

Office of the Attorney General



Department Description

The mission Department of Justice is to protect the people and resources of the State of Louisiana by providing superior legal representation, and interpretation, professional and effective law enforcement, and public education programs.

In order to realize the vision, the Department of Justice strives to serve the state by:

- Providing superior legal and professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.
- Improving the process of recovering monies owed the State of Louisiana and limit the liabilities of the state.
- Developing and supporting programs that ensure a safe environment in Louisiana communities, schools, and workplaces.

Department Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$21,167,524	\$22,904,730	\$23,022,015	\$25,391,580	\$24,058,115	\$1,036,100
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	22,771,466	25,989,244	25,989,244	27,802,668	27,322,733	1,333,489
Fees & Self-generated	10,077,610	15,806,306	17,248,193	15,766,463	13,361,766	(3,886,427)
Statutory Dedications	16,919,647	38,845,700	41,673,468	41,302,256	43,249,887	1,576,419
Federal Funds	7,262,054	9,409,641	9,525,934	9,816,789	9,778,650	252,716
Total Means of Financing	78,198,302	112,955,621	117,458,854	120,079,756	117,771,151	312,297



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Expenditures and Request:						
Office of the Attorney General	78,198,302	112,955,621	117,458,854	120,079,756	117,771,151	312,297
Total Expenditures	78,198,302	112,955,621	117,458,854	120,079,756	117,771,151	312,297
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	534	539	539	539	536	(3)
Total Authorized Positions	534	539	539	539	536	(3)
Authorized Other Charges Positions	1	1	1	1	1	0

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Agency Description

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Agency Budget Summary

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Total Means of Finance	78,198,302	112,955,621	117,458,854	120,079,756	117,771,151	312,297
Expenditures and Request:						
Administrative	7,548,260	8,665,887	8,665,887	8,857,986	8,567,522	(98,365)
Civil Law	18,749,817	35,852,779	37,858,670	37,665,976	36,652,736	(1,205,934)
Criminal Law and Medicaid	25,025,951	39,167,565	41,664,907	41,515,122	41,006,945	(657,962)
Fraud						
Risk Litigation	20,638,528	22,581,986	22,581,986	24,360,465	23,915,475	1,333,489
Gaming	6,235,746	6,687,404	6,687,404	7,680,207	7,628,473	941,069
Total Expenditures	78,198,302	112,955,621	117,458,854	120,079,756	117,771,151	312,297
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	534	539	539	539	536	(3)
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Positions						



1411-Administrative

Program Authorization

La. Constitution, Article IV, Section 8; La. Constitution, Article IV, Section 13; La. R.S. 36:704(b)

Program Description

The mission of the Administrative Program is to provide superior services to the citizens of Louisiana, management support and oversight to the Department of Justice, and support to other governmental entities in the federal, state, and local sectors.

The goals of the Administrative Program are:

- Provide professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.
- Improve the process of recovering monies owed the State of Louisiana and limit the liabilities of the state.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Finance, Accounting, and Budget Section is responsible for receiving and classifying all revenues, processing vendor payments and employee reimbursements, and preparing fiscal reports in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Louisiana Legislature, Division of Administration, and other related state departments. This section is also responsible for maintaining and tracking the department's budget, conceiving methods of accountability for all of the Department of Justice programs. It also develops, maintains, and operates a performance-based management system within the Department of Justice.
- The Contracts, Grants, and Procurement Section is responsible for coordinating all purchases, including the procurement of the cellphones, wireless devices, and data plans for the department. It is also responsible for reviewing and processing professional, consulting, and all other contracts and memorandums of understanding, tracking federal grant awards and related expenditures, and coordinating all purchases and auditing all purchasing card transactions to ensure adherence to all federal and state laws, policies, rules, and regulations.
- The Human Resource Section is responsible for the management of new, existing, and retired employees at the Department of Justice. In order to ensure their core duties are fulfilled, this section's duties include recruitment, selection, and placement of new hires, including their orientation and onboarding, performance based classification and compensation structures, application management, organizational structure management, employee relations, including grievances and discipline, employee recognition and awards, benefits administration, including insurance and retirement, payroll and time administration, and compliance with all federal and state labor laws.
- The Safety, Training, and Workers Compensation Section ensures departmental compliance with all mandatory trainings, such as Defensive Driving, Blood Borne Pathogens, Ethics, Sexual Harassment Prevention, and all other internal policies and procedures. This section also manages the department's participation with the statewide Comprehensive Public Training Program, manages all issues related to on the job injuries and illnesses, reviews all current and new statewide worker's compensation laws to ensure that Office of Risk Management (ORM) safety regulations, trainings, and reporting obligations are performed, and ensures compliance for the annual safety audit. Annual certifications of Department of Justice employees' driving records are conducted to ensure adherence with ORM policies.
- The Property Control, Central Receiving, Fleet Management, and Mail Operation Section is responsible for managing and providing statewide oversight and assistance for Department of Justice's property, processing Risk Management insurance claims, managing a fleet inventory of approximately 140 state vehicles, the related vehicle assignments and maintenance, and any new vehicle purchases and surplus processing, managing a tagged inventory of over \$10 million in property assets located in the Livingston Building in Baton Rouge and in the eight satellite office locations across the state, as well as managing the fuel card program for the department.

The duties of this section includes certifying and maintaining inventory of all movable property purchased by the department, conducting an annual physical inventory and audit at the nine offices located statewide, recording, processing, and approving requests for personal assignment or home storage of state vehicles, daily pool vehicle usage, vehicle maintenance and title, registration, and licenses for the Department of Justice's entire fleet inventory and other tagged equipment. This section ensures all incoming and outgoing mail, commodities, and packages for the entire department are timely and accurately delivered.

- The Governmental Services Section assists local officials and facilitates effective communication between public entities and the Department of Justice, which supports the Administrative Program's strategic goal of providing superior legal and professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities. This section maintains the training portal and content for approximately 850 justices of the peace and constables statewide, providing education and support to those elected officials.
- The Information Technology Section is responsible for coordinating all information technology services for the department. This includes assisting divisions in analyzing their computer equipment and technology needs, designing custom applications, training department employees in the use of hardware and software, responding to requests for computer service through the operation of a Help Desk, providing litigation support, maintaining a wide area network linking all computers in nine buildings statewide, and purchasing and coordinating the installation of all telecommunications equipment.
- The Constituent Services Section serves as the first point of contact for the Department of Justice. This section answers phone calls, voicemails, emails, and mail, directing constituents to the appropriate department or external resource. The Constituent Services representatives track each inquiry using a ticketing system and they generate monthly reports to track the volume of inquiries they receive.
- The Communications Section is the principal liaison between the Office of the Attorney General, the media, and the public. It promotes awareness of the duties and responsibilities associated with the attorney general and the Department of Justice. The section oversees all communications to ensure that information is distributed accurately, quickly, and effectively. The Public Information Office has expanded communications channels by combining traditional outreach methods with new social networking and web-based tools.
- The Outreach Section monitors local and state issues and updates leadership accordingly. Each outreach representative serves as a liaison for the attorney general within their region of responsibility and supports the Department of Justice's community outreach efforts. Outreach representatives disseminate resources and information on a number of consumer topics aimed at educating citizens and small businesses on issues such as elder fraud, home repair scams, landlord and tenant laws, veterans resources, tips for natural disaster victims, internet safety, and tobacco and vaping prevention for students in middle school and high school. The Outreach Section partners with sheriffs, chiefs of police, district attorneys, victim advocates and others to host regional and statewide trainings for law enforcement officers on domestic violence, human trafficking, and sexual assault. Reaching out to Louisiana's youth is a top priority. Outreach representatives give presentations in elementary, middle and high schools about the harmful effects of vaping and tobacco products, as well as educate students on how to "be smart" and stay safe on the internet. In addition to presentations and trainings, Outreach offers information booths at senior expos, community fairs, trade shows, and conferences.
- The Collections Section represents 27 of Louisiana's public colleges, universities, technical and community colleges, the Louisiana Department of Education, the Board of Regents, and the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the collection and litigation of defaulted educational loans/benefits. Over 95,000 educational accounts valued in excess of \$200 million are currently placed for collection. Additionally, this section represents 29 state agencies, including the Louisiana Department of Revenue, in the pursuit of debts owed to the State of Louisiana for various reasons.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$3,654,445	\$2,795,364	\$2,795,364	\$2,599,422	\$2,335,913	\$(459,451)
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-generated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Dedications	3,154,234	5,038,477	5,038,477	5,426,518	5,399,563	361,086
Federal Funds	739,581	832,046	832,046	832,046	832,046	0
Total Means of Finance	7,548,260	8,665,887	8,665,887	8,857,986	8,567,522	(98,365)
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	5,091,845	5,579,375	5,579,375	5,081,330	4,821,036	(758,339)
Operating Expenses	1,002,465	958,534	958,534	1,024,798	998,534	40,000
Professional Services	0	142,534	142,534	146,440	142,534	0
Other Charges	1,173,006	1,751,444	1,751,444	2,050,332	2,050,332	298,888
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	280,944	234,000	234,000	555,086	555,086	321,086
Total Expenditures & Request	7,548,260	8,665,887	8,665,887	8,857,986	8,567,522	(98,365)
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	63	63	63	63	62	(1)
Total Authorized Positions	63	63	63	63	62	(1)
Authorized Other Charges Positions	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- State General Fund (Direct)
- Statutory Dedications from the following funds:
 - Department of Justice Legal Support Fund created by R.S. 49:259(A)
 - Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund created by R.S. 49:257(G)(2)
- Federal Funds derived from:
 - The Department of Health and Human Services Medicaid Fraud Unit

Per R.S. 39:36B(8), see table below for a listing of each statutorily dedicated fund.

Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
2,795,364	8,665,887	63	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2025

Statewide Adjustments

\$0	\$595,086	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(87,565)	\$(87,565)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$23	\$23	0	Capitol Park Security
\$15,069	\$15,069	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$9,487	\$9,487	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees



Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
\$1,132	\$1,132	0	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$6,602	\$6,602	0	Maintenance in State-Owned Buildings
\$0	\$(234,000)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(4,885)	\$(4,885)	0	Office of State Procurement
\$142,788	\$142,788	0	Office of Technology Services (OTS)
\$(172,729)	\$(172,729)	(1)	Personnel Reductions
\$(134,107)	\$(134,107)	0	Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$56,244	\$56,244	0	Rent in State-Owned Buildings
\$(47,128)	\$(47,128)	0	Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$96,742	\$96,742	0	Risk Management
\$(341,366)	\$(341,366)	0	Salary Base Adjustment
\$2,506	\$2,506	0	UPS Fees
(459,451)	(98,365)	(1)	Total Statewide
0	0	0	Total Non-Statewide
2,335,913	8,567,522	62	Total Recommended

Fees & Self-generated

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Fees & Self-generated Revenues	0	0	0	0	0	0

Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Department of Justice Legal Support Fund	771,741	1,409,885	1,409,885	1,452,116	1,429,885	20,000
Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund	2,382,493	3,628,592	3,628,592	3,974,402	3,969,678	341,086

Professional Services

Amount	Description
Professional Services:	
\$142,534	Contract technical assistance and consultation services required by the Administrative Program to carry out the mission of the department.
\$142,534 TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	

Other Charges

Amount	Description
Other Charges:	
\$119,707	Expenses associated with the costs for expert witnesses, contract legal services, court transcripts, records, depositions, and filing fees.
\$119,707 SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES	
Interagency Transfers:	
\$53,234	Capitol Park Security Fees
\$412,598	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$13,058	Uniform Payroll System (UPS) Fees



Other Charges

Amount	Description
\$16,834	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$236,747	Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees
\$108,212	Division of Administration - Messenger service fees, mail services, telephone services, and printing services
\$333,633	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$631,543	Rent in State-owned Buildings - Benson Towers Rent
\$7,439	Office of State Procurement (OSP) Fees
\$117,327	Maintenance in State-owned Buildings
\$1,930,625	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$2,050,332	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$278,050	Replacement of security cameras, conference tables, cubicles, printers, law books, computers, and monitors
\$277,036	Replacement of six (6) vehicles due to general wear and tear
\$555,086	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1411-01 Ensure that 95% of new full-time employees shall attend an administrative orientation within 60 days after hire.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Percent of new full-time employees hired that have attended an orientation training within 60 days of hire	98.5%	95%	95%	95%	95%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of new full-time employees hired	108	128	162	123	134
Number of new full-time employees who have attended an administrative orientation.	106	126	158	122	132

Objective: 1411-02 Collect at least \$5,000,000 in outstanding student loans and \$8,000,000 total collections.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Total collections	24,095,553	5,000,000	5,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000
[S] Amount collected per collector	2,136,131	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000
[K] Total collections from outstanding student loan cases	14,275,018	4,000,000	4,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000



General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals				
	FY 2020-2021	FY 2021-2022	FY 2022-2023	FY 2023-2024	FY 2024-2025
Number of collectors	56	22	19.28	10.86	11.28



1412-Civil Law

Program Authorization

Louisiana Constitution Article IV, Section 8; R.S. 36:702; R.S. 36:704(D); and R.S. 36:704(E)

Program Description

The Civil Law Program has three divisions: Federalism, Civil, and Public Protection. The missions of these programs are as follows:

The mission of the Federalism Division is to defend the State of Louisiana through strategic offensive and defensive litigation. This division represents the state and its executives, officials, and agencies. It also handles both state and federal constitutional challenges and select appeals, primarily at the Louisiana Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, and the Supreme Court of the United States.

The mission of the Civil Law Program is to defend the State of Louisiana by providing competent and superior professional legal services while defending the state's constitution and its duly enacted laws, as well as to provide legal representation, counsel, and assistance to fulfill the needs of the State of Louisiana.

The mission of the Public Protection Division is to defend the State of Louisiana by providing competent and superior professional legal services while defending the state's constitution and its duly enacted laws, as well as to provide legal representation, counsel and assistance to fulfill the needs of the State of Louisiana.

The goal of the Civil Law Program is to provide superior legal and professional services to the State of Louisiana and its citizens. As necessary for the assertion or protection of any right or interest of the state, this division will institute, prosecute, or intervene in any civil action or proceeding.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Federalism Division is responsible for the appellate work of the state relating to federal litigation, multistate actions, amicus briefs, and other complex litigation as determined by the attorney general. The solicitor general is the head of the Federalism Division and directs its operations. This division handles significant federal and state cases at the trial and appellate levels, particularly those cases where the interpretation of a provision of the Louisiana Constitution or statute is at issue, or the conduct of state agencies is challenged.
- The Civil Division defends the constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, provides information and legal services, e.g. opinions, counsel, and representation, in the areas of general civil law, general governmental law, public finance and contract law, education law, environmental law, and land and natural resource law.
- The Education/Interagency Transfer Section represents the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Board of Regents, the Department of Education, and various other public agencies on education related litigation. This section represents public officials in various litigation involving education law. The Education Section responds to requests for attorney general opinions from the various state and local education boards on issues related to elementary, secondary and higher education.
- The Interagency Transfer Section includes administration of attorneys in other state departments, including Work Force Commission. The attorneys in this section represent these agencies in a variety of capacities, including confidential assistant, general counsel, litigation defense, and the defense of statutory law alleged to be unconstitutional.
- The Governmental Section defends the State of Louisiana in constitutional challenges to state laws brought in both state and federal courts. This section also defends state agencies and elected officials in injunctive proceedings, declaratory judgment actions, mandamus actions, and petitions for judicial review. This section generally performs legal services for state and local officials in the form of rendering advisory opinions, and/or serving as statutory legal counsel to the state's justices of the peace, constables, parish board of election supervisors,

and registrars of voters. Attorney general opinions rendered by this section cover a broad spectrum of questions from open meetings, public records, dual office holding, elections and general governmental law. This section represents and/or assists a number of state boards and commissions, including but are not limited to the following: Chiropractor Examiners Board, Social Work Board, Psychology Board, Professional Counselor's Board, Private Investigator's Board, Massage Therapy Board, and Auctioneer's Board. This section handles reapportionment and election cases both independently and in conjunction with other state officials. This section also provides legal representation, renders advice, and prepares educational publications and training for the approximately 850 justices of the peace and constables statewide. This section approves forms used by the Department of State.

