

Office of the Attorney General



Department Description

The mission Department of Justice is to To protect the people and resources of the State of Louisiana by providing superior legal representation, and interpretation, professional and effective law enforcement, and public education programs.

In order to realize the vision, the Department of Justice strives to serve the state by:

- Provide superior legal and professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.
- Improve the process of recovering monies owed the State of Louisiana and limit the liabilities of the state.
- Develop and support programs that ensure a safe environment in Louisiana communities, schools, and workplaces.

Department Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$18,417,092	\$20,889,910	\$21,342,949	\$24,190,997	\$22,927,779	\$1,584,830
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	21,881,322	24,808,905	24,808,905	26,642,057	25,989,244	1,180,339
Fees & Self-generated	9,054,279	15,719,616	16,199,751	15,939,861	15,806,306	(393,445)
Statutory Dedications	16,049,260	41,161,513	41,431,605	37,821,837	38,845,700	(2,585,905)
Federal Funds	7,305,220	9,210,759	9,352,138	9,439,428	9,409,641	57,503
Total Means of Financing	72,707,173	111,790,703	113,135,348	114,034,180	112,978,670	(156,678)



Department Budget Summary

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Expenditures and Request:						
Office of the Attorney General	72,707,173	111,790,703	113,135,348	114,034,180	112,978,670	(156,678)
Total Expenditures	72,707,173	111,790,703	113,135,348	114,034,180	112,978,670	(156,678)
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	521	534	534	539	539	5
Total Authorized Positions	521	534	534	539	539	5
Authorized Other Charges Positions	1	1	1	1	1	0



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Agency Description

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Agency Budget Summary

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Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$18,417,092	\$20,889,910	\$21,342,949	\$24,190,997	\$22,927,779	\$1,584,830
State General Fund by:						
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Statutory Dedications	16,049,260	41,161,513	41,431,605	37,821,837	38,845,700	(2,585,905)
Federal Funds	7,305,220	9,210,759	9,352,138	9,439,428	9,409,641	57,503
Total Means of Finance	72,707,173	111,790,703	113,135,348	114,034,180	112,978,670	(156,678)
Expenditures and Request:						
Administrative	7,788,907	8,372,733	8,568,755	8,738,303	8,665,887	97,132
Civil Law	19,329,723	34,541,563	35,106,781	36,614,081	35,875,828	769,047
Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud	19,041,298	39,650,923	40,234,328	38,668,235	39,167,565	(1,066,763)
Risk Litigation	19,631,133	21,401,647	21,401,647	23,207,505	22,581,986	1,180,339
Gaming	6,916,113	7,823,837	7,823,837	6,806,056	6,687,404	(1,136,433)
Total Expenditures	72,707,173	111,790,703	113,135,348	114,034,180	112,978,670	(156,678)
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	521	534	534	539	539	5
Total Authorized Positions	521	534	534	539	539	5
Authorized Other Charges Positions	1	1	1	1	1	0



1411-Administrative

Program Authorization

La. Constitution, Article IV, Section 8; La. Constitution, Article IV, Section 13; La. R.S. 36:704(b)

Program Description

The mission of the Administrative Services Program is to provide superior services to the citizens of Louisiana, management support and oversight to the Department of Justice, and support to other governmental entities in the federal, state, and local sectors.

The goals of the Administrative Program are:

- I. Provide professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.
- II. Improve the process of recovering monies owed the State of Louisiana and limit the liabilities of the State.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Accounting/Finance section is responsible for receiving and classifying all revenues, processing vendor payments, employee reimbursements and preparing fiscal reports in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Legislature, Division of Administration, etc.
- The Human Resource/Payroll section is responsible for the management of new, existing and retired employees at the Department of Justice. Core responsibilities include personnel recruitment and hiring, application management, training and development, safety, employee relations, benefits administration and compliance with labor and employment laws.
- The Purchasing section makes certain that all provisions of the state Procurement Code are met. They are also responsible for procuring all commodities, assisting with contracts and leases, as well as overseeing the purchasing needs of specialized items for federal and state grants, ensures requisitions are completed correctly, and that a purchase order is generated and forwarded to the appropriate vendor.
- The Collections section represents 27 public colleges, universities, technical and community colleges, the State Department of Education, the Board of Regents, and the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the collection and litigation of defaulted educational loans/benefits. The Collections section also represents 24 Boards, Agencies, and Commissions in the collection of their accounts receivables.
- The Property Control/Central Receiving/ Fleet Management /Mail Operations section is responsible for maintaining inventory of all movable property purchased by the department; receiving all commodities delivered to the Livingston Building; handling fleet management and coordinating the distribution of mail for the department.
- The Governmental section provides assistance to local officials and facilitates effective communication between public entities and the Department of Justice.
- The Management Information Systems/Telecommunications section is responsible for coordinating all information technology services for the department. This includes assisting divisions in analyzing their computer equipment and technology needs, designing custom applications, training department employees in the use of hardware and software, responding to requests for computer service through the operation of a Help Desk, providing litigation support, maintaining a wide area network linking all computers in 10 buildings statewide, purchasing and coordinating the installation of all telecommunications equipment.
- The Budget/Accountability section is responsible for maintaining and tracking the department's budget; it is also responsible for conceiving methods of accountability for all Department of Justice programs. In addition,

the section is also responsible for developing, maintaining and operating a performance based management system within the Department of Justice.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$3,983,384	\$2,731,438	\$2,927,460	\$2,846,728	\$2,795,364	\$(132,096)
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-generated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Dedications	2,845,383	4,865,232	4,865,232	5,059,529	5,038,477	173,245
Federal Funds	960,140	776,063	776,063	832,046	832,046	55,983
Total Means of Finance	7,788,907	8,372,733	8,568,755	8,738,303	8,665,887	97,132
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	5,644,091	5,485,358	5,485,358	5,628,229	5,579,375	94,017
Operating Expenses	910,609	958,534	958,534	979,046	958,534	0
Professional Services	3,252	142,534	142,534	145,584	142,534	0
Other Charges	1,091,134	1,673,307	1,673,307	1,751,444	1,751,444	78,137
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	139,821	113,000	309,022	234,000	234,000	(75,022)
Total Expenditures & Request	7,788,907	8,372,733	8,568,755	8,738,303	8,665,887	97,132
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	63	63	63	63	63	0
Total Authorized Positions	63	63	63	63	63	0
Authorized Other Charges Positions	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- State General Fund (Direct)
- Statutory Dedications from the following funds:
 - Department of Justice Legal Support Fund created by R.S. 49:259(A)
 - Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund created by R.S. 49:257(G)(2)
- Federal Funds derived from:
 - The Department of Health and Human Services Medicaid Fraud Unit

Per R.S. 39:36B(8), see table below for a listing of each statutorily dedicated fund.

Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
2,927,460	8,568,755	63	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2024

Statewide Adjustments

\$0	\$234,000	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(48,854)	\$(48,854)	0	Attrition Adjustment



Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
\$6,365	\$6,365	0	Capitol Park Security
\$0	\$11,602	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$2,712	\$8,913	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees
\$0	\$57,991	0	Maintenance in State-Owned Buildings
\$0	\$(113,000)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(196,022)	\$(196,022)	0	Non-recurring Carryforwards
\$0	\$(5,746)	0	Office of State Procurement
\$(51,509)	\$(51,509)	0	Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$(54,750)	\$(54,750)	0	Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$19,527	\$19,527	0	Risk Management
\$190,435	\$228,615	0	Salary Base Adjustment
(132,096)	97,132	0	Total Statewide
0	0	0	Total Non-Statewide
2,795,364	8,665,887	63	Total Recommended

Fees & Self-generated

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Fees & Self-generated Revenues	0	0	0	0	0	0

Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Department of Justice Legal Support Fund	492,627	1,409,885	1,409,885	1,427,246	1,409,885	0
Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund	2,352,756	3,455,347	3,455,347	3,632,283	3,628,592	173,245

