighted towards examinations with minimal administrative functions. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	73.00%	73.00%	70.00%	75.00%	75.00%
Actual	60.48%	64.39%	80.49%	0.00%	

Customer Satisfaction

The figures below represent average customer satisfaction across the Department, measured through surveys that contain multiple questions to solicit ratings of 1 to 5 that aggregate to a possible perfect score of 100. [Notes: The 2019 target has been revised. Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	95.00	90.00	90.00	91.00	91.00
Actual	89.57	90.03	92.94	0.00	

Business Environment Index

This performance measure assesses the average respondant's assessment of the Rhode Island business environment, measured through surveys that contain multiple questions to solicit ratings of 1 to 5 that aggregate to a possible perfect score of 100. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
Actual	84.24	88.40	89.75	0.00	

Timeliness of Complaint Resolution

The figures below represent the average amount of time it takes across the Department to resolve complaints. [Notes: The 2019 target has been revised. Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	8	9	5	5	5
Actual	10.00	3.00	4.00	0.00	

Performance Measures

Department Of Business Regulation

OHIC -- Insurer Surplus as a Percentage of Revenue (SAPOR)

Surplus as a Percent of Revenue (SAPOR) is the industry standard measure of health insurer financial stability. The Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner (OHIC) tracks SAPOR in support of its legislative mandate to monitor insurer solvency. The figures below represent the straight average (unweighted by membership) of insurer SAPOR. Because SAPOR targets vary by insurance company, the targets below are averages for companies operating in the Rhode Island market. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual		Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	
Target	20.50%	20.50%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	
Actual	14.91%	17.51%	17.89%	0.00%		

OHIC -- Value-Based Alternative Payments

The figures below represent the use of value-based alternative payment models as percent of insured medical payments. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual	Reporting Period: State Fiscal Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	50.00%	50.00%	50.00%	50.00%	50.00%
Actual	50.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	

OHIC -- Large Group Premium Base Rates

The figures below represent the average approved large group premium expected overall average premium trend. [Note: Missing values appear as zeros in the measure.]

Frequency: Annual		Reporting Per	riod: State Fiscal Year		
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Target	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%
Actual	9.20%	9.10%	7.70%	0.00%	

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Central Management

Mission

To administer the functions for the department with regard to the licensing and regulation of designated businesses, occupations and professions through the enforcement of applicable state laws.

Description

Central Management is composed of the Director's Office, budget, regulatory standards, compliance and enforcement. Specific functions include legal research, drafting and analysis of legislation, issuance of legal opinions related to the department's operations, conducting administrative and rate hearings, and providing legal services to the Director, Deputy Directors, and advising the other commissions housed within the department. Central Management compiles, submits and monitors budgets of the respective divisions, approves vouchers and contracts, and provides all personnel and management services. The Director issues show cause and cease and desist orders; renders decisions relative to the operations of financial institutions and insurance companies; has the authority to deny, suspend, or revoke licenses and approve or disapprove rates; and acts as receiver in case of insolvency of certain regulated entities. The Director or his/her designee may be a member of various occupational licensing boards and commissions assigned to the department by the legislature in order to assist in the administration and regulation of licensing programs. The Director is also a member of such diverse administrative bodies such as the Board of Bank Incorporation and the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation. Central Management is also responsible for monitoring legislation impacting the department and for the annual submission of its own legislative program.

Statutory History

R.I. General Laws § 42-14-1 establishes the Director as head of the department. RIGL § 42-14-2 enumerates the functions of the department regarding the regulation of assigned occupations, businesses, and professions.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Central Management

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Operations	2,328,073	2,910,334	5,427,777	3,212,802	4,662,104
Total Expenditures	2,328,073	2,910,334	5,427,777	3,212,802	4,662,104
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	1,200,079	1,551,081	1,600,598	1,656,496	3,209,287
Contract Professional Services	32,205	35,371	2,351,631	30,758	30,758
Operating Supplies and Expenses	1,094,692	1,309,231	1,473,511	1,523,511	1,420,022
Subtotal: Operating	2,326,976	2,895,683	5,425,740	3,210,765	4,660,067
Capital Purchases And Equipment	1,097	14,651	2,037	2,037	2,037
Subtotal: Other	1,097	14,651	2,037	2,037	2,037
Total Expenditures	2,328,073	2,910,334	5,427,777	3,212,802	4,662,104
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	2,328,073	2,623,307	4,536,139	2,861,038	3,015,637
Federal Funds	0	287,027	891,638	351,764	1,646,467
Total Expenditures	2,328,073	2,910,334	5,427,777	3,212,802	4,662,104

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Central Management

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Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Central Management

		FY 2022
	FTE	Cost
Distribution by Source of Funds		
General Revenue	14.4	1,670,739
Federal Funds	0.0	1,569,306
Total All Funds	14.4	3,240,045

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Banking Regulation

Mission

To charter, license and ensure compliance with statutory requirements for the safe and sound operation of regulated financial institutions, Rhode Island bank holding companies, credit unions and licensees in order to protect the public interest. The Banking Division seeks to create a sound financial services industry in the State of Rhode Island by being both a regulator and an advocate. We have interpreted that to mean fostering the growth of a diverse and resilient financial services industry that provides credit to all corners of Rhode Island, holds the confidence of its customers, and whom we do not prevent from competing, innovating, and thriving. We believe that sound and prudent regulation creates a level playing field on which our financial institutions can thrive while at the same time providing protection to Rhode Island consumers.