- The Lands and Natural Resources Section advises and renders legal support to state agencies, levee boards, commissions, and other political subdivisions pertaining to lands, water bottoms, boundaries, accretion and erosion, oil and gas, public rights of use and access, sale and acquisition of lands, expenditure of public funds, and related activities. In addition, this section administers the Department of Justice's responsibilities for disaster response matters related to cemeteries as well as representing the state on matters such as grave desecration and human remains theft. This section represents numerous state agencies on bankruptcy matters related to oil and gas, state lands, and wildlife matters. Large components of the section's litigation are consumed by takings claims against the state arising from public works and coastal protection projects, including levee servitudes, flowage easements, and large-scale constructions. In addition, this section represents the state in numerous licensing proceedings throughout the year to ensure that the cemeteries of this state are being operated pursuant to law. Part of this work also includes the recovery of often hundreds of thousands of dollars a year in cemetery trust fund underpayments or mismanagement that directly benefit consumers. This section defends the title of the state and its political subdivisions to land and water bottoms, and safeguards the interests of the state in lands and mineral transactions involving publicly owned lands and water bottoms. Increasingly, this section has led efforts to recover funds from various entities for the plugging and abandonment of oil and gas wells. The section brings actions against mineral companies that owe the state for royalty underpayments. The Lands and Natural Resources Section defends the constitutionality of statutes within its sphere of expertise. The Lands and Natural Resources Section also authors attorney general opinions on topics including lands, natural resources, cemeteries, coroners, and water bottoms.
- The agencies and political subdivisions served by this section include several state departments, such as the Division of Administration, the State Mineral and Energy Board, the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Agency, the Department of Natural Resources, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the Board of Trustees for state Colleges and Universities, the Louisiana Military Department, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, the Department of Health, the Louisiana Cemetery Board, the Louisiana Division of Archaeology, as well as numerous school boards, police juries, all state universities, assessors, district attorneys, and levee boards. In addition to its legal representation, the section's personnel serve as members of the Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council, the Statewide Cemetery Response Task Force, and the Slavery Ancestral Burial Grounds Preservation Commission.
- The Public Finance and Contracts Section provides competent and professional representation to statewide elected officials such as the treasurer, as well as other state boards and commissions, including the State Bond Commission, the Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation, the Architects Selection Board, the Engineers Selection Board, the Office of State Procurement, and the Office Facilities Corporation. This section has the responsibility for the preparation or review of all legal documents required for issuance of state general obligation bonds and state revenue anticipation notes. This section reviews revenue bond issues of the state including issues of the Transportation Trust Fund and the Office Facilities Corporation. This section provides counsel to the State Bond Commission which entails reviewing all items brought before the Bond Commission and responding to questions and concerns of the members and staff on all areas of finance law. This section initiates legal proceedings necessary for appointment of a fiscal administrator for political subdivisions. This sec-

tion provides an attorney general representative to the procurement support team. This section reviews and approves hospital acquisitions. Opinions rendered by this section center around areas of taxation, violations of Louisiana Constitution, Article VII, §14, public finance, public bid law, and contracts.

- The Environmental Section assists the attorney general in the discharge of his duties under the Environmental Quality Act and in connection with the constitutional responsibility and power of the attorney general as chief legal officer of the state to institute, prosecute, or intervene in any civil action in order to assert or protect a state natural resource interest. The Environmental Section represents the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, State Land Office, Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, the Office of Public Works, the Department of Agriculture, the Capital Area Groundwater Conservation District, the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board, Louisiana State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors, and other interested state agencies or subdivisions. Representation not only includes litigation counsel, but also includes general counsel, regulatory counsel, i.e. drafting and promulgating regulations, and service as hearing officer for professional regulatory boards. Further, this section prepares opinions, analyzes legislation, and advises officials and employees of these same state agencies and other governmental entities. The Environmental Section includes members of the Public Access Task Force and the Surface Water Sales Study Group. Staff personnel also assist the solicitor general in preparing comments to draft federal rules and regulations and defend the interests of the state and its residents relating to federal overreach in the environmental or natural resources realm. Examples include comments or letters relating to the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Endangered Species Act, and fisheries management. This Environmental Section prepares opinions, analyzes legislation, and advises officials and employees of the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, the Office of Public Works, the Department of Agriculture, the United States Corps of Engineers and other interested federal and state agencies or subdivisions. The Environmental Section plays an important role in the administration of the Red River Compact and Sabine River Compact and protection of the state's water by providing legal counsel to the state's delegates. The Environmental Section attends hearings throughout the state and visit problem sites and meet with representatives of both government and industry to seek resolution of environmental problems. Staff personnel also respond to inquiries and complaints from city-state coastal zone regulations in connection with offshore leasing by the U.S. Department of the Interior, and numerous administrative enforcement actions involving hundreds of thousands of dollars of assessed penalties against environmental violators in Louisiana.
- The Public Protection Division, a part of the Civil Program, administers, enforces, and fulfills civil laws for the State of Louisiana in areas including consumer protection, unfair and deceptive trade practices, unfair competition, antitrust, housing discrimination, insurance receivership, occupational licensing, and tobacco; conducts investigations in the interest of the public; brings enforcement actions in the name of the state; regulates and registers certain businesses and charities; provides education and training; conducts outreach; and reviews proposed regulations. The Public Protection Division is currently divided into six sections: Complex Litigation; Consumer Protection; Equal Housing Opportunity; Insurance; Occupational Licensing Review Program; and Tobacco.
- The Complex Litigation Section handles multidistrict, multistate litigation and anti-trust enforcement. These cases are often large cases with multiple states involved as plaintiffs to enforce anti-trust and consumer protection issues. The attorneys in the Complex Litigation Section operate in both Louisiana state courts and federal courts throughout the country. The Complex Litigation Section protects the citizens of the State of Louisiana by investigating potential violations and filing suits, where deemed necessary, by seeking either monetary or injunctive relief via the Louisiana Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law (Louisiana Revised Statute 51:1401, et seq.) and Antitrust Laws (Louisiana Revised Statute 13:5081, et seq.).
- The Consumer Protection Section protects the interests of Louisiana by providing consumer education and resources to the public. The section conducts investigations on behalf of the public and brings civil enforce-

ment actions in the name of the state for violations of unfair or deceptive trade practices and other consumer protection laws. Lawyers from the section participate in investigations with local, state, and federal authorities, including other states' attorneys general in matters involving unfair or deceptive trade practices, data security, and other consumer matters. Through its investigative and enforcement authority, the section obtains injunctive relief, consumer restitution, and other relief in the interest of the public. The Section accepts and processes consumer disputes through written consumer dispute forms and provides a consumer protection hotline to consumers to report consumer issues and obtain assistance. The section provides a voluntary mediation process to complainants and companies to help facilitate open communication between consumers and businesses to obtain resolutions of their disputes. The section promotes consumer education to make consumers aware of their consumer rights and common scams. The section provides information about consumer protection laws through the publishing of pamphlets and brochures on product safety and common scams, consumer alerts, participation in community events, and other communications. In addition, the section regulates and registers certain charities, credit repair services, business opportunity sellers and agents, going out of business sales, promoters of going out of business sales, athlete agents, multi-level marketers, and other entities. The section also administers various statutory notices and other obligations such as Database Security Breach Notices.

- The Equal Housing Opportunity (Fair Housing) Section is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Louisiana Equal Housing Opportunity Act, which prohibits discrimination in the sale and rental of housing based on an individual's race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, national origin, or natural, protective, or cultural hairstyle. As such, the Equal Housing
- Opportunity Section is required to investigate, conciliate, and judicially enforce fair housing complaints. The Equal Housing Opportunity Section also provides fair housing training and conducts outreach in an effort to increase awareness about fair housing laws and the rights and responsibilities of property owners, tenants, property managers, and others under such laws.
- The Insurance Section has direct involvement in and primary knowledge of every insurance liquidation in Louisiana. This section performs legal work, supervises contract counsel, and works with the Department of Insurance. Staff personnel conduct research in insolvency cases and maintain a proactive position in the areas of insurance liquidation. This section reviews legal bills of contract attorneys, incorporates terms of engagements and development with contract attorneys and the Department of Insurance case management plans for each liquidation.
- In the Occupational Licensing Review Program, in order to provide Active State Supervision to provide Louisiana Occupational Regulatory Boards with state action immunity, the Occupational Licensing Review Program (OLRP) provides a substantive review of all proposed regulations and disciplinary actions submitted to the program. Additionally, OLRP reviews final disciplinary actions submitted to the Department of Justice and provides a summary of criminal activity for Louisiana Bureau of Investigation review.
- The Tobacco Settlement Enforcement Unit, i.e. Tobacco Section/Unit, was created in 1999. On November 23, 1998, attorneys general from 46 states signed the historic Master Settlement Agreement (MSA). The attorney general created this section to enforce the terms of the MSA and related Louisiana laws. As a result of joining the MSA, Louisiana receives annual MSA payments from certain tobacco companies. The Tobacco Unit is tasked with handling litigation arising from or relating to the MSA, monitoring compliance with the MSA, monitoring the payment stream from the MSA, and monitoring the statutory compliance of Non-Participating Manufacturers (NPMs)— manufacturers that did not sign the MSA. Field agents routinely travel around the state to inspect tobacco retailers and tobacco sponsored events for violations of the advertising restrictions within the MSA. The Tobacco Unit is also responsible for enforcing various state laws with regard to tobacco manufacturers and wholesalers. All tobacco product manufacturers must annually submit certifications capturing cigarette(s) and roll-your-own tobacco (RYO) brands intended for sale into the state. The Tobacco Unit reviews these certifications and determines whether the brands and/or manufacturers meet certain requirement(s). Only those cigarette/RYO brands listed as approved on the state directory maintained by the Louisiana Department of Justice