Professional Services

Amount	Description
Professional Services:	
\$142,534	Contract technical assistance and consultation services required by the Administrative Program to carry out the mission of the department.
\$142,534	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
Other Charges:	
\$119,707	Expenses associated with the costs for expert witnesses, contract legal services, court transcripts, records, depositions, and filing fees.
\$119,707	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
Interagency Transfers:	
\$53,211	Capitol Park Security Fees
\$314,327	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$10,552	Uniform Payroll System (UPS) Fees
\$17,966	Legislative Auditor Fees



Other Charges

Amount	Description
\$93,959	Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees
\$118,814	Office of Technology Services - Printing and Communication services
\$217,152	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$691,780	Benson Towers Rent
\$3,250	Office of State Procurement (OSP) Fees
\$110,726	Maintenance in State-owned Buildings
\$1,631,737	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$1,751,444	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$68,000	Replacement of 20 laptops, law books / reading materials, security cameras, and printers
\$166,000	Replacement of six (6) automobiles
\$234,000	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1411-01 Ensure that 95% of new full-time employees shall attend an administrative orientation within 60 days after hire.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Percent of new full-time employees hired that have attended an orientation training within 60 days of hire	99.18	95%	95%	95%	95%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of new full-time employees hired	79	54	64	81	123
Number of new full-time employees who have attended an administrative orientation.	82	53	63	79	122

Objective: 1411-02 Collect at least \$4,000,000 in outstanding student loans and \$5,000,000 total collections.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Total collections	25,817,864	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
[S] Amount collected per collector	2,377,335	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000
[K] Total collections from outstanding student loan cases	15,300,348	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000



General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of collectors	26	28	11	9.64	10.86



1412-Civil Law

Program Authorization

Louisiana Constitution Article IV, Section 8; R.S. 36:702; R.S. 36:704(D); and R.S. 36:704(E)

Program Description

The mission of the Civil Law Program is to defend the State of Louisiana by providing competent and superior professional legal services while defending the State's constitution and its duly enacted laws, as well as to provide legal representation, counsel and assistance to fulfill the needs of the State of Louisiana.

The goal of the Civil Law Program is to provide superior legal and professional services to the State of Louisiana and its citizens. As necessary for the assertion or protection of any right or interest of the state, this division will institute, prosecute, or intervene in any civil action or proceeding.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Civil Division defends the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana; provides information and legal services (opinions, counsel, and representation) in the areas of general civil law, general governmental law, public finance and contract law, education law, environmental law, and land and natural resource law.
- The Education/Interagency Transfer Section represents the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Board of Regents, the Department of Education, and various other public agencies on education related litigation. This section represents public officials in various litigation involving education law. The Education Section responds to requests for attorney general opinions from the various state and local education boards on issues related to elementary, secondary and higher education.
- The Interagency Transfer Section includes administration of attorneys in other state departments, including Work Force Commission. The attorneys in this section represent these agencies in a variety of capacities, including confidential assistant, general counsel, litigation defense, and the defense of statutory law alleged to be unconstitutional.
- The Governmental Section defends the State of Louisiana in constitutional challenges to state laws brought in both state and federal courts. This section also defends state agencies and elected officials in injunctive proceedings, declaratory judgment actions, mandamus actions, and petitions for judicial review. This section generally performs legal services for state and local officials in the form of rendering advisory opinions, and/or serving as statutory legal counsel to the state's justices of the peace, constables, parish board of election supervisors, and registrars of voters. Attorney general opinions rendered by this section cover a broad spectrum of questions from open meetings, public records, dual office holding, elections and general governmental law. This Section represents and/or assists a number of state boards and commissions, including but are not limited to the following: Chiropractor Examiners Board, Social Work Board, Psychology Board, Professional Counselor's Board, Private Investigator's Board, Massage Therapy Board, and Auctioneer's Board. This Section handles reapportionment and election cases both independently and in conjunction with other state officials. This Section also provides legal representation, renders advice, and prepares educational publications and training for the state's 776 elected Justices of the Peace and Constables. This Section approves forms used by the Secretary of State.
- The Lands & Natural Resources Section advises and renders legal support to state agencies, levee boards, commissions, and other political subdivisions pertaining to lands, water bottoms, boundaries, accretion and erosion, oil and gas, public rights of use and access, sale and acquisition of lands, expenditure of public funds, and related activities. In addition, this section administers the Department of Justice's responsibilities for disaster response matters related to cemeteries as well as representing the state on matters such as grave desecration and human remains theft. This section represents numerous state agencies on bankruptcy matters related to oil and gas, state lands, and wildlife matters. Large components of the section's litigation are consumed by tak-



ings claims against the State arising from public works and coastal protection projects, including levee servitudes, flowage easements, and large-scale constructions. In addition, this section represents the State in numerous licensing proceedings throughout the year to ensure that the cemeteries of this State are being operated pursuant to law. Part of this work also includes the recovery of, often, hundreds of thousands of dollars a year in cemetery trust fund underpayments or mismanagement that directly benefit consumers. This section defends the title of the state and its political subdivisions to land and water bottoms, and safeguards the interests of the state in lands and mineral transactions involving publicly-owned lands and water bottoms. Increasingly, this section has led efforts to recover funds from various entities for the plugging and abandonment of oil and gas wells. The section brings actions against mineral companies that owe the state for royalty underpayments. The Lands & Natural Resources Section defends the constitutionality of statutes within its sphere of expertise. The Lands & Natural Resources Section also authors Attorney General opinions on topics including lands, natural resources, cemeteries, coroners, and water bottoms. The agencies and political subdivisions served by this Section include several state departments, such as the Division of Administration, the State Mineral & Energy Board, the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Agency, the Department of Natural Resources, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the Board of Trustees for state Colleges and Universities, the Louisiana Military Department, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, the Department of Health, the Louisiana Cemetery Board, the Louisiana Division of Archaeology, as well as numerous school boards, police juries, all state universities, assessors, district attorneys, and levee boards. In addition to its legal representation, the section's personnel serve as members of the Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council, the Statewide Cemetery Response Task Force, and the Slavery Ancestral Burial Grounds Preservation Commission.

- The Public Finance and Contracts Section provides competent and professional representation to statewide elected officials such as the Treasurer, as well as other state boards and commissions, including the State Bond Commission, the Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation, the Architects Selection Board, the Engineers Selection Board, the Office of State Procurement, and the Office Facilities Corporation. This section has the responsibility for the preparation or review of all legal documents required for issuance of state general obligation bonds and state revenue anticipation notes. This section reviews revenue bond issues of the state including issues of the Transportation Trust Fund and the Office Facilities Corporation. This section provides counsel to the State Bond Commission which entails reviewing all items brought before the Bond Commission and responding to questions and concerns of the members and staff on all areas of finance law. This section initiates legal proceedings necessary for appointment of a fiscal administrator for political subdivisions. This section provides an attorney general representative to the procurement support team. This section reviews and approves hospital acquisitions. Opinions rendered by this Section center around areas of taxation, violations of La Const. art. VII, §14, public finance, public bid law, and contracts.
- The Environmental Section assists the Attorney General in the discharge of his duties under the Environmental Quality Act and in connection with the constitutional responsibility and power of the Attorney General as chief legal officer of the state to institute, prosecute, or intervene in any civil action in order to assert or protect a state natural resource interest. The Environmental Section represents the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, State Land Office, Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, the Office of Public Works, the Department of Agriculture, the Capital Area Groundwater Conservation District, the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board, Louisiana State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors, and other interested state agencies or subdivisions. Representation not only includes litigation counsel, but also includes general counsel, regulatory counsel (i.e. drafting and promulgating regulations), and service as hearing officer for professional regulatory boards. The Environmental Section includes members of the Public Access Task Force and the Surface Water Sales Study Group. Staff personnel also assist the Solicitor General in preparing comments to draft federal rules and regulations and defend the interests of the State and its residents relating to federal overreach in the environmental or natural resources realm.