Description

The Banking Division provides regulatory oversight of state-chartered banks, state chartered credit unions and Rhode Island bank holding companies through financial examinations and reviews to determine compliance with state banking laws, financial solvency, and safety and soundness. The Division is also responsible for regulating, monitoring and examining other licensees, including almost 2,200 mortgage loan originators and approximately 1,100 companies licensed as debt collectors, third party loan servicers, lenders, loan brokers, small loan lenders, sellers of checks, electronic money transmitters, check cashers and debt-management companies. The purpose of examinations are to determine financial solvency and compliance with Rhode Island banking laws and regulations for the protection of depositors and the public. The Division reviews and conducts hearings on applications filed by financial institutions and other licensees. The Division enforces statutes relating to maximum interest charges and state usury laws and conducts administrative hearings when required. Additional responsibilities include investigating and resolving several hundred consumer complaints and inquiries each year.

Statutory History

R.I. General Laws § 19-1 to § 19-14.10 charge the Division of Banking with the regulation, licensing, or registration of financial institutions, Rhode Island bank holding companies, credit unions and licensees (lenders, loan brokers, small loan lenders, mortgage loan originators, foreign exchange transaction businesses, sellers of checks, electronic money transmitters, check cashers, and debt management companies and debt collectors.)

RIGL § 6-26 to § 6-27 relate to Interest, Usury and Truth in Lending.

RIGL § 34-23 to § 34-27 relate to Mortgages.

RIGL § 19-14.3 to § 19-14.8 relate to the Sale of Checks, Electronic Money Transfers, Foreign Exchange Transactions, Insurance Premium Finance Agreements and Debt Management Companies.

RIGL §19-14.9 relates to the registration of debt collectors.

RIGL § 19-14.10 relates to the licensing and supervision of mortgage loan originators.

RIGL § 19-14.11 relates to the licensing of third-party loan servicers.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Banking Regulation

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Operations	1,411,033	1,591,551	1,648,138	1,653,509	1,695,824
Total Expenditures	1,411,033	1,591,551	1,648,138	1,653,509	1,695,824
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	1,339,621	1,518,064	1,557,337	1,562,708	1,603,023
Contract Professional Services	0	0	1,360	1,360	1,360
Operating Supplies and Expenses	65,601	70,377	84,441	84,441	86,441
Subtotal: Operating	1,405,223	1,588,441	1,643,138	1,648,509	1,690,824
Capital Purchases And Equipment	5,810	3,110	5,000	5,000	5,000
Subtotal: Other	5,810	3,110	5,000	5,000	5,000
Total Expenditures	1,411,033	1,591,551	1,648,138	1,653,509	1,695,824
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	1,345,787	1,503,708	1,573,138	1,578,509	1,620,824
Federal Funds	0	27,297	0	0	0
Restricted Receipts	65,245	60,546	75,000	75,000	75,000
Total Expenditures	1,411,033	1,591,551	1,648,138	1,653,509	1,695,824

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Banking Regulation

		FY	2022
		FTE	Cos
Classified			
ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR OF EXAMINATIONS	0AB35A	3.0	287,407
BANK EXAMINER	0AB24A	2.0	114,33
LICENSING AIDE	0AB15A	1.0	41,490
PRINCIPAL BANK EXAMINER	0AB31A	1.0	77,608
SENIOR BANK EXAMINER	0AB28A	5.0	341,167
STATE CHIEF BANK EXAMINER	00139A	1.0	113,697
Subtotal Classified		13.0	975,700
Subtotal		13.0	975,700
Total Salaries			975,700
Benefits			
FICA			74,643
Health Benefits			172,827
Payroll Accrual			5,699
Retiree Health			51,517
Retirement			284,095
Subtotal			588,781
Total Salaries and Benefits		13.0	1,564,481
Cost Per FTE Position			120,345
Statewide Benefit Assessment			38,542
Payroll Costs		13.0	1,603,023
Purchased Services			
Clerical and Temporary Services			720
Other Contracts			640
Subtotal			1,360
Total Personnel		13.0	1,604,383
Distribution by Source of Funds			
General Revenue		13.0	1,604,383
Total All Funds		13.0	1,604,383

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Securities Regulation

Mission

To enforce compliance with the applicable provisions of state laws and regulations related to the securities industry, franchises, charities, fund-raisers, and time-shares.