may be lawfully sold in the state. The Tobacco Unit may issue unfair trade practice notifications if unapproved cigarette/RYO product is sold in or into Louisiana. The Tobacco Unit is responsible for reviewing monthly reports submitted by Louisiana licensed wholesalers that affix tax stamps to certain products for sale. By utilizing information captured within such reports, the Tobacco Unit tracks the volume of sales as well as the quarterly escrow payments owed by NPMs based on those sales. The Tobacco Unit may institute litigation for non-payment or late payment of escrow obligations by NPMs.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$5,012,555	\$10,756,448	\$10,756,448	\$11,686,979	\$11,045,512	\$289,064
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	1,224,223	2,152,464	2,152,464	2,178,641	2,152,464	0
Fees & Self-generated	6,493,429	11,384,284	12,437,407	11,555,645	11,425,252	(1,012,155)
Statutory Dedications	6,019,609	10,932,226	11,884,994	11,615,147	11,402,151	(482,843)
Federal Funds	0	627,357	627,357	629,564	627,357	0
Total Means of Finance	18,749,817	35,852,779	37,858,670	37,665,976	36,652,736	(1,205,934)
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	12,669,233	15,133,634	15,133,634	16,014,014	15,403,349	269,715
Operating Expenses	1,172,865	1,708,331	1,708,331	1,755,138	1,708,331	0
Professional Services	3,056,717	12,984,244	14,990,135	13,340,012	12,984,244	(2,005,891)
Other Charges	1,703,297	5,877,555	5,877,555	5,970,227	5,970,227	92,672
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	147,705	149,015	149,015	586,585	586,585	437,570
Total Expenditures & Request	18,749,817	35,852,779	37,858,670	37,665,976	36,652,736	(1,205,934)
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	80	82	82	82	80	(2)
Total Authorized Positions	80	82	82	82	80	(2)
Authorized Other Charges Positions	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- State General Fund (Direct)
- Interagency Transfers derived from:
 - Various state agencies for legal services
 - Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement to provide domestic violence training
- Fees and Self-generated Revenues derived from:
 - Fees charged for the legal services associated with collection of delinquent student loans
 - Fees charged for other legal services to quasi-state agencies
- Statutory Dedications from the following funds:
 - Tobacco Settlement Enforcement Fund created by R.S. 39:98.7(A)



- Tobacco Control Special Fund created by R.S 13:5077(H)
- Department of Justice Legal Support Fund created by R.S. 49:259(A)
- Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund created by R.S. 49:257(G)(2)
- Department of Justice Occupational Licensing Review Program Fund created by R.S. 49:260(F)(1)
- Louisiana Fund created by R.S. 39:98.4(A)
- Federal Funds derived from:
 - The Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Administration and Enforcement of the Louisiana open housing law

Per R.S. 39:36B(8), see table below for a listing of each statutorily dedicated fund.

Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Organization	Description
10,756,448	37,858,670	82	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2025
Statewide Adjustments			
\$0	\$586,585	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(281,752)	\$(281,752)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$0	\$5,605	0	Capitol Police
\$48,777	\$48,777	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$17,407	\$17,407	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees
\$0	\$(149,015)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$(2,005,891)	0	Non-recurring Carryforwards
\$(328,913)	\$(328,913)	(2)	Personnel Reductions
\$456,361	\$456,361	0	Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$(141,339)	\$(141,339)	0	Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$19,349	\$87,067	0	Risk Management
\$499,174	\$499,174	0	Salary Base Adjustment
289,064	(1,205,934)	(2)	Total Statewide
0	0	0	Total Non-Statewide
11,045,512	36,652,736	80	Total Recommended

Fees & Self-generated

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Fees & Self-generated Revenues	6,493,429	11,384,284	12,437,407	11,555,645	11,425,252	(1,012,155)

Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Department of Justice Legal Support Fund	3,994,971	7,089,198	8,041,966	7,214,251	7,057,198	(984,768)
Tobacco Control Special Fund	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	0



Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund	853,639	724,280	724,280	1,233,223	1,233,185	508,905
Tobacco Settlement Enforcement Fund	400,000	400,000	400,000	401,118	400,000	0
DOJ Occupational Licensing Review Prog Fund	232,940	532,593	532,593	521,414	520,263	(12,330)
Louisiana Fund	523,060	2,171,155	2,171,155	2,230,141	2,176,505	5,350

Professional Services

Amount	Description
Professional Services:	
\$7,141,095	Specialized legal and expert witness services, legal files and case management costs, and domestic violence professional training services for law enforcement.
\$1,983,419	Configuration and licensing program to provide an integrated set of Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) compliance and reconciliation capabilities that expand and enhance the existing tobacco stamp
\$9,730	Enforcement of the tobacco master settlement agreement
\$3,850,000	Contract legal services
\$12,984,244	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
Other Charges:	
\$204,760	Expenses associated with the costs of court transcripts, records, depositions, filing fees, witness and other operating costs
\$3,632,777	Consumer Enforcement Fund Expenses
\$15,000	Tobacco Control Special Fund Expenses
\$112,561	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
\$1,000,000	Redistricting litigation related to existing congressional maps
\$4,965,098	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
Interagency Transfers:	
\$3,525	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$1,221	Office of State Procurement (OSP) Fees
\$2,940	Uniform Payroll System (UPS) Fees
\$25,198	Capitol Police Fees
\$315,191	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$77,024	Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees
\$208,692	Division of Administration - Messenger service fees, mail services, telephone services, and printing services
\$371,338	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$1,005,129	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$5,970,227	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$586,585	Replacement of docking stations, law books, computers, and monitors
\$586,585	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS



Objective: 1412-01 Through the Civil Division, maintain an average of 60-days response time for research and writing opinions.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Average time for attorney to research and write opinions (in days)	24	60	60	60	60

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of opinions requested	288	416	366	208	241
Number of opinions withdrawn	120	138	216	90	73
Number of opinions released	220	216	200	72	75
Number of hours devoted to opinions	14,876	12,270	10,706	3,366	4,914
Average total time from receipt to release of an opinion (in days)	82	112	112	50	49

Objective: 1412-02 Through the Civil Division, retain in-house 98% of the litigation cases received.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Percentage of cases handled in-house	100%	98%	98%	98%	98%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of hours devoted to litigation	27,772	28,548	30,020	12,171	11,810
Number of cases received	290	348	520	245	644
Number of cases contracted to outside firms	1	6	4	0	0

Objective: 1412-03 Through the Civil Division, provide legal services to at least 50 state boards and commissions.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Number of boards and commissions currently represented	110	55	55	55	55
[S] Number of new boards and commissions represented	0	1	1	1	1



General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of hours devoted to boards and commissions	6,992	21,018	10,402	4,086	3,524

Objective: 1412-04 Through the Public Finance and Contracts Section of the Civil Division, continue to process contracts within an average of 15 days; resolutions within an average of 10 days; public bond approvals within an average of 10 days; and garnishments within an average of 10 days.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[S] Average processing time for contracts (in days)	17	10	10	15	15
[S] Average processing time for resolutions (in days)	11	6	6	10	10

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of contracts processed	712	692	728	269	356
Number of resolutions processed	1,212	458	364	139	162

Objective: 1412-05 Through the Tobacco Section, enforce the terms of the Master Settlement Agreement against the Participating Manufacturers by conducting at least 200 inspections of tobacco retail establishments (at least 50 per quarter), notify violators of violations within 15 days, when applicable and re-inspect within 6 months.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Number of random site checks (inspections) conducted at retail tobacco outlets each quarter.	207	50	50	50	50

Objective: 1412-06 Through the Tobacco Section, solicit and/or perform a minimum of 24 statewide presentations to Louisiana citizens in a variety of venues on the dangers of tobacco use and issues related to the Master Settlement Agreement.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[S] Number of tobacco presentations solicited and/or performed during the fiscal year	75	24	24	24	24



Objective: 1412-07 Through the Consumer Protection Section, respond to 100% of verified consumer disputes within 15 days of receipt.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Percentage of verified consumer disputes responded to within 15 days of receipt	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of verified consumer disputes received	7,876	5,062	4,936	1,819	2,491

Objective: 1412-08 Through the Consumer Protection Section, close 100% of verified consumer disputes within 15 days of receipt.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[S] Percentage of complaints that are closed within 90 days of receipt	95%	85%	85%	85%	85%

Objective: 1412-09 Through the Community Education Assistance Section, to provide training on inmate partner violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. In-service response training will be provided to 300 law enforcement officers and 100 personnel (non-DOJ).

