

AERONAUTICS DEPARTMENT (402) - 2009-11 BIENNIUM

I. AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Aeronautics Department was created by Act 457 of 1941. The Department formulates and adopts safety regulations and flight rules governing air traffic in the State. It also inspects and licenses airports and provides grants to assist with upgrading of airport facilities and maintenance of safety devices.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total budget of the 2009-11 biennium is \$27,537,220 the first year and \$27,548,649 the second year. Of the total appropriation amount, \$12 million each year is a federal appropriation for grants to cities and counties.

FUNDING SOURCES

The Department operation's appropriation is funded through special revenues from a tax on aviation fuels and aviation related products sold in the state. The Department also receives federal funds.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

- The **Operations** appropriation, funded by Special Revenues, provides a total appropriation of \$15,537,220 the first year and \$15,548,649 the second year with change levels of:
 1. Operating Expenses increased by \$30,000 the first year and \$40,000 the second year for printing, rent, fuel, safety equipment, and equipment maintenance.
 2. Professional Fees increased by \$500 the first year and \$1,500 the second year for the Certified Flight Instructor Course.
 3. Capital Outlay increased by \$6,500 the first year only for the replacement of office equipment and furnishings.
 4. Grants & Aid increased by \$6,500,000 each year for disbursement of airport aid grants in order to match federal airport aid funds from the Federal Aviation Administration.
- The **Federal Grants** appropriation, funded by Federal Funds, provides a Base Level appropriation of \$12,000,000 each fiscal year with no change levels.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total Positions for FY 2009-11: 4
Total Budgeted Positions for FY 2009: 4
Increase/(Decrease): (0)

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

NONE