

Compendium of Budget Information for the 2014 General Session

Business, Economic Development, and Labor Appropriations Subcommittee

Agency: Commerce

Line Item: Office of Consumer Services Professional and Technical Services

Function

The Office of Consumer Services hires expert witnesses to perform special studies and appear in rate cases to represent the public consumer utility user perspective. These hearings are cyclical in nature based on requests for increases in rates by Utility Firms. These funds have traditionally been non-lapsing and have been appropriated in a separate line item.

Intent Language

Under Section 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Professional and Technical Services Fund of the Office of Consumer Services in Item 29 of Chapter 10, Laws of Utah 2012, shall not lapse at the close of Fiscal Year 2013.

Funding Detail

Funding for the Office of Consumer Services Professional and Technical Services program comes from the Public Utilities Regulatory Fund.

Sources of Finance	2013 Actual	2014 Approp	2014 Change	2014 Revised	2015 Change	2015 Approp
GFR - Commerce Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GFR - CSA - PURF	\$500,100	\$500,100	\$0	\$500,100	\$0	\$500,100
Transfers	\$0	\$0	\$316,900	\$316,900	(\$316,900)	\$0
Beginning Nonlapsing	\$1,751,300	\$500,100	\$1,446,700	\$1,946,800	(\$1,446,700)	\$500,100
Closing Nonlapsing	(\$1,946,800)	(\$500,100)	\$0	(\$500,100)	\$500,100	\$0
Lapsing Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$304,600	\$500,100	\$1,763,600	\$2,263,700	(\$1,263,500)	\$1,000,200

Programs	2013 Actual	2014 Approp	2014 Change	2014 Revised	2015 Change	2015 Approp
Professional and Technical Services	\$304,600	\$500,100	\$1,763,600	\$2,263,700	(\$1,263,500)	\$1,000,200
Total	\$304,600	\$500,100	\$1,763,600	\$2,263,700	(\$1,263,500)	\$1,000,200

Categories of Expenditure	2013 Actual	2014 Approp	2014 Change	2014 Revised	2015 Change	2015 Approp
In-state Travel	\$300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Out-of-state Travel	\$3,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Current Expense	\$300,500	\$500,100	\$1,763,600	\$2,263,700	(\$1,263,500)	\$1,000,200
Total	\$304,600	\$500,100	\$1,763,600	\$2,263,700	(\$1,263,500)	\$1,000,200

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