STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS (0232) 2009-11 BIENNIUM

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES Mission

The State Board of Election Commissioners goal is to improve the orderly conduct of elections in the State through assistance, education, and monitoring by disributing funds for political party primaries, statewide special and nonpartisan judicial general elections, developing resources to assist and educate candidates and election officials, and monitoring compliance with election laws.

Total Biennial Budget

The total budget for the 2009-2011 biennium is \$3.8 million each Year.

Funding Source

The Board's budget is funded with general revenues and the Nonpartisan Judicial General Elections appropriation is funded with filing fees for nonpartisan judicial offices.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

The State Operations Appropriation for the Board is funded with general revenues from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund, and is for \$583,419 year one and \$594,071 year two which is \$83,653 and \$84,436 above base level for one additional position.

The Nonpartisan Judicial General Elections Appropriation is for \$800,000 each year.

The Election Expenses Appropriation is for \$2.5 million each year.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total positions for FY 2009-11 Biennium: Total positions for FY 2007-09 Biennium: (+1)Attorney Specialist

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

Use of Election Expenses Appropriation. Provides that the appropriation for Election Expenses shall be used to cover the expenses of the State Board and the county election commissions to conduct presidential preferential primary elections, preferential primary elections, general primary elections, special primary elections, and statewide special elections.

Carry Forward-Election Expenses. Provides a carry forward provision whereby, the unexpended balances of the Election Expense appropriation may be carried forward.

Transfer of Funds. If Board is required to pay expenses for statewide special election, upon approval of CFO, the amount shall be transferred from Budget Stabilization Trust Fund.