

**DHHS DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND (765) - 2007-09 BIENNIUM
BUDGET INFORMATION ACCORDING TO ACT 1225 of 2007**

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Division of Services for the Blind was established to provide services to blind and severely visually impaired persons through a network of counselors and private service providers throughout the State. The Division is regulated by a seven member Board. Board members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

The Division is functionally organized into three major sections: Support Services, Client Field Services, and Business and Technology Services.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total budget of the 2007-09 Biennium is \$6,541,629 for FY2008 and \$6,633,683 for FY2009.

FUNDING SOURCES

The Division's budget is federally funded (70%) with the remaining portion of the budget funded with General Revenues.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

- The Operations appropriation, funded by General and Federal Revenues, provides for:
 1. Capital Outlay increased by \$25,000 each fiscal year in appropriation only.
 2. Purchase of Services increased by \$220,750 in FY08 and \$251,500 in FY09 in appropriation each fiscal year.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total positions for FY 2007-09: 69

Total budgeted positions for FY 2007: 69

Increase/(Decrease): 0

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

NONE.