Examples include comments or letters relating to the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Endangered Species Act, and fisheries management. This Environmental Section prepares opinions, analyzes legislation, and advises officials and employees of the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, the Office of Public Works, the Department of Agriculture, the United States Corps of Engineers and other interested federal and state agencies or subdivisions. The section plays an important role in the administration of the Red River Compact and Sabine River Compact and protection of the State's water by providing legal counsel to the State's delegates. The Environmental Section attends hearings throughout the state and visit problem sites and meet with representatives of both government and industry to seek resolution of environmental problems. Staff personnel also respond to inquiries and complaints from city-state coastal zone regulations in connection with offshore leasing by the U.S. Department of the Interior, and numerous administrative enforcement actions involving hundreds of thousands of dollars of assessed penalties against environmental violators in Louisiana.

- Consumer Protection Section attorneys, investigators, program specialists, and other staff engage in extensive outreach activities that educate consumers and businesses. The Section has engaged in a series of presentations and outreach events that provide practical, proactive, and tangible information geared towards consumer protection, including fraud prevention. This prevention information covers a diverse range of topics including identity theft, sweepstakes fraud, ending opioid abuse, elderly fraud, landlord and tenant, automobile, contractor fraud, charitable giving, financial fraud, and general consumer and business issues under the Louisiana Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law (LUTPA). In an effort to achieve its strategic goal, the Consumer Protection Section uses its outreach programs to reach various consumers, businesses, seniors, minority communities, students, homeowners, renters, military service members and veterans. This Section is also charged with the duty of enforcing the antitrust and related laws relative to the regulation of trade and commerce, including but not limited to, the protection of the welfare of small business interests and the interests of any persons injured by antitrust violations and conspiracies in restraint of trade and other patterns of organized business extortion and theft.
- Equal Opportunity Section is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Louisiana Equal Housing Opportunity Act. This section is active in the investigation, conciliation, and judicial enforcement of fair housing claims. Staff personnel cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of statutes prohibiting discrimination in public accommodations based on an individual's race, color, national origin, religion, sex, handicap or familial status. The section also provides information to Louisiana citizens on their rights regarding the rent/purchase of dwellings under the Louisiana Equal Housing Opportunity Act and the federal Fair Housing Act.
- The Securities and Insurance Section direct involvement and knowledge of insurance liquidations in Louisiana. This Section performs legal work, supervises contract counsel, and works with the Department of Insurance, the Louisiana Receivership Office, and the courts. Staff personnel conduct research in insolvency cases and maintain a proactive position in the area of insurance liquidation. This Section reviews legal bills of contract attorneys, incorporates terms of engagements and development with contract attorneys and the Department of Insurance case management plans for liquidations. The Section relies totally upon self generated revenues for its operation.
- The Community Education Assistance Section through empowerment, community awareness, and education develops and supports collaborative initiatives that respond to the needs of citizens. Various programs include youth education and violence prevention in the areas of school violence, teen dating violence, gang abatement, internet safety, and underage drinking. In addition to youth initiatives, the Section houses the state's only state-wide domestic violence in the workplace technical assistance and training program which works with employers in Louisiana and nationwide to develop policies and other appropriate responses supportive to the special needs of battered working women.

- Tobacco Section enforces the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) by investigating and litigating violations; performs site and event checks for violations; educates public officials and the public through presentations on the MSA; and collects penalties from its work.

Program Budget Summary

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Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$5,869,957	\$9,627,365	\$9,627,365	\$11,207,755	\$10,779,497	\$1,152,132
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	1,331,732	2,152,464	2,152,464	2,172,909	2,152,464	0
Fees & Self-generated	5,610,043	11,403,559	11,698,685	11,506,292	11,384,284	(314,401)
Statutory Dedications	6,517,991	10,730,818	11,000,910	11,098,044	10,932,226	(68,684)
Federal Funds	0	627,357	627,357	629,081	627,357	0
Total Means of Finance	19,329,723	34,541,563	35,106,781	36,614,081	35,875,828	769,047
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	12,408,120	13,746,191	13,746,191	15,560,883	15,156,683	1,410,492
Operating Expenses	1,228,745	1,683,331	1,683,331	1,744,353	1,708,331	25,000
Professional Services	4,345,290	12,984,244	13,503,501	13,262,107	12,984,244	(519,257)
Other Charges	1,255,292	5,887,832	5,887,832	5,897,723	5,877,555	(10,277)
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	92,276	239,965	285,926	149,015	149,015	(136,911)
Total Expenditures & Request	19,329,723	34,541,563	35,106,781	36,614,081	35,875,828	769,047
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	80	80	80	82	82	2
Total Authorized Positions	80	80	80	82	82	2
Authorized Other Charges Positions	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- State General Fund (Direct)
- Interagency Transfers derived from:
 - Various state agencies for legal services
 - Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement to provide domestic violence training
- Fees and Self-generated Revenues derived from:
 - Fees charged for the legal services associated with collection of delinquent student loans
 - Fees charged for other legal services to quasi-state agencies
- Statutory Dedications from the following funds:
 - Tobacco Settlement Enforcement Fund created by R.S. 39:98.7(A)
 - Tobacco Control Special Fund created by R.S. 13:5077(H)
 - Department of Justice Legal Support Fund created by R.S. 49:259(A)

- Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund created by R.S. 49:257(G)(2)
- Department of Justice Occupational Licensing Review Program Fund created by R.S. 49:260(F)(1)
- Louisiana Fund created by R.S. 39:98.4(A)
- Federal Funds derived from:
 - The Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Administration and Enforcement of the Louisiana open housing law

Per R.S. 39:36B(8), see table below for a listing of each statutorily dedicated fund.

Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
9,627,365	35,106,781	80	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2024
Statewide Adjustments			
\$0	\$135,985	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(404,200)	\$(404,200)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$0	\$1,350	0	Capitol Police
\$33,608	\$33,608	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$9,904	\$9,904	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees
\$0	\$1,650	0	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$0	\$(239,965)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$(565,218)	0	Non-recurring Carryforwards
\$0	\$(20,168)	0	Office of Technology Services (OTS)
\$346,983	\$346,983	0	Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$(139,441)	\$(139,441)	0	Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$2,788	\$10,446	0	Risk Management
\$1,302,490	\$1,302,490	0	Salary Base Adjustment
\$0	\$(3,555)	0	UPS Fees
1,152,132	469,869	0	Total Statewide
Non-Statewide Adjustments			
\$0	\$299,178	2	Increase in Statutory Dedications out of the Department of Justice Occupational Licensing Review Program Fund for two (2) authorized positions to meet the needs of the Occupational Licensing Review program. The program provides active state supervision for occupational rulemaking and disciplinary actions of occupational licensing boards to ensure boards and board members avoid liability under federal antitrust laws.
0	299,178	2	Total Non-Statewide
10,779,497	35,875,828	82	Total Recommended

Fees & Self-generated

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Fees & Self-generated Revenues	5,610,043	11,403,559	11,698,685	11,506,292	11,384,284	(314,401)



Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Department of Justice Legal Support Fund	4,329,575	7,122,968	7,393,060	7,211,860	7,089,198	(303,862)
Tobacco Control Special Fund	11,185	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	0
Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund	833,759	788,280	788,280	724,309	724,280	(64,000)
Tobacco Settlement Enforcement Fund	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,873	400,000	0
DOJ Occupational Licensing Review Prog Fund	181,293	233,415	233,415	532,956	532,593	299,178
Louisiana Fund	762,179	2,171,155	2,171,155	2,213,046	2,171,155	0