Description

Securities Regulation is responsible for the registration of certain securities, the licensing and regulation of broker-dealers, sales representatives, certain investment advisers and certain investment adviser representatives. The division is also responsible for enforcing compliance with the state's Franchise Investment Act, the registration of charitable organizations and fundraising groups, and the state's Real Estate Time-Share Act. In FY 2016, the division processed approximately 131,256 licenses and 14,844 registrations, conducted fifteen (15) on-site examinations of broker dealers and investment advisers, investigated 31 complaints, and instituted Five (5) enforcement actions, pursuant to applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

Statutory History

The division is charged with the administration and enforcement of the Rhode Island Uniform Securities Act ("RIUSA"), R.I. General Laws § 7-11; the Franchise Investment Act, § 19-28.1; the Charitable Solicitation Act, § 5-53.1; and the Real Estate Time-Share Act, § 34-41.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Securities Regulation

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Operations	1,033,283	764,541	913,056	719,913	832,118
Total Expenditures	1,033,283	764,541	913,056	719,913	832,118
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	1,017,955	684,650	883,829	690,686	802,891
Operating Supplies and Expenses	14,001	7,891	29,227	29,227	29,227
Subtotal: Operating	1,031,956	692,541	913,056	719,913	832,118
Capital Purchases And Equipment	1,327	0	0	0	0
Operating Transfers	0	72,000	0	0	0
Subtotal: Other	1,327	72,000	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	1,033,283	764,541	913,056	719,913	832,118
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	1,033,283	730,282	691,321	693,610	817,118
Federal Funds	0	34,304	206,735	11,303	0
Restricted Receipts	(0)	(46)	15,000	15,000	15,000
Total Expenditures	1,033,283	764,541	913,056	719,913	832,118

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Securities Regulation

		FY	2022
		FTE	Cost
Classified			
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	0AB21A	1.0	48,995
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR AND SUPERINTENDENT OF INSURANCE	00141A	1.0	112,593
LICENSING AIDE	00315A	1.0	40,479
PRINCIPAL SECURITIES EXAMINER	0AB31A	1.0	78,290
SECURITIES EXAMINER	0AB24A	2.0	116,470
SENIOR SECURITIES EXAMINER	0AB28A	1.0	65,86
Subtotal Classified		7.0	462,694
Subtotal		7.0	462,694
Total Salaries			462,694
Benefits			
FICA			35,396
Health Benefits			125,954
Payroll Accrual			2,696
Retiree Health			24,430
Retirement			133,445
Subtotal			321,921
Total Salaries and Benefits		7.0	784,615
Cost Per FTE Position			112,088
Statewide Benefit Assessment			18,276
Payroll Costs		7.0	802,891
Total Personnel		7.0	802,891
Distribution by Source of Funds			
General Revenue		7.0	802,891
Total All Funds		7.0	802,891

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Insurance Regulation

Mission

To monitor effectively the financial condition and market conduct activities of insurance companies licensed to do business in the State of Rhode Island. To monitor activities of all licensees such as producers, adjusters and appraisers. To ensure consumer access to an equitable insurance market and respond to consumer inquiries and investigate complaints to ensure consumers are treated fairly.

Description

The Insurance Division is responsible for conducting financial examinations of the 27 domestic insurance companies to ensure financial solvency and is also responsible for overseeing the market conduct of domestic or foreign insurance companies to ensure compliance with the insurance statutes and regulations. The Division also performs several licensing functions including, but not limited to, the licensing of over 1,300 insurance companies, over 120,000 insurance producers, adjusters and appraisers. The program also reviews rate and form filings for the Life, Accident and Health, and Property and Casualty lines of business for compliance with state statutes and regulations, and addresses consumer complaints for these lines of business. The program monitors and introduces legislation in order to protect consumers and maintain accreditation by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, which it initially received in June of 1993. The division was reaccredited in December 1998, December 2003, June 2009, and in June 2014, each time receiving the maximum accreditation period of five years.

Statutory History

All chapters of R.I. General Laws § 27-1, RIGL § 42-14, and § 28-29 through § 28-38, and all Insurance Division regulations.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Insurance Regulation

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Operations	5,022,465	5,432,057	5,882,354	5,879,377	6,461,335
Total Expenditures	5,022,465	5,432,057	5,882,354	5,879,377	6,461,335
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	3,742,348	3,975,615	4,066,718	4,063,741	4,523,825
Contract Professional Services	1,136,753	1,260,654	1,635,421	1,635,421	1,753,733
Operating Supplies and Expenses	136,061	191,622	176,715	176,715	180,277
Aid To Local Units Of Government	125	0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Operating	5,015,287	5,427,891	5,878,854	5,875,877	6,457,835
Capital Purchases And Equipment	7,179	4,166	3,500	3,500	3,500
Subtotal: Other	7,179	4,166	3,500	3,500	3,500
Total Expenditures	5,022,465	5,432,057	5,882,354	5,879,377	6,461,335
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	3,576,491	3,720,950	3,650,200	3,659,328	4,314,683
Federal Funds	0	137,856	222,500	209,695	0
Restricted Receipts	1,445,975	1,573,250	2,009,654	2,010,354	2,146,652
Total Expenditures	5,022,465	5,432,057	5,882,354	5,879,377	6,461,335