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Number of law enforcement officers who receive Department of Justice intimate partner violence, sexual assault and human trafficking in-service training.	55	300	300	300	300
[S] Number of people (non-DOJ) who received the Department of Justice violence, abuse and sexual harassment awareness training	190	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000



Objective: 1412-10 Provide and maintain a strong outreach program by providing public presentations on civil law programs and responding to constituent calls and inquiries.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Total number of presentations made to public and private entities	302	60	60	60	60
[S] Total number of attendees at presentations made to public and private entities	3,662	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
[K] Total number of constituent services tickets	11,202	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
[S] Number of non-duty attorney tickets resolved	10,515	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
[S] Number of duty attorney tickets resolved	616	500	500	500	500
[K] Number of specialized inquiries received from state, local or private entities	2,042	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Total number of constituent tickets resolved	11,806	15,938	27,624	3,553	8,811
Total number of constituent tickets unresolved	476	438	880	58	93

Objective: 1412-11 Review for approval 100% of DEQ penalty settlements strictly in compliance with time limits.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Number of settlements received for review	96	50	50	50	50
[S] Number of settlements approved	80	50	50	50	50
[S] Number of settlements approved within statutory time limits	78	50	50	50	50
[S] Total dollar amount of settlements approved	2,273,369	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000

1413-Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud

Program Authorization

Louisiana Constitution Article IV, Section 8; LA R.S. 36:701, LA C.Cr.P. 66; LA R.S. 13:4862, LA C.Cr.P. 734; LA R.S. 13:5036, LA C.Cr.P. 264; LA R.S. 49:251, LA C.Cr.P. 61; 42 CFR 1007.1-1007.21, LA C.Cr.P. 62; LA R.S. 36:702 LA C.Cr.P. 63; LA R.S. 36:703 LA C.Cr.P. 64; LA R.S. 36:706, LA C.Cr.P. 65; LA R.S. 36:704

Program Description

The mission of the Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud Program of the Louisiana Department of Justice safeguards the rights of the citizens of the State of Louisiana by providing prompt, professional, and ethical prosecutions of criminal matters referred to this division. The Criminal Division also investigates violations of criminal laws, maintains governmental integrity, assists and advises local district attorneys in the analysis and prosecution of criminal cases, and protects and serves the public.

The goal of the Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud Program is to provide superior legal and professional services to the State of Louisiana and its citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Criminal Program conducts or assists in criminal prosecutions; acts as advisor for district attorneys, legislature and law enforcement entities; provides legal services in the areas of extradition, appeals and habeas corpus proceedings; defends criminal's post-conviction challenges; defends constitutional challenges; processes expungements; files amicus curiae on behalf of the state of Louisiana on issues of state-wide importance, and prepares attorney general opinions concerning criminal law. In addition the Criminal Program investigates and prosecutes individuals and entities defrauding the Medicaid Program or abusing residents in health care facilities.
- The Louisiana Bureau of Investigation (LBI) is housed within the Criminal Program. This investigatory arm provides for services related to Cyber Crime Unit, Fugitive Apprehension, Special Investigation, Trial assistance. These units are responsible for the investigation of alleged violations of the criminal laws of this state, including investigations of public corruption, computer related crimes, child exploitation, institutional and insurance fraud, intellectual property crimes, and fugitive apprehension. The LBI also provides investigative services to the attorneys in the Criminal Division to include follow-up on cases, locating witnesses, providing security for witnesses, witness management at court proceedings, testifying on behalf of the state, and evidence management. The LBI responds to the numerous requests for investigative assistance from local, state and federal governmental agencies.
- The General Prosecution Section prosecutes violations of all criminal laws of the state by conducting or assisting in criminal prosecutions pursuant to the recusal or request of district attorneys. This section prosecutes cases, including but not limited to, white collar crime, public corruption, narcotics violations, violent crimes, and violations of the state's environmental laws. This section also serves as (1) advisor to the district attorneys, law enforcement, and the legislature, (2) a training agency for law enforcement, and (3) a liaison between all levels of law enforcement within the state.
- The Appeals and Special Services Section provides legal services to the state in the areas of (1) extraditions, (2) federal habeas corpus and post- conviction relief, (3) as amicus curiae in matters pending before the U.S. Supreme Court, (4) constitutional challenges, and (5) Attorney General opinions in matters of criminal law.
- The Insurance Fraud Support Unit fulfills three primary responsibilities: providing legal advice and consultation to the other two task force agencies (the Louisiana State Police and the Louisiana Department of Insurance) in insurance fraud matters; prosecuting individuals charged with insurance fraud; and presenting insurance fraud information and training to the insurance industry, as well as other state and federal agencies.

- The primary objective of the Assistant Attorneys General (in the Criminal Division of the) Louisiana Department of Justice's Insurance Fraud Support Unit is to provide superior legal representation to the Louisiana Department of Insurance and the Louisiana State Police in insurance fraud investigations and prosecutions. Attorneys assigned to the Insurance Fraud Support Unit (in the Criminal Division of the Louisiana Department of Justice) prosecute violations of Louisiana's criminal laws under Titles 14, 22, 23, and 47, by conducting, or assisting in, criminal prosecutions, upon the recusal or request for assistance by local district attorneys, and providing legal support to law enforcement agencies investigating criminal insurance fraud. In Louisiana, the responsibility to investigate and prosecute provider fraud is assigned to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Department of Justice. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, the Medicaid Fraud Tip Hotline, and other sources serve as the initial entry point for Medicaid fraud complaints. The U. S. Department of Health and Human issues regulations requiring the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to review complaints alleging abuse or neglect of Medicaid patients in health care facilities and to investigate those cases which indicate a substantial potential for criminal prosecution. The Medicaid Fraud Control Unit investigates and prosecutes individuals and entities defrauding the Medicaid Program or abusing residents in health care facilities.
- The Sexual Predator Apprehension Team (SPAT) supervises the statewide implementation and enforcement of Louisiana's sex offender and child predator registration and notification laws applicable to over 13,000 registered sex offenders and child predators. SPAT works with federal, state, and local investigative resources, and the public, ensuring that offenders meet their registration requirements, or imposing the criminal consequences for failure to adhere to the statutory mandate. In addition, SPAT is responsible for ensuring substantial compliance with the federal Adam Walsh Act by advising the legislature when changes are proposed to Louisiana's registration and notification laws and reporting any changes to the U.S. Department of Justice. Furthermore, SPAT provides trainings and consultations to law enforcement, prosecutors, and other state and federal agencies related to sex offender and child predator registration and notification requirements. Lastly, SPAT manages all litigation related to the application of sex offender registration and notification laws and calculates official registration end dates for particular offenders who are not required to register for a lifetime. The authorities and duties of SPAT are set forth in LSA -R.S. 15:544(E), 15:544.1, and 15:544.2, and 15:552.
- The Cyber Crime Unit is a specialized unit with attorneys, investigators, and computer forensic experts all trained in the specific field of cyber-crime investigation and prosecution. This specialized unit concentrates on combating crimes involving digital technology. The CCU includes the first state computer forensic center and provides forensic examinations of digital evidence to the LADOJ, as well as other local, state, and federal government agencies. The Section includes the Louisiana Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), that investigates crimes relating to child exploitation and abuse on the Internet. ICAC investigators conduct proactive online undercover operations and investigate child exploitation cases referred to the department from other agencies, as well as the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The CCU Forensic Lab also works cases involving online auction fraud, death investigations, domestic violence, economic fraud including online fraud and counterfeiting, email threats, harassment and stalking, extortion, identity theft, narcotics, prostitution, human trafficking, software piracy, and telecommunications fraud. CCU also provides training to local law enforcement and gives public service presentations in regard to technology based crimes and internet safety throughout the State of Louisiana.
- The Investigations Section is divided into two squads that are responsible for the investigation of alleged violations of the criminal laws of this state, conducting of civil and special investigations including investigations of public corruption, institutional and insurance fraud. The Section also provides investigative services to the attorneys in the Criminal Division to include follow-up on cases, locating witnesses, providing security for witnesses, witness management at court proceedings, testifying on behalf of the state, and evidence management. This Section also responds to the numerous requests for investigative assistance from local, state or federal governmental agencies.