Professional Services

Amount	Description
	Professional Services:
\$7,141,095	Specialized legal and expert witness services, legal files and case management costs, and domestic violence professional training services for law enforcement.
\$1,983,419	Configuration and licensing program to provide an integrated set of Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) compliance and reconciliation capabilities that expand and enhance the existing tobacco stamp
\$9,730	Enforcement of the tobacco master settlement agreement
\$3,850,000	Contract legal services
\$12,984,244	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
	Other Charges:
\$204,760	Expenses associated with the costs of court transcripts, records, depositions, filing fees, witness and other operating costs
\$3,632,777	Consumer Enforcement Fund Expenses
\$15,000	Tobacco Control Special Fund Expenses
\$112,561	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
\$1,000,000	Redistricting litigation related to existing congressional maps
\$4,965,098	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
	Interagency Transfers:
\$3,525	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$1,221	Office of State Procurement (OSP)
\$2,940	Uniform Payroll System (UPS) Fees
\$19,593	Capitol Police Fees
\$315,191	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$77,024	Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees
\$202,507	Office of Technology Services - Communication services
\$290,456	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$912,457	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$5,877,555	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$113,015	Replacement of 20 laptops, and law books / reading materials
\$36,000	Replacement of one (1) automobile
\$149,015	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1412-01 Through the Civil Division, maintain an average of 60-days response time for research and writing opinions.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Average time for attorney to research and write opinions (in days)	18	60	60	60	60

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of opinions requested	143	144	208	183	208
Number of opinions withdrawn	60	60	69	108	90
Number of opinions released	119	110	108	100	72
Number of hours devoted to opinions	7,686	7,438	6,135	5,353	3,366
Average total time from receipt to release of an opinion (in days)	35	41	56	56	50

Objective: 1412-02 Through the Civil Division, retain in-house 98% of the litigation cases received.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Percentage of cases handled in-house	100%	98%	98%	98%	98%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of hours devoted to litigation	12,731	13,886	14,274	15,010	12,171
Number of cases received	357	145	174	260	245
Number of cases contracted to outside firms	6	1	3	4	0



Objective: 1412-03 Through the Civil Division, provide legal services to at least 50 state boards and commissions.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Number of boards and commissions currently represented	110	55	55	55	55
[S] Number of new boards and commissions represented	0	1	1	1	1

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of hours devoted to boards and commissions	9,440	3,496	10,509	5,201	4,086

Objective: 1412-04 Through the Public Finance and Contracts Section of the Civil Division, continue to process contracts within an average of 10 days; resolutions within an average of 6 days; public bond approvals within an average of 6 days; and garnishments within an average of 6 days.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[S] Average processing time for contracts (in days)	9	10	10	10	10
[S] Average processing time for resolutions (in days)	8	6	6	6	6

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of contracts processed	411	356	346	364	269
Number of resolutions processed	310	606	229	182	139

Objective: 1412-05 Through the Tobacco Section, enforce the terms of the Master Settlement Agreement against the Participating Manufacturers by conducting at least 200 inspections of tobacco retail establishments (at least 50 per quarter), notify violators of violations within 15 days, when applicable and re-inspect within 6 months.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Number of random site checks (inspections) conducted at retail tobacco outlets each quarter.	152	50	50	50	50

Objective: 1412-06 Through the Tobacco Section, solicit and/or perform a minimum of 24 statewide presentations to Louisiana citizens in a variety of venues on the dangers of tobacco use and issues related to the Master Settlement Agreement.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[S] Number of tobacco presentations solicited and/or performed during the fiscal year	0	24	24	24	24

Objective: 1412-07 Through the Consumer Protection Section, respond to 100% of verified consumer disputes within 15 days of receipt.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Percentage of verified consumer disputes responded to within 15 days of receipt	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of verified consumer disputes received	3,329	3,938	2,531	2,468	1,819

Objective: 1412-08 Through the Consumer Protection Section, close 85% of verified consumer disputes within 90 days of receipt.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[S] Percentage of complaints that are closed within 90 days of receipt	100%	85%	85%	85%	85%



Objective: 1412-09 Through the Community Education Assistance Section, to provide training on inmate partner violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. In-service response training will be provided to 300 law enforcement officers and 100 personnel (non-DOJ).

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Number of law enforcement officers who receive Department of Justice intimate partner violence, sexual assault and human trafficking in-service training.	277	300	300	300	300
[S] Number of people (non-DOJ) who received the Department of Justice violence, abuse and sexual harassment awareness training	100	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000

Objective: 1412-10 Provide and maintain a strong outreach program by providing public presentations on civil law programs and responding to constituent calls and inquiries.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Total number of presentations made to public and private entities	311	60	60	60	60
[S] Total number of attendees at presentations made to public and private entities	6,177	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
[K] Total number of constituent services tickets	5,939	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
[S] Number of non-duty attorney tickets resolved	5,322	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
[S] Number of duty attorney tickets resolved	735	500	500	500	500
[K] Number of specialized inquiries received from state, local or private entities	1,310	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Total number of constituent tickets resolved	7,256	5,903	7,969	13,812	3,553
Total number of constituent tickets unresolved	200	238	219	440	58

Objective: 1412-11 Review for approval 100% of DEQ penalty settlements strictly in compliance with time limits.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Number of settlements received for review	75	50	50	50	50
[S] Number of settlements approved	75	50	50	50	50
[S] Number of settlements approved within statutory time limits	77	50	50	50	50
[S] Total dollar amount of settlements approved	6,116,445.26	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000



1413-Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud

Program Authorization

Louisiana Constitution Article IV, Section 8; LA R.S. 36:701, LA C.Cr.P. 66; LA R.S. 13:4862, LA C.Cr.P. 734; LA R.S. 13:5036, LA C.Cr.P. 264; LA R.S. 49:251, LA C.Cr.P. 61; 42 CFR 1007.1-1007.21, LA C.Cr.P. 62; LA R.S. 36:702 LA C.Cr.P. 63; LA R.S. 36:703 LA C.Cr.P. 64; LA R.S. 36:706, LA C.Cr.P. 65; LA R.S. 36:704

Program Description

The mission of the Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud Program of the Louisiana Department of Justice safeguards the rights of the citizens of the State of Louisiana by providing prompt, professional, and ethical prosecutions of criminal matters referred to this division. The Criminal Division also investigates violations of criminal laws, maintains governmental integrity, assists and advises local district attorneys in the analysis and prosecution of criminal cases, and protects and serves the public.

The goal of the Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud Program is to provide superior legal and professional services to the State of Louisiana and its citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Criminal Program conducts or assists in criminal prosecutions; acts as advisor for district attorneys, legislature and law enforcement entities; provides legal services in the areas of extradition, appeals and habeas corpus proceedings; defends criminal's post-conviction challenges; defends constitutional challenges; processes expungements; files amicus curiae on behalf of the state of Louisiana on issues of state-wide importance, and prepares attorney general opinions concerning criminal law. In addition the Criminal Program investigates and prosecutes individuals and entities defrauding the Medicaid Program or abusing residents in health care facilities.
- The Louisiana Bureau of Investigation (LBI) is housed within the Criminal Program. This investigatory arm provides for services related to Cyber Crime Unit, Fugitive Apprehension, Special Investigation, Trial assistance. These units are responsible for the investigation of alleged violations of the criminal laws of this state, including investigations of public corruption, computer related crimes, child exploitation, institutional and insurance fraud, intellectual property crimes, and fugitive apprehension. The LBI also provides investigative services to the attorneys in the Criminal Division to include follow-up on cases, locating witnesses, providing security for witnesses, witness management at court proceedings, testifying on behalf of the state, and evidence management. The LBI responds to the numerous requests for investigative assistance from local, state and federal governmental agencies.
- The General Prosecution Section prosecutes violations of all criminal laws of the state by conducting or assisting in criminal prosecutions pursuant to the recusal or request of district attorneys. This section prosecutes cases, including but not limited to, white collar crime, public corruption, narcotics violations, violent crimes, and violations of the state's environmental laws. This section also serves as (1) advisor to the district attorneys, law enforcement, and the legislature, (2) a training agency for law enforcement, and (3) a liaison between all levels of law enforcement within the state.
- The Appeals and Special Services Section provides legal services to the state in the areas of (1) extraditions, (2) federal habeas corpus and post- conviction relief, (3) as amicus curiae in matters pending before the U.S. Supreme Court, (4) constitutional challenges, and (5) Attorney General opinions in matters of criminal law.
- The Insurance Fraud Support Unit fulfills three primary responsibilities: providing legal advice and consultation to the other two task force agencies (the Louisiana State Police and the Louisiana Department of Insurance) in insurance fraud matters; prosecuting individuals charged with insurance fraud; and presenting insurance fraud information and training to the insurance industry, as well as other state and federal agencies.