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Insurance Regulation

		FY	2022
		FTE	Cost
Classified			
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	00121A	1.0	61,870
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR AND SUPERINTENDENT OF INSURANCE	00141A	1.0	135,278
CHIEF INSURANCE EXAMINER	00139A	1.0	105,569
CHIEF LIFE- ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE ANALYST	00137A	2.0	189,279
CHIEF OF LEGAL SERVICES	00139A	1.0	103,457
DEPUTY DIRECTOR FINANCIAL SERVICE (DBR)	00146A	1.0	154,280
INSURANCE ANALYST	0AB24A	3.0	167,886
INSURANCE EXAMINER	0AB24A	4.0	217,021
INSURANCE EXAMINER-IN-CHARGE	0AB36A	3.0	320,452
LEGAL COUNSEL	00132A	1.0	72,684
LICENSING AIDE	0AB15A	4.0	179,658
PRINCIPAL INSURANCE ANALYST	0AB31A	2.0	171,793
PRINCIPAL INSURANCE EXAMINER	0AB31A	2.0	154,403
SENIOR ACCOUNTANT	0AB23A	1.0	60,499
SENIOR INSURANCE ANALYST	0AB28A	1.0	67,920
SENIOR INSURANCE EXAMINER	0AB28A	9.0	606,288
Subtotal Classified		37.0	2,768,337
Subtotal		37.0	2,768,337
Total Salaries			2,768,337
Benefits			
FICA			211,303
Health Benefits			470,010
Payroll Accrual			16,146
Retiree Health			146,168
Retirement			802,513
			1,646,140
Subtotal			1,040,140
Total Salaries and Benefits		37.0	
		37.0	4,414,477
Total Salaries and Benefits		37.0	4,414,477 126,128
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position		37.0 37.0	4,414,477 126,128 109,348
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position Statewide Benefit Assessment			4,414,477
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position Statewide Benefit Assessment Payroll Costs			4,414,477 126,128 109,348
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position Statewide Benefit Assessment Payroll Costs Purchased Services			4,414,477 126,128 109,348 4,523,825

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Insurance Regulation

	F	Y 2022
	FTE	Cost
Purchased Services		
Subtotal		1,753,733
Total Personnel	37.0	6,277,558
Distribution by Source of Funds		
General Revenue	36.0	4,235,924
Restricted Receipts	1.0	2,041,634
Total All Funds	37.0	6,277,558

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Board of Accountancy

Mission

The board intends to continue to intensify its analysis of continuing education records, as well as firm compliance with peer reviews, to efficiently process license renewals and responses, and to commence and resolve disciplinary actions efficiently and promptly.

Description

The Board of Accountancy is an autonomous board that is responsible for the administration of the licensing of certified public accountants, public accountants, partnerships, corporations, and sole proprietorships. It processes applications and fees, and issues initial certificates and permits to regulated business, occupations and professions. The board is responsible for governing the conduct of assigned licensees in order to comply with statutory provisions of the law and to promote the continued welfare of the general public. This includes recommending approval, denial, suspension or revocation of licenses or the imposition of such sanctions or penalties allowed by law. Hearings are held when required in order to resolve complaints and to act upon the denial, suspension or revocation of licenses. The board investigates complaints from the general public in all areas of licensing addressed above. Board personnel oversee the analysis of each CPA or PA application prior to Board review. In addition, Board personnel provide the general public with application and licensing information regarding all certified public accountants and public accountants and update monthly the listing of individual licensees and CPA firms on the DBR website, which facilitates information to the general public.

Statutory History

R.I. General Laws § 5-3.1, et seq. (1956) relate to the Board of Accountancy.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Board of Accountancy

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Operations	4,485	5,550	5,883	5,883	5,883
Total Expenditures	4,485	5,550	5,883	5,883	5,883
Expenditures by Object					
Operating Supplies and Expenses	4,485	5,550	5,883	5,883	5,883
Subtotal: Operating	4,485	5,550	5,883	5,883	5,883
Total Expenditures	4,485	5,550	5,883	5,883	5,883
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	4,485	5,550	5,883	5,883	5,883
Total Expenditures	4,485	5,550	5,883	5,883	5,883

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Commercial Licensing & Gaming & Athletic Licensing

Mission

To increase the efficiency and effectiveness of occupational licensing programs and inspections in order to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of the general public.

To enforce, adjust, amend, and interpret all rules and regulations of all professional boxing, and mixed martial arts events in the state.

Description

Commercial Licensing and Gaming and Athletics Licensing is responsible for the licensing and regulation of real estate agents, brokers and appraisers, auto body and salvage re-builder shops, auto wrecking and salvage yards, glass installation, auctioneers, liquor wholesalers, manufacturers, breweries, wineries, farmer wineries, brew pubs, brew on premise, salespersons (representing wholesalers) and agents (representing manufacturers and distillers), Class G (boat/airline/railroad) license holders, line-cleaners, class P caterer, and mobile and manufactured homes and parks and the enforcement of unit pricing, motor fuel advertising and health club pre-opening laws. The division is also responsible for supervising the enforcement of laws related to licensing and regulation of gaming and athletics licensing activities, including boxing, and mixed martial arts and simulcast wagering and the accounting and collection of racing taxes and fees as specified by state law. The division is also responsible for the licensing, registration and oversight of Medical Marijuana Program participants who commercially produce, manufacture, or sell medical marijuana and industrial hemp. The program provides the general public with application and licensing information for various occupations, businesses and professions. It investigates complaints received from the general public in all areas of licensing. The division also oversees simulcast wagering operations at the Twin River and Newport Grand facilities and conducts and participates in hearings, collects tax revenue and issues occupational licenses.