- The Trial Unit provides investigative services to the attorneys in the Criminal Division to include follow-up and support on criminal prosecution cases, locating witnesses, providing security for witnesses, witness management at court proceedings, testifying on behalf of the state, and trial evidence management.
- The Fugitive Apprehension Unit (FAU) is dedicated to assisting local law enforcement agencies in locating and arresting wanted individuals who either cannot be located by the local agency, or where the suspect is believed to be located in a jurisdiction other than where the arrest warrant is issued. The majority of the suspects are aware they are being sought by law enforcement and have taken measures to evade capture. Due to pending caseloads and other considerations, local law enforcement agencies may not have the time or resources available to locate them. Crossing jurisdictional lines can also be problematic for local law enforcement when searching for wanted individuals who reside in, or have fled to, a different city, parish, or state. The FAU has statewide jurisdiction and can dedicate all the time and resources necessary to bring these fugitives to justice. The FAU has also worked successfully with law enforcement in surrounding states in locating and apprehending fugitives from Louisiana.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$12,500,524	\$9,352,918	\$9,470,203	\$11,105,179	\$10,676,690	\$1,206,487
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	560,995	888,046	888,046	894,466	888,046	0
Fees & Self-generated	3,495,306	4,306,295	4,695,059	4,095,091	1,820,787	(2,874,272)
Statutory Dedications	1,946,653	16,670,068	18,545,068	17,065,207	19,302,175	757,107
Federal Funds	6,522,473	7,950,238	8,066,531	8,355,179	8,319,247	252,716
Total Means of Finance	25,025,951	39,167,565	41,664,907	41,515,122	41,006,945	(657,962)
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	18,088,083	19,522,846	19,522,846	21,216,232	20,805,440	1,282,594
Operating Expenses	2,640,695	2,966,139	2,966,139	3,186,565	3,108,579	142,440
Professional Services	1,445,009	588,042	2,813,042	604,154	588,042	(2,225,000)
Other Charges	1,950,722	15,115,273	15,115,273	15,077,451	15,074,164	(41,109)
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	901,442	975,265	1,247,607	1,430,720	1,430,720	183,113
Total Expenditures & Request	25,025,951	39,167,565	41,664,907	41,515,122	41,006,945	(657,962)
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	165	168	168	168	168	0
Total Authorized Positions	165	168	168	168	168	0
Authorized Other Charges Positions	1	1	1	1	1	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- State General Fund (Direct)
- Interagency Transfers derived from:
 - Various state agencies for investigative and legal services
- Fees and Self-generated Revenues derived from:



- Participation in the U.S. Department of Justice Federal Forfeiture program
- Funds re-classified as Fees and Self-generated Revenues:
 - Sex Offender Registry Technology Dedicated Fund Account created by CCrP Art 895.1(F)(2)
 - Insurance Fraud Investigation Dedicated Fund Account created by R.S. 40:1428(C)
- Statutory Dedications from the following funds:
 - Department of Justice Legal Support Fund created by R.S. 49:259(A)
 - Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund created by R.S. 49:257(G)(2)
 - Criminal Justice and First Responder Fund by R.S. 39:100.251
 - Medical Assistance Programs Fraud Detection Fund by R.S. 46:440.1
- Federal Funds derived from:
 - The Department of Health and Human Services Medicaid Fraud Unit
 - The U.S Department of Justice

Per R.S. 39:36B(8), see table below for a listing of each statutorily dedicated fund.

Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
9,470,203	41,664,907	168	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2025
Statewide Adjustments			
\$0	\$1,569,873	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(410,792)	\$(410,792)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$73,464	\$73,464	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$4,792	\$4,792	0	Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees
\$0	\$(975,265)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$(117,285)	\$(2,497,342)	0	Non-recurring Carryforwards
\$777,403	\$777,403	0	Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$(208,376)	\$(208,376)	0	Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$41,921	\$41,921	0	Risk Management
\$1,045,360	\$1,045,360	0	Salary Base Adjustment
1,206,487	(578,962)	0	Total Statewide
Non-Statewide Adjustments			
\$0	\$0	0	Increases funds for computers, printers, monitors, and investigation software.
\$0	\$0	0	Means of finance substitution increasing Statutory Dedications out of the Medical Assistance Programs Fraud Detection Fund and decreasing Fees and Self-generated Revenues in accordance with Act 401 of the 2025 Regular Session.
\$0	\$(79,000)	0	Reduces funding in Fees and Self-generated Revenues out of the Sex Offender Registry Technology Dedicated Fund Account based on the most recent Revenue Estimating Conference (REC) forecast.
0	(79,000)	0	Total Non-Statewide
10,676,690	41,006,945	168	Total Recommended

Fees & Self-generated

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Fees & Self-generated Revenues	2,253,145	2,410,035	2,798,799	2,277,070	9,927	(2,788,872)
Insurance Fraud Investigation Dedicated Fund Account	622,951	947,771	947,771	945,792	941,371	(6,400)
Sex Offender Registry Technology Dedicated Fund Account	619,210	948,489	948,489	872,229	869,489	(79,000)

Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Medical Assistance Programs Fraud Detection Fund	0	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,513,460	3,760,990	2,360,990
Department of Justice Legal Support Fund	783,183	1,573,131	1,573,131	1,583,269	1,573,131	0
Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund	0	1,696,937	1,696,937	1,968,478	1,968,054	271,117
Criminal Justice and First Responder Fund	1,163,470	12,000,000	13,875,000	12,000,000	12,000,000	(1,875,000)

Professional Services

Amount	Description
Professional Services:	
\$305,190	Contract legal services including expert witnesses required by the Criminal Law Program to carry out the mission of the department
\$282,852	Maintenance and support of the Offender Watch computer system: Internet accessible offender registration database to house all the data and addresses associated with registered sex offenders
\$588,042	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
Other Charges:	
\$253,243	Medicaid Fraud Control Unit Expenses
\$615,459	Sex Offender Registry Technology Dedicated Fund Account residual monies to be distributed to the sheriff of each parish, based on the population of convicted sex offenders, sexually violent predators, and child predators who are residing in the parish according to the State Sex Offender and Child Predator Registry
\$979,017	Cyber Crimes Unit Expenses
\$12,000,000	Funding for the Troop NOLA Project and for the Criminal Division
\$13,847,719	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
Interagency Transfers:	
\$178,792	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$13,409	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$35,602	Capitol Park Security Fees
\$69,267	Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees
\$453,829	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$475,546	Division of Administration - Messenger service fees, mail services, telephone services, and printing services
\$1,226,445	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$15,074,164	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES



Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$855,000	Replacement of 19 vehicles due to general wear and tear
\$575,720	Replacement of docking stations, law books, computers, software, radios, ammunition, and monitors
\$1,430,720	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1413-01 The Criminal Division will prosecute in-house 95% of cases received through recusal.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[S] Number of cases refused due to conflict	0	1	1	1	1
[K] Percentage of new cases received by recusal that are retained and handled in-house	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of cases opened (defendants)	746	890	670	393	930
Number of cases closed (defendants)	792	698	728	362	415
Number of recusals received	548	624	254	185	730
Number of requests for assistance	120	204	148	92	77
Number of parishes served	106	74	122	53	53

Objective: 1413-02 Through the Insurance Fraud Support Unit of the Criminal Division, provide legal support to law enforcement agencies investigating criminal insurance fraud referrals by responding to requests for legal consultation within two working days and attending 90% of monthly intelligence sharing meetings hosted by the Louisiana State Police Insurance Fraud Unit.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[S] Percentage of requests for legal consultation responded to within 2 working days.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%
[S] Percentage of scheduled intelligence sharing meetings attended by the Department of Justice	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%



General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of requests for legal consultation	792	736	718	320	398
Number of scheduled intelligence sharing meetings.	12	10	12	6	6
Number of scheduled intelligence sharing meetings attended by the Department of Justice.	12	8	12	6	6

Objective: 1413-03 Through the Investigations Section, initiate or assist in 500 investigations.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Number of new investigations opened	6,590	500	500	500	500
[S] Number of closed investigations per investigator	21	8	8	8	8
[S] Number of open investigations per investigator	30	25	25	25	25

