

Joint Budget Committee Staff FY 2015-16 Budget Briefing Summary

Department of Regulatory Agencies

The Department of Regulatory Agencies is responsible for consumer protection carried out through regulatory programs that license, establish standards, approve rates, investigate complaints, and conduct enforcement through over 40 boards, commissions, and advisory committees across more than 50 professions, occupations, programs, and institutions. The Department is organized in the following 10 predominantly cash-funded divisions: (1) Executive Director's Office; (2) Banking; (3) Civil Rights; (4) Consumer Counsel; (5) Financial Services; (6) Insurance; (7) Public Utilities Commission; (8) Real Estate; (9) Professions and Occupations; and (10) Securities. The Department's FY 2014-15 appropriation represents 0.4 percent of statewide operating appropriations and 0.02 percent of statewide General Fund appropriations.

FY 2014-15 Appropriation and FY 2015-16 Request

	Department of Regulatory Agencies					
	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reappropriated Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2014-15 Appropriation						
H.B. 14-1336 (Long Bill)	\$85,864,050	\$1,882,646	\$77,871,913	\$4,722,507	\$1,386,984	580.6
Other legislation	802,770	<u>0</u>	802,770	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	7.0
TOTAL	\$86,666,820	\$1,882,646	\$78,674,683	\$4,722,507	\$1,386,984	587.6
FY 2015-16 Requested Appropriation						
FY 2014-15 Appropriation	\$86,666,820	1,882,646	\$78,674,683	\$4,722,507	\$1,386,984	587.6
R1 DPO personal services reduction	(250,000)	0	(250,000)	0	0	(3.5)
NP1 Annual fleet vehicle request	1,445	0	1,445	0	0	0.0
Centrally appropriated line items	1,144,756	102,648	971,621	37,637	32,850	0.0
Indirect cost assessment	59,684	0	52,945	3,868	2,871	0.0
Technical changes	0	5,800	(3,660)	(2,140)	0	0.0
Annualize prior year legislation	(259,018)	0	(259,018)	0	0	(0.5)
Annualize prior year funding	(72,485)	(2,526)	<u>(58,608)</u>	(11,575)	<u>224</u>	<u>0.0</u>
TOTAL	\$87,291,202	\$1,988,568	\$79,129,408	\$4,750,297	\$1,422,929	583.6
Increase/(Decrease)	\$624,382	\$105,922	\$454,725	\$27,790	\$35,945	(4.0)
Percentage Change	0.7%	5.6%	0.6%	0.6%	2.6%	(0.7%)

Summary of Issues Presented to the Joint Budget Committee

Department's Lease Expiration: The Department of Regulatory Agencies is currently pursuing lease options because their lease for the 1560 Broadway office space expires June 30, 2016.

Colorado Credit Unions Serving the Marijuana Industry: The Department of Regulatory Agencies' Division of Financial Services has oversight of credit unions, as well as several other types of financial institutions, and is currently addressing the issue of access to financial institutions by the state's marijuana industry.

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To read the entire briefing: http://www.tornado.state.co.us/gov_dir/leg_dir/jbc/2014-15/regbrf.pdf