Statutory History

R.I. General Law § 5-58 relates to auctioneers; § 5-20.5 relates to real estate; § 5-20.7 relates to real estate appraisers; § 5-38 relates to automobile body repair shops; § 5-50 relates to pre-opening of health club sales campaigns; § 6-31 relates to unit pricing; § 23-26 relates to bedding and upholstered furniture; § 31-44 and § 31-44.1 relate to mobile and manufactured homes; § 42-14.2 relates to auto wrecking and salvage yards; § 31-37 relates to advertising and sale of motor fuel at retail; § 31-46-7 relates to auto body salvage re-builders' licenses; and § 3-1 relates to alcoholic beverages. RIGL § 21-28.6 relates to the Medical Marijuana Program; § 2-26 relates to industrial hemp. RIGL § 41-1 Sports, Racing, and Athletics. On 8/11/2016 the statute was amended to Division of Gaming and Athletics Licensing.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Commercial Licensing and Gaming and Athletics Licensing

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Operations	2,251,496	1,693,977	1,951,417	2,091,803	1,943,108
Total Expenditures	2,251,496	1,693,977	1,951,417	2,091,803	1,943,108
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	2,053,674	1,620,596	1,729,414	1,869,800	1,791,105
Contract Professional Services	45,215	900	1,040	1,040	1,040
Operating Supplies and Expenses	144,734	72,481	137,762	137,762	127,762
Assistance And Grants	0	0	80,000	80,000	20,000
Subtotal: Operating	2,243,623	1,693,977	1,948,216	2,088,602	1,939,907
Capital Purchases And Equipment	7,873	0	3,201	3,201	3,201
Subtotal: Other	7,873	0	3,201	3,201	3,201
Total Expenditures	2,251,496	1,693,977	1,951,417	2,091,803	1,943,108
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	938,966	880,793	1,008,450	1,011,227	1,053,039
Federal Funds	0	126,447	0	135,256	0
Restricted Receipts	1,312,530	686,736	942,967	945,320	890,069
Total Expenditures	2,251,496	1,693,977	1,951,417	2,091,803	1,943,108

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Commercial Licensing and Gaming and Athletics Licensing

		FY	2022
		FTE	Cost
Classified			
ADMINISTRATOR REAL ESTATE	00135A	1.0	99,908
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	0AB21A	1.0	50,414
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR AND SUPERINTENDENT OF INSURANCE	00141A	1.0	129,931
CHIEF IMPLEMENTATION AIDE	0AB28A	1.0	75,757
CHIEF LICENSING EXAMINER-RACING & ATHLETICS	00137A	1.0	95,261
CHIEF PUBLIC PROTECTION INSPECTOR	0AB32A	1.0	82,160
FISCAL CLERK	03714A	0.6	39,193
IMPLEMENTATION AIDE	0AB22A	1.0	49,574
LICENSING AIDE	0AB15A	2.0	84,643
PARI-MUTUEL OPERATIONS SPECIALIST	03726A	4.0	236,666
SYSTEMS ANALYST	0AB24A	1.0	59,942
Subtotal Classified		14.6	1,003,449
Unclassified			
STATE INSPECTOR-RACING AND ATHLETICS	00859Н	0.0	15,686
Subtotal Unclassified		0.0	15,686
Subtotal		14.6	1,019,135
Transfer In			64,154
Total Salaries			1,083,289
Benefits			
FICA			83,897
Health Benefits			194,682
Payroll Accrual			6,292
Retiree Health			56,369
Retirement			324,407
			665,647
Subtotal			003,047
Subtotal Total Salaries and Benefits		14.6	·
		14.6	1,748,936
Total Salaries and Benefits		14.6	1,748,936 119,790
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position		14.6	1,748,936 119,790 42,169
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position Statewide Benefit Assessment			1,748,936 119,790 42,169
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position Statewide Benefit Assessment Payroll Costs			1,748,936 119,790 42,169 1,791,105
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position Statewide Benefit Assessment Payroll Costs Purchased Services			1,748,936 119,790 42,169 1,791,105
Total Salaries and Benefits Cost Per FTE Position Statewide Benefit Assessment Payroll Costs Purchased Services Clerical and Temporary Services			1,748,936 119,790 42,169 1,791,105

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Commercial Licensing and Gaming and Athletics Licensing

]	FY 2022
	FTE	Cost
Distribution by Source of Funds		
General Revenue	9.0	1,032,736
Restricted Receipts	5.6	759,409
Total All Funds	14.6	1,792,145

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner

Mission

While ensuring the solvency of health insurers, the Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner strives to protect consumers, encourage the fair treatment of providers, and work collaboratively with all interested parties to improve the health care system's quality, accessibility, and affordability.

Description

The Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner (OHIC) is the first state agency dedicated solely to health insurance oversight – balancing traditional regulation with policy development. OHIC's core functions include: (1) consumer protection and market conduct; (2) health plan form and rate review across multiple health insurance lines of business (3) statutory and regulatory enforcement; and (4) policy development for health care system reform. OHIC oversees health insurer business practices in a market comprising over one billion dollars of premium. The Department of Business Regulation shares certain administrative and regulatory services and personnel with the Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner as directed by statute.

