

OIL AND GAS COMMISSION (0440)

FISCAL YEAR 2019

As Enacted by Act 57 of 2018

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The purpose and mission of the Oil & Gas Commission is to serve the public regarding oil and gas matters, to protect the rights and interests of mineral owners and to regulate oil, gas, and brine production industries to ensure compliance with state and federal laws regarding the protection of the environment and waters of the State. The Commission regulates activities required to produce and allocate oil and gas reserves, including distribution of royalties, assessment of taxes, seismic operations, and data compilation and monitors underground disposal of waste fluids generated by producers.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

The total appropriation for FY2019 is \$7,834,396 for FY2019.

FUNDING SOURCE

The Commission is funded by Special Revenues from assessments on oil and gas, permit and application fees, and brine taxes.

II) CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

No change level requests

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2019: 44

Total positions FY2018: 44

Increase/(Decrease): 0

Extra Help Positions FY2019: 10 (Total FY2018 Authorized Extra Help: 10)

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

Fund Transfer. The Oil and Gas Commission, after receiving review from the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee, may request the Chief Fiscal Officer to transfer up to \$2,000,000 per year on his or her books and the books of the State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State from the Oil and Gas Commission Fund to the Abandoned and Orphaned Well Plugging Fund.