



Issue Brief: Board of Pardons and Parole

SUMMARY

The Board of Pardons and Parole is the release authority for inmates in the State of Utah. The Board reviews an inmate's performance after the inmate is incarcerated and determines when and under what conditions the inmate may be released after serving the minimum sentence required by law. In addition, the Board reviews violations of release conditions to decide whether an inmate should be sent back to prison.

The Board is a separate and independent organization from the Department of Corrections and the Courts. It has full parole, pardon, and commutation authority over all offenders in the jurisdictional custody of the Utah Department of Corrections. The Board makes decisions regarding the release of offenders from prison, sets conditions of parole supervision, orders restitution, and may remit fines subject to statutory guidelines.

Board hearings are held at Board offices, correctional facilities, and jail throughout the state.

Major Funding Reductions FY 2010

In the 2009 General Session, the Legislature passed H.B. 3 which impacts the budget of the Board of Pardons and Parole. The ongoing funding reductions are:

Internship	\$	9,500
Pilot Drug Board Elimination/FTE funding change	\$	77,400
Total	\$	86,900

Board of Pardons and Parole						
	FY 2008	FY 2009		FY 2009		FY 2010*
Sources of Finance	Actual	Appropriated	Changes	Revised	Changes	Base Budget
General Fund	3,489,100	3,783,400	(86,900)	3,696,500	0	3,696,500
General Fund, One-time	(4,500)	(50,500)	17,400	(33,100)	33,100	0
Dedicated Credits Revenue	1,300	2,200	0	2,200	0	2,200
GFR - Tobacco Settlement	77,400	77,400	0	77,400	0	77,400
Beginning Nonlapsing	60,600	151,700	0	151,700	(151,700)	0
Closing Nonlapsing	(151,700)	(101,700)	101,700	0	0	0
Total	\$3,472,200	\$3,862,500	\$32,200	\$3,894,700	(\$118,600)	\$3,776,100
Programs						
Board Of Pardons and Parole	3,472,200	3,862,500	32,200	3,894,700	(118,600)	3,776,100
Total	\$3,472,200	\$3,862,500	\$32,200	\$3,894,700	(\$118,600)	\$3,776,100
Categories of Expenditure						
Personal Services	2,767,600	3,213,600	(86,100)	3,127,500	(17,400)	3,110,100
In-State Travel	21,500	20,300	16,700	37,000	(12,000)	25,000
Out of State Travel	3,900	12,000	2,700	14,700	0	14,700
Current Expense	532,500	510,900	63,400	574,300	(41,000)	533,300
DP Current Expense	146,700	96,000	(3,000)	93,000	0	93,000
DP Capital Outlay	0	9,700	32,300	42,000	(42,000)	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	6,200	6,200	(6,200)	0
Total	\$3,472,200	\$3,862,500	\$32,200	\$3,894,700	(\$118,600)	\$3,776,100

*Does not include amounts in excess of subcommittee's state fund allocation that may be recommended by the Fiscal Analyst.