Statutory History

R.I. General Laws § 42-14.5-1 established the Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner. Applicable insurer regulations are found in various chapters of the RIGL § 27 and RIGL § 42.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Office of Health Insurance Commissioner

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Operations	2,921,825	2,493,508	2,335,493	2,516,568	2,491,693
Total Expenditures	2,921,825	2,493,508	2,335,493	2,516,568	2,491,693
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	1,978,165	1,715,715	1,613,735	1,619,810	1,772,868
Contract Professional Services	852,751	707,073	595,757	595,757	615,757
Operating Supplies and Expenses	84,032	69,154	126,001	126,001	103,068
Assistance And Grants	0	0	0	175,000	0
Subtotal: Operating	2,914,948	2,491,941	2,335,493	2,516,568	2,491,693
Capital Purchases And Equipment	6,877	1,567	0	0	0
Subtotal: Other	6,877	1,567	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	2,921,825	2,493,508	2,335,493	2,516,568	2,491,693
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	1,560,423	1,614,244	1,710,887	1,715,184	1,728,734
Federal Funds	1,001,014	450,654	132,983	308,027	140,000
Restricted Receipts	360,389	428,609	491,623	493,357	622,959
Total Expenditures	2,921,825	2,493,508	2,335,493	2,516,568	2,491,693

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Office of Health Insurance Commissioner

		FY	2022
		FTE	Cos
Unclassified			
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	00722A	1.0	56,10
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR PLANNING- POLICY & REGULATION	00843A	1.0	144,76
DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER PROTECTION/EDUCATION PROGRAMS	08835A	1.0	84,24
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/CHIEF OF STAFF	00841A	2.0	251,74
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	00836A	1.0	102,29
HEALTH ECONOMIC SPECIALIST	00831A	1.0	81,39
HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSIONER	00854A	1.0	252,59
PRINCIPAL POLICY ASSOCIATE	00837A	2.0	198,78
SENIOR POLICY ANALYST/PUBLIC INFORMATION	00831A	1.0	81,39
Subtotal Unclassified		11.0	1,253,32
Subtotal		11.0	1,253,32
Transfer Out			(100,788
Total Salaries			1,152,53
Benefits			
FICA			81,605
Health Benefits			93,619
Payroll Accrual			6,710
Retiree Health			60,85
Retirement			332,010
Subtotal			574,81
Total Salaries and Benefits		11.0	1,727,34
Cost Per FTE Position			172,73
Statewide Benefit Assessment			45,525
Payroll Costs		11.0	1,772,86
Purchased Services			
Management & Consultant Services			615,75
Subtotal			615,75
Total Personnel		11.0	2,388,62
Distribution by Source of Funds			
General Revenue		6.0	1,669,96
Federal Funds		1.0	140,00
Restricted Receipts		4.0	578,66
Total All Funds		11.0	2,388,62

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Division of Building, Design & Fire Professionals

Mission

To increase the efficiency and effectiveness of occupational licensing programs and inspections in order to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of the general public.

Description

The Building, Design and Fire Professionals division's purpose is to streamline the state review, regulation, and enforcement for all professions related to building and construction design, inspection, and enforcement of the building and fire codes. The Division is comprised of the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM), the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review (FSCBAR), the State Building Office (SBO), which includes the Building Code Commission (BCC), the Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board (CRLB), the Boards of Registration for Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors, the Board of Examination and Registration of Architects, and the Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects.

The OSFM has four units: investigations, inspections, plan review, and the Rhode Island State Bomb Squad (Squad). The investigations unit is responsible for conducting fire investigations where arson is suspected, and/or an injury or death has occurred. The Squad is responsible for responding to, mitigating, and investigating all incidents involving explosive materials. The Squad also provides tactical assistance to Federal, State, and local law enforcement entities. The inspections & plan review units work collaboratively and are responsible for reviewing construction plans, issuing building permits and inspecting new and remodeled structures relating to fire safety.

The FSCBAR is charged with the development and administrative review of a comprehensive fire safety code covering the State. Furthermore, the FSCBAR evaluates the proposed use of new fire-related technologies and provides the OSFM, other state agencies and all municipal fire departments with legal, regulatory and technical information.

The SBO is comprised of the BCC which establishes the minimum requirements necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare in the built environment by promulgating model building codes, and conducts plan reviews, inspects and issues building permits on all state-owned buildings; the CRLB which is tasked with the registration and regulation of all contractors, and the licensing and regulation of eight professions in the construction industry, taking administrative action against persons who violate applicable laws and regulations and providing consumer protection through a dispute resolution process; and the Engineers, Land Surveyors, Landscape Architects and Architects Boards for which the Division is responsible for enforcing the laws and regulations applicable to each of those professions.