- The primary objective of the Assistant Attorneys General (in the Criminal Division of the) Louisiana Department of Justice's Insurance Fraud Support Unit is to provide superior legal representation to the Louisiana Department of Insurance and the Louisiana State Police in insurance fraud investigations and prosecutions. Attorneys assigned to the Insurance Fraud Support Unit (in the Criminal Division of the Louisiana Department of Justice) prosecute violations of Louisiana's criminal laws under Titles 14, 22, 23, and 47, by conducting, or assisting in, criminal prosecutions, upon the recusal or request for assistance by local district attorneys, and providing legal support to law enforcement agencies investigating criminal insurance fraud. In Louisiana, the responsibility to investigate and prosecute provider fraud is assigned to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Department of Justice. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, the Medicaid Fraud Tip Hotline, and other sources serve as the initial entry point for Medicaid fraud complaints. The U. S. Department of Health and Human issues regulations requiring the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to review complaints alleging abuse or neglect of Medicaid patients in health care facilities and to investigate those cases which indicate a substantial potential for criminal prosecution. The Medicaid Fraud Control Unit investigates and prosecutes individuals and entities defrauding the Medicaid Program or abusing residents in health care facilities.
- The Sexual Predator Apprehension Team (SPAT) supervises the statewide implementation and enforcement of Louisiana's sex offender and child predator registration and notification laws applicable to over 13,000 registered sex offenders and child predators. SPAT works with federal, state, and local investigative resources, and the public, ensuring that offenders meet their registration requirements, or imposing the criminal consequences for failure to adhere to the statutory mandate. In addition, SPAT is responsible for ensuring substantial compliance with the federal Adam Walsh Act by advising the legislature when changes are proposed to Louisiana's registration and notification laws and reporting any changes to the U.S. Department of Justice. Furthermore, SPAT provides trainings and consultations to law enforcement, prosecutors, and other state and federal agencies related to sex offender and child predator registration and notification requirements. Lastly, SPAT manages all litigation related to the application of sex offender registration and notification laws and calculates official registration end dates for particular offenders who are not required to register for a lifetime. The authorities and duties of SPAT are set forth in LSA –R.S. 15:544(E), 15:544.1, and 15:544.2, and 15:552.
- The Cyber Crime Unit is a specialized unit with attorneys, investigators, and computer forensic experts all trained in the specific field of cyber-crime investigation and prosecution. This specialized unit concentrates on combating crimes involving digital technology. The CCU includes the first state computer forensic center and provides forensic examinations of digital evidence to the LADOJ, as well as other local, state, and federal government agencies. The Section includes the Louisiana Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), that investigates crimes relating to child exploitation and abuse on the Internet. ICAC investigators conduct proactive online undercover operations and investigate child exploitation cases referred to the department from other agencies, as well as the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The CCU Forensic Lab also works cases involving online auction fraud, death investigations, domestic violence, economic fraud including online fraud and counterfeiting, email threats, harassment and stalking, extortion, identity theft, narcotics, prostitution, human trafficking, software piracy, and telecommunications fraud. CCU also provides training to local law enforcement and gives public service presentations in regard to technology based crimes and internet safety throughout the State of Louisiana.
- The Investigations Section is divided into two squads that are responsible for the investigation of alleged violations of the criminal laws of this state, conducting of civil and special investigations including investigations of public corruption, institutional and insurance fraud. The Section also provides investigative services to the attorneys in the Criminal Division to include follow-up on cases, locating witnesses, providing security for witnesses, witness management at court proceedings, testifying on behalf of the state, and evidence management. This Section also responds to the numerous requests for investigative assistance from local, state or federal governmental agencies.



- The Trial Unit provides investigative services to the attorneys in the Criminal Division to include follow-up and support on criminal prosecution cases, locating witnesses, providing security for witnesses, witness management at court proceedings, testifying on behalf of the state, and trial evidence management.
- The Fugitive Apprehension Unit (FAU) is dedicated to assisting local law enforcement agencies in locating and arresting wanted individuals who either cannot be located by the local agency, or where the suspect is believed to be located in a jurisdiction other than where the arrest warrant is issued. The majority of the suspects are aware they are being sought by law enforcement and have taken measures to evade capture. Due to pending caseloads and other considerations, local law enforcement agencies may not have the time or resources available to locate them. Crossing jurisdictional lines can also be problematic for local law enforcement when searching for wanted individuals who reside in, or have fled to, a different city, parish, or state. The FAU has statewide jurisdiction and can dedicate all the time and resources necessary to bring these fugitives to justice. The FAU has also worked successfully with law enforcement in surrounding states in locating and apprehending fugitives from Louisiana.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$8,563,752	\$8,531,107	\$8,788,124	\$10,136,514	\$9,352,918	\$564,794
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	558,157	888,046	888,046	893,061	888,046	0
Fees & Self-generated	3,355,361	4,200,330	4,385,339	4,317,842	4,306,295	(79,044)
Statutory Dedications	218,949	18,224,101	18,224,101	15,342,517	16,670,068	(1,554,033)
Federal Funds	6,345,080	7,807,339	7,948,718	7,978,301	7,950,238	1,520
Total Means of Finance	19,041,298	39,650,923	40,234,328	38,668,235	39,167,565	(1,066,763)
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	14,622,299	18,280,030	18,280,030	20,292,620	19,522,846	1,242,816
Operating Expenses	1,795,231	2,528,639	2,528,639	2,620,251	2,966,139	437,500
Professional Services	316,554	588,042	3,588,042	664,826	588,042	(3,000,000)
Other Charges	1,620,925	17,109,558	14,298,063	14,115,273	15,115,273	817,210
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	686,288	1,144,654	1,539,554	975,265	975,265	(564,289)
Total Expenditures & Request	19,041,298	39,650,923	40,234,328	38,668,235	39,167,565	(1,066,763)
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	152	165	165	168	168	3
Total Authorized Positions	152	165	165	168	168	3
Authorized Other Charges Positions	1	1	1	1	1	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- State General Fund (Direct)
- Interagency Transfers derived from:
 - Various state agencies for investigative and legal services
- Fees and Self-generated Revenues derived from:



- Participation in the U.S. Department of Justice Federal Forfeiture program
- Funds re-classified as Fees and Self-generated Revenues:
 - Sex Offender Registry Technology Dedicated Fund Account created by CCrP Art 895.1(F)(2)
 - Insurance Fraud Investigation Dedicated Fund Account created by R.S. 40:1428(C)
- Statutory Dedications from the following funds:
 - Department of Justice Legal Support Fund created by R.S. 49:259(A)
 - Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund created by R.S. 49:257(G)(2)
 - Criminal Justice and First Responder Fund by R.S. 39:100.251
 - Medical Assistance Programs Fraud Detection Fund by R.S. 46:440.1
- Federal Funds derived from:
 - The Department of Health and Human Services Medicaid Fraud Unit
 - The U.S Department of Justice

Per R.S. 39:36B(8), see table below for a listing of each statutorily dedicated fund.

Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
8,788,124	40,234,328	165	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2024
Statewide Adjustments			
\$0	\$955,720	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(769,774)	\$(769,774)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$48,066	\$48,066	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$5,038	\$5,038	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees
\$(89,474)	\$(1,144,654)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(257,017)	\$(583,405)	0	Non-recurring Carryforwards
\$402,134	\$402,134	0	Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$(167,364)	\$(167,364)	0	Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$5,715	\$5,715	0	Risk Management
\$1,387,470	\$1,387,470	0	Salary Base Adjustment
564,794	138,946	0	Total Statewide
Non-Statewide Adjustments			
\$0	\$1,794,291	3	Increases Statutory Dedications out of the Medical Assistance Programs Fraud Detection Fund and adds three (3) authorized positions to the Louisiana Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (LMFCU), which will allow the LMFCU to further investigate, prosecute and seek civil remedies against individuals and entities that defraud the Medicaid Program.
\$0	\$(3,000,000)	0	Reduces Statutory Dedications out of the Criminal Justice and First Responder Fund for one-time expenses related to the Troop Nola Project. There is \$12 million remaining in the fund for one-time expenses for the Troop Nola Project and the Criminal Division.
0	(1,205,709)	3	Total Non-Statewide
9,352,918	39,167,565	168	Total Recommended



Fees & Self-generated

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Fees & Self-generated Revenues	2,233,429	2,304,070	2,489,079	2,415,990	2,410,035	(79,044)
Insurance Fraud Investigation Dedicated Fund Account	586,635	947,771	947,771	951,223	947,771	0
Sex Offender Registry Technology Dedicated Fund Account	535,298	948,489	948,489	950,629	948,489	0

Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Medical Assistance Programs Fraud Detection Fund	0	0	0	0	1,400,000	1,400,000
Department of Justice Legal Support Fund	118,645	1,585,131	1,585,131	1,581,049	1,573,131	(12,000)
Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund	100,304	1,638,970	1,638,970	1,697,268	1,696,937	57,967
Criminal Justice and First Responder Fund	0	15,000,000	15,000,000	12,064,200	12,000,000	(3,000,000)

Professional Services

Amount	Description
	Professional Services:
\$305,190	Contract legal services including expert witnesses required by the Criminal Law Program to carry out the mission of the department
\$282,852	Maintenance and support of the Offender Watch computer system: Internet accessible offender registration database to house all the data and addresses associated with registered sex offenders
\$588,042	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
	Other Charges:
\$253,243	Medicaid Fraud Control Unit Expenses
\$698,489	Sex Offender Registry Technology Dedicated Fund Account residual monies to be distributed to the sheriff of each parish, based on the population of convicted sex offenders, sexually violent predators, and child predators who are residing in the parish according to the State Sex Offender and Child Predator Registry
\$979,017	Cyber Crimes Unit Expenses
\$12,000,000	Funding for the Troop NOLA Project and for the Criminal Division
\$13,930,749	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

	Interagency Transfers:
\$139,122	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$13,409	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$35,602	Capitol Park Security Fees
\$3,940	Office of State Procurement (OSP) Fees
\$69,267	Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees

Other Charges

Amount	Description
\$453,829	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$469,355	Office of Technology Services - Communication services
\$1,184,524	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$15,115,273	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$829,000	Replacement of 20 automobiles
\$146,265	Replacement of 14 computers, computer accessories, eight (8) radios, eight (8) body armor, ammunition, and law books / reading materials
\$975,265	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1413-01 The Criminal Division will prosecute in-house 95% of cases received through recusal.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[S] Number of cases refused due to conflict	1	1	1	1	1
[K] Percentage of new cases received by recusal that are retained and handled in-house	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of cases opened (defendants)	541	373	445	335	393
Number of cases closed (defendants)	463	396	349	364	362
Number of recusals received	403	274	312	127	185
Number of requests for assistance	89	60	102	74	92
Number of parishes served	48	53	37	61	53

Objective: 1413-02 Through the Insurance Fraud Support Unit of the Criminal Division, provide legal support to law enforcement agencies investigating criminal insurance fraud referrals by responding to requests for legal consultation within two working days and attending 90% of monthly intelligence sharing meetings hosted by the Louisiana State Police Insurance Fraud Unit.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[S] Percentage of requests for legal consultation responded to within 2 working days.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%
[S] Percentage of scheduled intelligence sharing meetings attended by the Department of Justice	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%



General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals	Prior Year Actuals	Prior Year Actuals	Prior Year Actuals	Prior Year Actuals
	FY 2019-2020	FY 2020-2021	FY 2021-2022	FY 2022-2023	FY 2023-2024
Number of requests for legal consultation	524	396	368	359	320
Number of scheduled intelligence sharing meetings.	10	6	5	6	6
Number of scheduled intelligence sharing meetings attended by the Department of Justice.	5	6	4	6	6

Objective: 1413-03 Through the Investigations Section, initiate or assist in 500 investigations.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals	Initially Appropriated	Existing Standard	Continuation Budget	Executive Budget
	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 25-26
[K] Number of new investigations opened	11,106	500	500	500	500
[S] Number of closed investigations per investigator	62	8	8	8	8
[S] Number of open investigations per investigator	72	25	25	25	25

Objective: 1413-04 Through the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, open at least 250 investigations of provider fraud and patient abuse annually.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals	Initially Appropriated	Existing Standard	Continuation Budget	Executive Budget
	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 25-26
[K] Number of investigations opened	314	250	250	250	250

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals	Prior Year Actuals	Prior Year Actuals	Prior Year Actuals	Prior Year Actuals
	FY 2019-2020	FY 2020-2021	FY 2021-2022	FY 2022-2023	FY 2023-2024
Total dollar amount of collections - all sources	17,356,987	20,874,540.89	45,023,708	43,088,633	10,504,942.04
Dollar amount of Civil and Criminal Restitution Ordered.	10,541,450	12,070,640.42	69,036,053	12,983,983	60,577,395.26
Dollar amount of civil monetary penalty collected	8,002,912	4,139,712.82	11,548,688	3,657,882	5,070,145.18
Dollar amount of investigation/prosecution costs collected	153,468	5,862,854.95	46,550	121,201	38,570.12
Dollar amount of restitution collected administratively	\$450	\$300	3,326	39,434	394,539.11
Total judgments obtained during fiscal year - all sources	18,728,907	23,860,733.85	80,593,521	17,172,934	65,793,147.45
Dollar amount of criminal restitution collected	433,133	1,345,632.64	196,322	287,768	45,632.8
Dollar amount of fines ordered	27,910	35,865.5	50,071	42,546	22,154.75
Dollar amount of civil monetary penalty ordered	7,974,243	5,779,905.33	11,437,005	3,822,303	4,810,524.37
Dollar amount of investigation/prosecution costs ordered	185,303	6,431,718.06	64,873	46,092	23,250
Dollar amount of administrative restitution ordered	\$0	\$0	5,520	278,009	359,823.07

Objective: 1413-05 Through the Cyber Crime Unit (CCU), to generate 240 Internet Crimes Against Children cases from proactive online investigations.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Number of Internet Crimes Against Children cases generated from proactive online investigations per fiscal year	3,232	95	95	95	95
[S] Number of cases per 40 hours of proactive online investigation	66.23	10	10	10	10

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Total Cyber Crime Unit (CCU) arrests	20	148	115	118	55
Number of hours spent in proactive online investigation	504	1,976	2,008	1,975	1,952



1414-Risk Litigation

Program Authorization

R.S. 49:191(12) (Act No. 107 of 1999); R.S. 36:701(D); R.S. 36:704(H); R.S. 39:1533(B)

Program Description

The mission of the Risk Litigation Program is to provide legal representation to the State of Louisiana, State agencies, and State employees in all tort claims seeking damages. The Risk Litigation Program defends claims managed by the Office of Risk Management and by any post secondary education institution granted an exemption from the State's risk management program.