Statutory History

R.I. General Laws § 5-65-15.1 establishes the duties, authority and responsibility of the State Building Commission. RIGL § 5-65 et al., establishes and sets the legislative operating authority for the Contractors' Registration and Licensing Board. RIGL § 23-28.3-1 governs the Fire Code Board of Appeal and Review. RIGL § 23-28 establishes the Rhode Island State Fire Marshal and defines its duties. RIGL § 5-8.1 establishes the Boards of Engineers Land Surveyors, RIGL § 5-1 establishes the Board of Architects. RIGL § 5-51 establishes the Board of Landscape Architects.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Division of Building, Design and Fire Professionals

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Contractor's Registration and Licensing Board	1,553,043	1,312,210	1,488,727	4,186,120	1,342,483
Fire Code Board of Appeal and Review	333,666	326,419	360,346	361,559	370,604
Fire Marshal	4,421,462	4,888,976	4,854,958	5,196,960	6,048,836
State Building Code Commission	1,645,575	1,333,468	1,472,892	1,477,708	1,964,926
Total Expenditures	7,953,746	7,861,073	8,176,923	11,222,347	9,726,849
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	5,998,808	6,044,159	6,287,389	8,973,035	6,863,245
Contract Professional Services	256,324	243,794	356,036	356,036	446,036
Operating Supplies and Expenses	1,210,191	1,072,795	1,458,498	1,818,276	2,225,051
Assistance And Grants	(8,646)	600	75,000	75,000	32,517
Aid To Local Units Of Government	(575)	0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Operating	7,456,101	7,361,348	8,176,923	11,222,347	9,566,849
Capital Purchases And Equipment	497,645	499,725	0	0	160,000
Subtotal: Other	497,645	499,725	0	0	160,000
Total Expenditures	7,953,746	7,861,073	8,176,923	11,222,347	9,726,849
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
General Revenue	5,576,627	4,617,476	4,293,409	5,965,786	7,054,755
Federal Funds	6,585	1,116,572	1,788,608	3,156,548	671,000
Restricted Receipts	1,946,556	1,716,527	2,021,893	2,026,734	1,833,166
Operating Transfers from Other Funds	423,977	410,497	73,013	73,279	167,928
Total Expenditures	7,953,746	7,861,073	8,176,923	11,222,347	9,726,849

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Division of Building, Design and Fire Professionals

		FY 2022	
		FTE	Cost
Classified			
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	00124A	1.0	56,953
ARCHITECT BUILDING COMMISSION	00335A	1.0	90,166
ASSISTANT EXPLOSIVES AND FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS TECHNICIAN	03629A	2.0	125,571
BOMB TECHNICIAN I	03626A	3.0	158,166
BOMB TECHNICIAN III	03632A	1.0	73,148
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT OFFICER	00B26A	1.0	82,932
CHIEF DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL	00134A	2.0	168,680
CHIEF OF FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS	03627A	1.0	71,892
CHIEF OF INSPECTIONS	00135A	6.0	540,167
CHIEF OF INSPECTIONS	00142A	1.0	107,774
CHIEF PLAN REVIEW OFFICER FIRE SAFETY	03627A	1.0	61,185
CHIEF STATE BUILDING CODE OFFICIAL (PLUMBING/MECH INSP)	00332A	1.0	87,458
CLERK SECRETARY	04016A	1.0	43,862
DEPUTY DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION	00144A	1.0	126,156
DIRECTOR OF FIRE TRAINING	00136A	1.0	90,721
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	00118A	1.0	48,603
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FIRE SAFETY CODE OF APPEAL & REVIEW	03640A	1.0	110,697
FIRE INVESTIGATOR	03622A	1.0	47,804
FIRE INVESTIGATOR II	03624A	1.0	51,817
FIRE INVESTIGATOR III	03627A	2.0	130,046
FIRE INVESTIGATOR IV	03630A	1.0	66,018
FIRE SAFETY INSPECTOR	03621A	1.0	44,840
FIRE SAFETY INSPECTOR II	03623A	12.0	602,367
FIRE SAFETY TRAINING OFFICER	03628A	2.0	133,715
HEARING OFFICER CONTRACTORS' REGISTRATION BOARD	00334A	1.0	99,499
LICENSING AIDE	00315A	1.0	41,434
LICENSING AIDE	03615A	1.0	42,210
PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC AND POLICY ANALYST	00138A	1.0	97,194
PRINCIPAL STATE BUILDING CODE OFFICIAL (ELECTRICAL)	00331A	1.0	71,884
PRODUCTIVITY PROJECT DIRECTOR	00130A	1.0	67,796
SENIOR STATE BUILDING CODE OFFICIAL (BUILDING)	00328A	3.0	190,820
Subtotal Classified		55.0	3,731,575
Unclassified			
ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE	04514A	1.0	43,275
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	00323A	2.0	120,882
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	04521A	1.0	58,816

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Division of Building, Design and Fire Professionals

		FY	2022
		FTE	Cost
Unclassified			
STATE FIRE MARSHAL	00843A	1.0	131,604
Subtotal Unclassified		5.0	354,577
Subtotal		60.0	4,086,152
Overtime (1.5)			143,670
Total Salaries			4,229,822
Benefits			
Contract Stipends			9,300
FICA			319,870
Health Benefits			667,862
Payroll Accrual			24,065
Retiree Health			215,754
Retirement			1,270,159
Subtotal			2,507,010
Total Salaries and Benefits		60.0	6,736,832
Cost Per FTE Position			114,184
Statewide Benefit Assessment			126,413
Payroll Costs		60.0	6,863,245
Purchased Services			
Buildings and Ground Maintenance			1,185
Clerical and Temporary Services			1,200
Design and Engineering Services			4,200
Information Technology			40,700
Medical Services			12,439
Training and Educational Services			386,312
Subtotal			446,036
Total Personnel		60.0	7,309,281
Distribution by Source of Funds			
General Revenue		50.0	5,931,023
Federal Funds		0.0	56,000
Restricted Receipts		10.0	1,254,330
Operating Transfers from Other Funds		0.0	67,928
Total All Funds		60.0	7,309,281

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION

Office of Cannabis Regulation

Mission

The Office of Cannabis Regulation (OCR) is charged with regulating adult use marijuana, medical marijuana, and industrial hemp in order to safeguard public health, maintain public safety, and prevent youth access.

Description

OCR has oversight over legal cannabis in the state, which is comprised of three elements: adult use marijuana, medical marijuana, and industrial hemp. The FY 2017 enacted budget moved regulation of the commercial aspects of the state's medical marijuana program from the Department of Health to the Department of Business Regulation. This includes overseeing the state's medical marijuana dispensaries (known as compassion centers); medical marijuana cultivators; caregivers who can grow marijuana on behalf of patients; and patients who choose to grow for themselves. The 2016 General Assembly passed the Hemp Growth Act, which established DBR as the regulator of hemp growers and handlers. As the regulator of adult use marijuana, OCR is tasked with licensing marijuana cultivators, processors, and retailers. OCR processes license application, conducts inspections, and undertakes enforcement actions when needed. OCR works alongside the Division of Taxation to ensure proper collection of marijuana excise and sales taxes, and to license and collect tax from entities selling cannabidiol (CBD) products derived from industrial hemp. OCR aids local and state law enforcement in the proper enforcement of the state's cannabis laws. OCR also helps the Department of Public Health and the Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals to address the prevention, treatment, and public health aspects of a legal cannabis market.

Statutory History

R.I. General Laws § 21-28.11 establish The Office of Cannabis Regulation. RIGL § 21-28.6 establishes DBR's role as the regulator of the commercial medical marijuana market. RIGL § 2-26 gives DBR oversight over industrial hemp.

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Office of Cannabis Regulation

Expenditures by Sub Program	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Enacted Budget	2021 Revised Budget	2022 Recommended
Adult Use Marijuana Program	0	0	0	0	3,929,463
Medical Marijuana Program	0	860,322	1,413,888	1,416,880	1,034,441
Total Expenditures	0	860,322	1,413,888	1,416,880	4,963,904
Expenditures by Object					
Salary and Benefits	0	679,092	849,924	852,916	2,199,940
Contract Professional Services	0	144,919	20,000	20,000	120,000
Operating Supplies and Expenses	0	35,558	488,964	488,964	2,143,964
Assistance And Grants	0	0	0	0	250,000
Subtotal: Operating	0	859,568	1,358,888	1,361,880	4,713,904
Capital Purchases And Equipment	0	754	55,000	55,000	250,000
Subtotal: Other	0	754	55,000	55,000	250,000
Total Expenditures	0	860,322	1,413,888	1,416,880	4,963,904
Expenditures by Source of Funds					
Restricted Receipts	0	860,322	1,413,888	1,416,880	4,963,904
Total Expenditures	0	860,322	1,413,888	1,416,880	4,963,904

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Office of Cannabis Regulation

		FY	2022
		FTE	Cost
Classified			
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	0AB24A	2.0	114,176
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL LIC AND REGUL	00141A	0.0	(
CHIEF OF INSPECTIONS	00135A	1.0	78,631
CHIEF PUBLIC PROTECTION INSPECTOR	0AB32A	6.0	436,533
ECONOMIC AND POLICY ANALYST I	00130A	2.0	129,973
IMPLEMENTATION DIRECTOR POLICY AND PROGRAMS	00140A	1.0	97,781
INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECT MANAGER	00139A	2.0	184,183
INVESTIGATIVE AUDITOR	00133A	2.0	150,143
LEGAL COUNSEL	00132A	0.0	0
LICENSING AIDE	00315A	2.0	79,115
SENIOR ECONOMIC AND POLICY ANALYST	00134A	0.0	0
Subtotal Classified		18.0	1,270,535
Unclassified			
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	00822A	1.0	50,324
Subtotal Unclassified		1.0	50,324
Subtotal		19.0	1,320,859
Total Salaries			1,320,859
Benefits			
FICA			101,661
Health Benefits			263,491
Payroll Accrual			7,708
Retiree Health			69,741
Retirement			384,306
Subtotal			826,907
Total Salaries and Benefits		19.0	2,147,766
Cost Per FTE Position			268,471
Statewide Benefit Assessment			52,174
Payroll Costs		19.0	2,199,940
Purchased Services			
Management & Consultant Services			-
			20,000
Other Contracts			
Other Contracts Subtotal			20,000 100,000 120,000

Agency: Department Of Business Regulation

Office of Cannabis Regulation

		FY 2022
	FTE	Cost
Distribution by Source of Funds		
Restricted Receipts	19.0	2,319,940
Total All Funds	19.0	2,319,940