The goal of the Risk Litigation Program is to provide superior legal and professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Litigation Division is divided into sections: Executive, Case Administration, Appeals, Civil Rights, General Liability, Medical Malpractice, Road Hazard, Transportation and Workers' Compensation. The Litigation Division is headquartered in Baton Rouge with five regional offices located in Alexandria, Lafayette, Monroe, New Orleans and Shreveport. The Litigation Division is one of the largest defense firms across the state, with a combined full-time staff of 172 employees, consisting of attorneys, paralegals, and support personnel.
- The executive staff ensures that the daily activities, duties, and responsibilities of the Division are accomplished. The staff consists of the director, three deputy directors, an associate deputy director, two administrative assistants, a property and procurement manager, a property and procurement assistant, special litigation counsel, assistant special litigation counsel, an executive management officer, an executive secretary, case administration specialists, and a receptionist.
- The Special Litigation Counsel defends the State's judiciary, the Disciplinary Counsel, and the Judiciary Commission. Special Litigation Counsel also defends cases deemed in need of special handling with other Divisions and contract counsel regarding specialized litigation issues.
- The Case Administration Section is responsible for management of the case intake and case resolution processes, which involves the coverage and risk analysis for the determination of covered claims, claims processing into the electronic case tracking system, management of the database, and tracking the claims throughout the litigation process. The Case Administration Section has two attorneys and five support staff members.
- The Appeals Section was recently created to handle in-house cases during the appeals process. The Appeals Section is staffed by designated employees throughout the Litigation Division housed across the state. The Division benefits from having its own in-house appellate specialists, who are familiar with the regional areas in which they practice.
- The Civil Rights Section defends suits filed in both state and federal court involving the deprivation of a person's civil rights. Such suits include, claims brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983; the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act; the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and parallel state statutes. The Civil Rights Section also provides legal representation to State agencies, its officials, and employees in civil rights actions brought pursuant to the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act.
- The General Liability Section defends all tort suits arising from incidents that do not come under the purview of any other section. The types of claims include injuries occurring on the premises of a State agency, including slip-and-fall incidents, broken chairs, and other defective items; lawsuits involving failure to train, supervise, or protect students, foster students, or children placed in state custody; general maritime claims; asbestos claims; defamation claims; and abuse and neglect claims.

- The Medical Malpractice Section defends the State, state agencies, and state health care providers against claims of medical malpractice in both the medical review panel process and in subsequent lawsuits filed in state court. The attorneys in the Medical Malpractice section also defend, the interests of state health care providers in depositions, hearings, and trials where these healthcare providers have been subpoenaed as witnesses.
- The Road Hazard Section defends the Department of Transportation and Development against claims where a condition of the roadway or its maintenance is alleged to have caused or contributed to the accident at issue. All money judgments against DOTD for road hazard claims, whether through trial or an agreement between the parties, must be satisfied by an appropriation from the Louisiana Legislature and approved by the Governor prior to payment.
- The Transportation Section defends the State, State agencies, and State employees in lawsuits involving automobile accidents and other automobile-related actions that occurred while the State employee was engaged in on-the-job activities, including accidents involving inmate transport.
- The Workers' Compensation Section defends the State and all of its agencies in workers' compensation proceedings, where a dispute arises concerning benefits payable under the Workers' Compensation Act. The Workers' Compensation Section also files suit to recover funds from third parties that the State paid to either injured State employees or to state agencies. The Workers' Compensation Section also represents the State in seeking reimbursement of workers' compensation benefits paid by ORM from the Second Injury Fund by appealing decisions of the Second Injury Board wherein ORM's claim for reimbursement from the Board is denied.
- The Alexandria Regional Office serves the following parishes across north and central Louisiana - Allen, Avoyelles, Beauregard, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Natchitoches, Rapides, and Vernon. The Alexandria Office also defends state court suits filed in Sabine Parish, federal suits filed in Winn Parish, and workers' compensation claims filed in District 2.
- The Lafayette Regional Office serves the following parishes in south and southwest Louisiana - Acadia, Calcasieu, Cameron, Evangeline, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary, and Vermilion. The Lafayette Office also defends workers' compensation claims filed in Districts 3 and 4.
- The Monroe Regional Office serves the following parishes in northeast Louisiana - Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Union, Tensas, and West Carroll. The Monroe Office also defends workers' compensation claims filed in District 1E.
- The New Orleans Regional Office serves the following parishes in southeast Louisiana - Jefferson, Lafourche, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. John the Baptist, St. Charles, St. Tammany, Terrebonne, and Washington. The New Orleans Office also defends federal suits filed in Tangipahoa Parish, as well as workers' compensation claims filed in Districts 7, 8, and 9.
- The Shreveport Regional Office serves the following parishes in northwest and north-central Louisiana - Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, De Soto, Jackson, Red River, Webster, and Winn. The Shreveport Office also defends state suits filed in Winn Parish and federal suits filed in Sabine Parish, as well as workers' compensation claims filed in District 1E.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	19,631,133	21,401,647	21,401,647	23,207,505	22,581,986	1,180,339
Fees & Self-generated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Means of Finance	19,631,133	21,401,647	21,401,647	23,207,505	22,581,986	1,180,339
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	16,997,466	18,808,691	18,808,691	20,620,724	20,021,491	1,212,800
Operating Expenses	1,140,630	1,115,838	1,205,838	1,231,643	1,205,838	0
Professional Services	51	22,459	22,459	22,940	22,459	0
Other Charges	1,160,978	1,263,684	1,223,684	1,174,698	1,174,698	(48,986)
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	332,007	190,975	140,975	157,500	157,500	16,525
Total Expenditures & Request	19,631,133	21,401,647	21,401,647	23,207,505	22,581,986	1,180,339
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	172	172	172	172	172	0
Total Authorized Positions	172	172	172	172	172	0
Authorized Other Charges Positions	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- Interagency Transfers derived from:
 - Office of Risk Management for investigative and legal services
 - Louisiana State University for investigative and legal services

Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
0	21,401,647	172	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2024

Statewide Adjustments

\$0	\$157,500	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$(599,233)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$0	\$53,953	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$0	\$18,988	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees
\$0	\$(140,975)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$461,493	0	Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$0	\$(66,793)	0	Rent in State-Owned Buildings
\$0	\$(216,523)	0	Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$0	\$17,807	0	Risk Management



Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
\$0	\$1,494,122	0	Salary Base Adjustment
0	1,180,339	0	Total Statewide
0	0	0	Total Non-Statewide
0	22,581,986	172	Total Recommended

Professional Services

Amount	Description
	Professional Services:
\$22,459	Contract legal services to carry out the mission of the department, including expert witnesses required by the Risk Litigation Program
\$22,459	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
	Other Charges:
\$72,282	Expenditures for costs of court transcripts, records, filing fees, and witness costs
\$72,282	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
	Interagency Transfers:
\$605,027	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$249,143	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$43,817	Capitol Park Security Fees
\$12,699	Uniform Payroll System (UPS) Fees
\$30,502	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$5,782	Office of State Procurement (OSP) Fees
\$155,446	Office of Technology Services - Communication services
\$1,102,416	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$1,174,698	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
	Acquisitions and Major Repairs:
\$157,500	Replacement of 15 laptops, eight (8) printers, six (6) scanners, other computer accessories, and law books / reading materials
\$157,500	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1414-01 To better utilize the funds available to the Office of Risk Management and exempt institutions for legal expenses by handling in-house at least 85% of new risk litigation cases opened.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[S] Average number of days open for contract attorney cases	1,657.69	1,670	1,670	1,670	1,670
[S] Average number of days open for in-house attorney cases	1,276.95	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
[K] Percentage of new risk litigation cases handled in-house	83.71	85%	85%	85%	85%



1415-Gaming

Program Authorization

La. Constitution, Article IV, Section 8; La. R.S. 36:701(D); La. R.S. 36:704(H); La. R.S. 27:1 et seq. (Louisiana Gaming Control Board, successor in authority to the Louisiana Economic Development and Gaming Corporation, Riverboat Gaming Commission, and the Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Division and Video Gaming Division of the Louisiana State Police); La. R.S. 27:351 et seq. (Louisiana Pari-Mutuel Live Racing Facility Economic Re-Development and Gaming Control Act); La. R.S. 4:141 et seq. (Louisiana State Racing Commission); La. R.S. 4:701 (Charitable Gaming); La. R.S. 47:9001 et seq. (The Louisiana Lottery Corporation)

Program Description

The mission of the Gaming Program is to create a regulatory atmosphere for licensed gaming which instills public confidence and trust that gaming activities are conducted honestly and are free from criminal and corruptive elements; to insure the integrity of individual gaming entities by the regulation of persons, practices, associations and activities within the gaming industry; and to anticipate and support necessary corrective rulemaking and legislation.

The goal of the Gaming Program is to provide superior legal and professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Gaming Division provides legal representation, advice, and counsel to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board in areas of land-based casino, riverboat, video draw poker gaming, fantasy sports contests, slot machine gaming at racetracks, and gaming on Indian lands. The Gaming Division represents the Board in judicial appeals of administrative actions and defends the Board in all civil litigation relating to gaming. The Gaming Division negotiates on behalf of, represents, and provides counsel to the Board regarding the Casino Operating Contract and matters of exclusivity relating to the land-based casino, as well as handles all rulemaking.
- The Gaming Division provides legal advice and counsel to the Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division in all areas of gaming regulation, including licensing, enforcement, and rulemaking. The Gaming Division provides legal representation to the Gaming Enforcement Division in all gaming matters before the Administrative Hearing Office, as well as all appeals to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, Nineteenth Judicial District Court, First Circuit Court of Appeals, and Louisiana Supreme Court. The Gaming Division provides legal advice and counsel to the Louisiana Lottery Corporation on gaming matters, including, without limitation, Lottery Corporation contracts with vendors and lessors, Requests for Proposals, and invoices. The Gaming Division provides legal representation to the Lottery in administrative proceedings and vendor bankruptcy proceedings, and litigates suits filed against the Lottery Corporation.
- The Gaming Division provides legal advice and representation to the Louisiana Department of Revenue, Office of Charitable Gaming in all areas of charitable gaming regulation, including licensing, enforcement, and rulemaking, as well as litigating administrative actions, including denials of applications, suspensions, revocations, and civil penalties. The Gaming Division assists in the review of files and applications, represents the Office of Charitable Gaming in judicial appeals of administrative actions, and defends the Office of Charitable Gaming in other civil litigation related to gaming.
- The Gaming Division provides legal representation to the Louisiana State Police, Indian Gaming Unit in regard to the denial, suspension, and revocation of state certifications to work for or do business with Indian casinos. The Gaming Division advises the Governor's Office on matters of Indian gaming and Indian law, as well as assists with drafting the compacts that control Indian gaming in Louisiana. The Gaming Division also serves as a resource for members of the legislature, local officials, and governmental agencies regarding matters of Indian gaming, the compacts, and general Indian law.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	360,300	366,748	366,748	368,582	366,748	0
Fees & Self-generated	88,875	115,727	115,727	115,727	115,727	0
Statutory Dedications	6,466,938	7,341,362	7,341,362	6,321,747	6,204,929	(1,136,433)
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Means of Finance	6,916,113	7,823,837	7,823,837	6,806,056	6,687,404	(1,136,433)
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	6,078,345	6,892,544	6,892,544	5,857,321	5,748,504	(1,144,040)
Operating Expenses	357,493	333,642	333,642	340,781	333,642	0
Professional Services	39,373	202,000	126,000	128,696	126,000	0
Other Charges	424,626	361,375	437,375	444,164	444,164	6,789
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	16,276	34,276	34,276	35,094	35,094	818
Total Expenditures & Request	6,916,113	7,823,837	7,823,837	6,806,056	6,687,404	(1,136,433)
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	54	54	54	54	54	0
Total Authorized Positions	54	54	54	54	54	0
Authorized Other Charges Positions	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- Interagency Transfers derived from:
 - Various state agencies for investigative and legal services pertaining to the gaming industry
- Fees and Self-generated Revenues derived from:
 - Legal services fees charged to the Louisiana Lottery Corporation
- Statutory Dedications from the following funds:
 - Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund created by R.S. 27:92(B)(2)(c)
 - Pari-Mutuel Live Racing Facility Gaming Control Fund created by R.S. 27:392(B)(2)(a)
 - Video Draw Poker Device Fund created by R.S. 27:437(B)(1)(c)
 - Sports Wagering Enforcement Fund created by R.S. 27:626(A)

Per R.S. 39:36B(8), see table below for a listing of each statutorily dedicated fund.



Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
0	7,823,837	54	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2024
Statewide Adjustments			
\$0	\$35,094	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$(108,817)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$0	\$14,812	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$0	\$8,872	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees
\$0	\$(34,276)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$(397,832)	0	Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$0	\$(52,488)	0	Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$0	\$6,789	0	Risk Management
\$0	\$(608,587)	0	Salary Base Adjustment
0	(1,136,433)	0	Total Statewide
0	0	0	Total Non-Statewide
0	6,687,404	54	Total Recommended

Fees & Self-generated

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Fees & Self-generated Revenues	88,875	115,727	115,727	115,727	115,727	0

Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Enacted FY2024-2025	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/24	Continuation FY 2025-2026	Recommended FY 2025-2026	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Video Draw Poker Device Fund	3,716,179	3,987,431	3,987,431	3,520,245	3,469,162	(518,269)
Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund	2,088,715	2,200,152	2,200,152	1,963,360	1,932,743	(267,409)
Pari-mutuel Live Racing Facility Gaming Control Fund	532,694	823,806	823,806	663,036	644,658	(179,148)
Sports Wagering Enforcement Fund	129,350	329,973	329,973	175,106	158,366	(171,607)

Professional Services

Amount	Description
Professional Services:	
\$126,000	Contract legal services, including expert witnesses required by the Gaming Program to carry out the mission of the department
\$126,000	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
Other Charges:	
\$19,000	Expenditures for cost such as court transcripts, records, filing fees, witness and other operating costs
\$19,000	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Interagency Transfers:
 \$37,188 Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees



Other Charges

Amount	Description
\$3,521	Capitol Police Fees
\$4,949	Office of State Procurement (OSP) Fees
\$59,806	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$230,234	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$89,466	Office of Technology Services - Communication services
\$425,164	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$444,164	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$35,094	Replacement of seven (7) computers, computer accessories, office furniture, law books / reading materials and security equipment
\$35,094	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1415-01 Through the Gaming Program, forward 95% of Video Gaming and Casino Gaming approval files to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board within 20 business days of assignment.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[S] Average number of business days from assignment of video gaming approval files until forwarded to LGCB	7	20	20	20	20
[S] Percent of video gaming approval files processed within 20 business days of assignment.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%
[S] Average number of business days from assignment of casino gaming approval files until forwarded to LGCB.	1	20	20	20	20
[S] Percent of casino gaming approval files processed within 20 business days of assignment.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of Video Gaming approval files processed by Licensing and Compliance	1	78	54	47	43
Number of Casino Gaming approval files processed by Licensing and Compliance	239	160	172	345	325



Objective: 1415-02 Through the License and Compliance Section, forward 95% of video gaming administrative action and denial files to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board within 60 business days of assignment.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[K] Percent of video gaming administrative action or denial files processed within 60 days of assignment.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%
[S] Average number of business days from assignment of video gaming administrative action and denial files until forwarded to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board	17	60	60	60	60

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of complex video gaming administrative action and denial files processed in more than 60 business days of assignment.	0	0	0	0	0
Number of video gaming administrative action and denial files processed by Licensing and Compliance within 60 days of assignment	60	22	55	54	5
Number of video gaming administrative action and denial files processed by Licensing and Compliance.	60	22	55	54	50

Objective: 1415-03 Through the License and Compliance Section, forward 95% of casino gaming administrative action and denial files to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board within 30 business days of assignment.

Children's Budget Link N/A

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link N/A

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) N/A

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 23-24	Initially Appropriated FY 24-25	Existing Standard FY 24-25	Continuation Budget FY 25-26	Executive Budget FY 25-26
[S] Average number of business days from assignment of casino gaming administrative action and denial files until forwarded to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board.	9	30	30	30	30
[K] Percent of casino gaming administrative action or denial files processed within 30 business days of assignment.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2019-2020	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024
Number of casino gaming administrative action or denial files processed by Licensing and Compliance within 30 business days of assignment	81	55	35	62	102
Number of complex casino gaming administrative action and denial files processed in more than 60 business days of assignment	81	55	35	62	102