Objective: 1413-04 Through the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, open at least 250 investigations of provider fraud and patient abuse annually.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Number of investigations opened	394	250	250	250	250

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Total dollar amount of collections - all sources	20,874,540.89	45,023,708	43,088,633	10,504,942.04	2,769,151.25
Dollar amount of Civil and Criminal Restitution Ordered.	12,070,640.42	69,036,053	12,983,983	60,577,395.26	8,201,454.84
Dollar amount of civil monetary penalty collected	4,139,712.82	11,548,688	3,657,882	5,070,145.18	1,066,913.33
Dollar amount of investigation/prosecution costs collected	5,862,854.95	46,550	121,201	38,570.12	80,779.03
Dollar amount of restitution collected administratively	\$300	3,326	39,434	394,539.11	510,000.94
Total judgments obtained during fiscal year - all sources	23,860,733.85	80,593,521	17,172,934	65,793,147.45	10,455,753.19
Dollar amount of criminal restitution collected	1,345,632.64	196,322	287,768	45,632.8	160,030.75
Dollar amount of fines ordered	35,865.5	50,071	42,546	22,154.75	53,976.75
Dollar amount of civil monetary penalty ordered	5,779,905.33	11,437,005	3,822,303	4,810,524.37	2,780,947.81
Dollar amount of investigation/prosecution costs ordered	6,431,718.06	64,873	46,092	23,250	222,309.98
Dollar amount of administrative restitution ordered	\$0	5,520	278,009	359,823.07	1,376,880.73



Objective: 1413-05 Through the Cyber Crime Unit (CCU), to generate 240 Internet Crimes Against Children cases from proactive online investigations.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Number of Internet Crimes Against Children cases generated from proactive online investigations per fiscal year	2,772	95	95	95	95
[S] Number of cases per 40 hours of proactive online investigation	57.04	10	10	10	10

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Total Cyber Crime Unit (CCU) arrests	296	230	236	55	78
Number of hours spent in proactive online investigation	3,952	4,016	3,950	1,952	2,104

1414-Risk Litigation

Program Authorization

R.S. 49:191(12) (Act No. 107 of 1999); R.S. 36:701(D); R.S. 36:704(H); R.S. 39:1533(B)

Program Description

The mission of the Risk Litigation Program is to provide legal representation to the State of Louisiana, State agencies, and State employees in all tort claims seeking damages. The Risk Litigation Program defends claims managed by the Office of Risk Management and by any post secondary education institution granted an exemption from the State's risk management program.

The goal of the Risk Litigation Program is to provide superior legal and professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Litigation Division is divided into sections: Executive, Case Administration, Appeals, Civil Rights, General Liability, Medical Malpractice, Road Hazard, Transportation and Workers' Compensation. The Litigation Division is headquartered in Baton Rouge with five regional offices located in Alexandria, Lafayette, Monroe, New Orleans and Shreveport. The Litigation Division is one of the largest defense firms across the state, with a combined full-time staff of 172 employees, consisting of attorneys, paralegals, and support personnel.
- The executive staff ensures that the daily activities, duties, and responsibilities of the Division are accomplished. The staff consists of the director, three deputy directors, an associate deputy director, two administrative assistants, a property and procurement manager, a property and procurement assistant, special litigation counsel, assistant special litigation counsel, an executive management officer, an executive secretary, case administration specialists, and a receptionist.
- The Special Litigation Counsel defends the State's judiciary, the Disciplinary Counsel, and the Judiciary Commission. Special Litigation Counsel also defends cases deemed in need of special handling with other Divisions and contract counsel regarding specialized litigation issues.
- The Case Administration Section is responsible for management of the case intake and case resolution processes, which involves the coverage and risk analysis for the determination of covered claims, claims processing into the electronic case tracking system, management of the database, and tracking the claims throughout the litigation process. The Case Administration Section has two attorneys and five support staff members.
- The Appeals Section was recently created to handle in-house cases during the appeals process. The Appeals Section is staffed by designated employees throughout the Litigation Division housed across the state. The Division benefits from having its own in-house appellate specialists, who are familiar with the regional areas in which they practice.
- The Civil Rights Section defends suits filed in both state and federal court involving the deprivation of a person's civil rights. Such suits include, claims brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983; the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act; the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and parallel state statutes. The Civil Rights Section also provides legal representation to State agencies, its officials, and employees in civil rights actions brought pursuant to the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act.
- The General Liability Section defends all tort suits arising from incidents that do not come under the purview of any other section. The types of claims include injuries occurring on the premises of a State agency, including slip-and-fall incidents, broken chairs, and other defective items; lawsuits involving failure to train, supervise, or protect students, foster students, or children placed in state custody; general maritime claims; asbestos claims; defamation claims; and abuse and neglect claims.



- The Medical Malpractice Section defends the State, state agencies, and state health care providers against claims of medical malpractice in both the medical review panel process and in subsequent lawsuits filed in state court. The attorneys in the Medical Malpractice section also defend, the interests of state health care providers in depositions, hearings, and trials where these healthcare providers have been subpoenaed as witnesses.
- The Road Hazard Section defends the Department of Transportation and Development against claims where a condition of the roadway or its maintenance is alleged to have caused or contributed to the accident at issue. All money judgments against DOTD for road hazard claims, whether through trial or an agreement between the parties, must be satisfied by an appropriation from the Louisiana Legislature and approved by the Governor prior to payment.
- The Transportation Section defends the State, State agencies, and State employees in lawsuits involving automobile accidents and other automobile-related actions that occurred while the State employee was engaged in on-the-job activities, including accidents involving inmate transport.
- The Workers' Compensation Section defends the State and all of its agencies in workers' compensation proceedings, where a dispute arises concerning benefits payable under the Workers' Compensation Act. The Workers' Compensation Section also files suit to recover funds from third parties that the State paid to either injured State employees or to state agencies. The Workers' Compensation Section also represents the State in seeking reimbursement of workers' compensation benefits paid by ORM from the Second Injury Fund by appealing decisions of the Second Injury Board wherein ORM's claim for reimbursement from the Board is denied.
- The Alexandria Regional Office serves the following parishes across north and central Louisiana - Allen, Avoyelles, Beauregard, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Natchitoches, Rapides, and Vernon. The Alexandria Office also defends state court suits filed in Sabine Parish, federal suits filed in Winn Parish, and workers' compensation claims filed in District 2.
- The Lafayette Regional Office serves the following parishes in south and southwest Louisiana - Acadia, Calcasieu, Cameron, Evangeline, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary, and Vermilion. The Lafayette Office also defends workers' compensation claims filed in Districts 3 and 4.
- The Monroe Regional Office serves the following parishes in northeast Louisiana - Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Union, Tensas, and West Carroll. The Monroe Office also defends workers' compensation claims filed in District 1E.
- The New Orleans Regional Office serves the following parishes in southeast Louisiana - Jefferson, Lafourche, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. John the Baptist, St. Charles, St. Tammany, Terrebonne, and Washington. The New Orleans Office also defends federal suits filed in Tangipahoa Parish, as well as workers' compensation claims filed in Districts 7, 8, and 9.
- The Shreveport Regional Office serves the following parishes in northwest and north-central Louisiana - Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, De Soto, Jackson, Red River, Webster, and Winn. The Shreveport Office also defends state suits filed in Winn Parish and federal suits filed in Sabine Parish, as well as workers' compensation claims filed in District 1E.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	20,638,528	22,581,986	22,581,986	24,360,465	23,915,475	1,333,489
Fees & Self-generated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Means of Finance	20,638,528	22,581,986	22,581,986	24,360,465	23,915,475	1,333,489
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	18,109,540	20,021,491	20,021,491	21,422,574	21,011,239	989,748
Operating Expenses	1,381,914	1,205,838	1,205,838	1,464,828	1,431,788	225,950
Professional Services	0	22,459	22,459	23,074	22,459	0
Other Charges	1,064,388	1,174,698	1,174,698	1,277,289	1,277,289	102,591
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	82,686	157,500	157,500	172,700	172,700	15,200
Total Expenditures & Request	20,638,528	22,581,986	22,581,986	24,360,465	23,915,475	1,333,489
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	172	172	172	172	172	0
Total Authorized Positions	172	172	172	172	172	0
Authorized Other Charges Positions	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- Interagency Transfers derived from:
 - Office of Risk Management for investigative and legal services
 - Louisiana State University for investigative and legal services

Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Organization	Table of Organization	Description
0	22,581,986	172	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2025	
Statewide Adjustments				
\$0	\$398,650	0		Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$(411,335)	0		Attrition Adjustment
\$0	\$70,968	0		Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees
\$0	\$34,214	0		Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees
\$0	\$(157,500)	0		Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$25,198	0		Office of Technology Services (OTS)
\$0	\$510,200	0		Related Benefits Base Adjustment
\$0	\$(205,419)	0		Retirement Rate Adjustment
\$0	\$77,393	0		Risk Management



Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Table of Organization	Description
\$0	\$991,120	0	Salary Base Adjustment
0	1,333,489	0	Total Statewide
0	0	0	Total Non-Statewide
0	23,915,475	172	Total Recommended

Professional Services

Amount	Description
Professional Services:	
\$22,459	Contract legal services to carry out the mission of the department, including expert witnesses required by the Risk Litigation Program
\$22,459	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
Other Charges:	
\$72,282	Expenditures for costs of court transcripts, records, filing fees, and witness costs
\$72,282	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
Interagency Transfers:	
\$605,027	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$330,078	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$43,817	Capitol Park Security Fees
\$12,699	Uniform Payroll System (UPS) Fees
\$30,502	Legislative Auditor Fees
\$648	Office of State Procurement (OSP) Fees
\$157,038	Division of Administration - Messenger service fees, mail services, telephone services, and printing services
\$25,198	Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees
\$1,205,007	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$1,277,289	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$172,700	Replacement of law books, computers, and monitors.
\$172,700	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1414-01 To better utilize the funds available to the Office of Risk Management and exempt institutions for legal expenses by handling in-house at least 85% of new risk litigation cases opened.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Percentage of new Cases assigned to in-house counsel	58.15%	85%	85%	85%	85%



General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Average number of days open for open cases assigned to contract counsel	1,644.43	1,656	3,411.6	3,315.38	1,183.46
Average number of days open for open cases assigned to in-house counsel	1,480.04	1,440	3,042.78	2,553.9	1,454.23

1415-Gaming

Program Authorization

La. Constitution, Article IV, Section 8; La. R.S. 36:701(D); La. R.S. 36:704(H); La. R.S. 27:1 et seq. (Louisiana Gaming Control Board, successor in authority to the Louisiana Economic Development and Gaming Corporation, Riverboat Gaming Commission, and the Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Division and Video Gaming Division of the Louisiana State Police); La. R.S. 27:351 et seq. (Louisiana Pari-Mutuel Live Racing Facility Economic Re-Development and Gaming Control Act); La. R.S. 4:141 et seq. (Louisiana State Racing Commission); La. R.S. 4:701 (Charitable Gaming); La. R.S. 47:9001 et seq. (The Louisiana Lottery Corporation)

Program Description

The mission of the Gaming Program is to create a regulatory atmosphere for licensed gaming which instills public confidence and trust that gaming activities are conducted honestly and are free from criminal and corruptive elements; to insure the integrity of individual gaming entities by the regulation of persons, practices, associations and activities within the gaming industry; and to anticipate and support necessary corrective rulemaking and legislation.

The goal of the Gaming Program is to provide superior legal and professional services to Louisiana citizens, private sector organizations, and all governmental entities.

Program Activities include the following:

- The Gaming Division provides legal representation, advice, and counsel to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board in areas of land-based casino, riverboat, video draw poker gaming, fantasy sports contests, slot machine gaming at racetracks, and gaming on Indian lands. The Gaming Division represents the Board in judicial appeals of administrative actions and defends the Board in all civil litigation relating to gaming. The Gaming Division negotiates on behalf of, represents, and provides counsel to the Board regarding the Casino Operating Contract and matters of exclusivity relating to the land-based casino, as well as handles all rulemaking.
- The Gaming Division provides legal advice and counsel to the Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division in all areas of gaming regulation, including licensing, enforcement, and rulemaking. The Gaming Division provides legal representation to the Gaming Enforcement Division in all gaming matters before the Administrative Hearing Office, as well as all appeals to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, Nineteenth Judicial District Court, First Circuit Court of Appeals, and Louisiana Supreme Court. The Gaming Division provides legal advice and counsel to the Louisiana Lottery Corporation on gaming matters, including, without limitation, Lottery Corporation contracts with vendors and lessors, Requests for Proposals, and invoices. The Gaming Division provides legal representation to the Lottery in administrative proceedings and vendor bankruptcy proceedings, and litigates suits filed against the Lottery Corporation.
- The Gaming Division provides legal advice and representation to the Louisiana Department of Revenue, Office of Charitable Gaming in all areas of charitable gaming regulation, including licensing, enforcement, and rulemaking, as well as litigating administrative actions, including denials of applications, suspensions, revocations, and civil penalties. The Gaming Division assists in the review of files and applications, represents the Office of Charitable Gaming in judicial appeals of administrative actions, and defends the Office of Charitable Gaming in other civil litigation related to gaming.
- The Gaming Division provides legal representation to the Louisiana State Police, Indian Gaming Unit in regard to the denial, suspension, and revocation of state certifications to work for or do business with Indian casinos. The Gaming Division advises the Governor's Office on matters of Indian gaming and Indian law, as well as assists with drafting the compacts that control Indian gaming in Louisiana. The Gaming Division also serves as a resource for members of the legislature, local officials, and governmental agencies regarding matters of Indian gaming, the compacts, and general Indian law.

Program Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Means of Finance:						
State General Fund (Direct)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State General Fund by:						
Interagency Transfers	347,720	366,748	366,748	369,096	366,748	0
Fees & Self-generated	88,875	115,727	115,727	115,727	115,727	0
Statutory Dedications	5,799,151	6,204,929	6,204,929	7,195,384	7,145,998	941,069
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Means of Finance	6,235,746	6,687,404	6,687,404	7,680,207	7,628,473	941,069
Expenditures and Request:						
Personnel Services	5,370,364	5,748,504	5,748,504	6,435,215	6,396,074	647,570
Operating Expenses	388,393	333,642	353,642	436,481	426,792	73,150
Professional Services	10,000	126,000	106,000	108,904	106,000	0
Other Charges	431,661	444,164	444,164	463,513	463,513	19,349
Acquisitions & Major Repairs	35,329	35,094	35,094	236,094	236,094	201,000
Total Expenditures & Request	6,235,746	6,687,404	6,687,404	7,680,207	7,628,473	941,069
Authorized Positions						
Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	54	54	54	54	54	0
Total Authorized Positions	54	54	54	54	54	0
Authorized Other Charges Positions	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source of Funding

This program is funded with the following:

- Interagency Transfers derived from:
 - Various state agencies for investigative and legal services pertaining to the gaming industry
- Fees and Self-generated Revenues derived from:
 - Legal services fees charged to the Louisiana Lottery Corporation
- Statutory Dedications from the following funds:
 - Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund created by R.S. 27:92(B)(2)(c)
 - Pari-Mutuel Live Racing Facility Gaming Control Fund created by R.S. 27:392(B)(2)(a)
 - Video Draw Poker Device Fund created by R.S. 27:437(B)(1)(c)
 - Sports Wagering Enforcement Fund created by R.S. 27:626(A)

Per R.S. 39:36B(8), see table below for a listing of each statutorily dedicated fund.



Adjustments from Existing Operating Budget

General Fund	Total Amount	Organization	Description
0	6,687,404	54	Existing Operating Budget as of 12/01/2025
Statewide Adjustments			
\$0 \$309,244 0 Acquisitions & Major Repairs			
\$0 \$(39,141) 0 Attrition Adjustment			
\$0 \$20,641 0 Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Active Employees			
\$0 \$6,900 0 Group Insurance Rate Adjustment for Retirees			
\$0 \$(35,094) 0 Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs			
\$0 \$152,530 0 Related Benefits Base Adjustment			
\$0 \$(58,595) 0 Retirement Rate Adjustment			
\$0 \$19,349 0 Risk Management			
\$0 \$565,235 0 Salary Base Adjustment			
0 941,069 0 Total Statewide			
0 0 0 Total Non-Statewide			
0 7,628,473 54 Total Recommended			

Fees & Self-generated

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Fees & Self-generated Revenues	88,875	115,727	115,727	115,727	115,727	0

Statutory Dedications

Fund	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025	Enacted FY2025-2026	Existing Operating Budget (EOB) as of 12/01/25	Continuation FY 2026-2027	Recommended FY 2026-2027	Total Recommended Over/(Under) EOB
Video Draw Poker Device Fund	3,328,892	3,469,162	3,469,162	3,879,176	3,876,467	407,305
Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund	1,733,239	1,932,743	1,932,743	2,229,586	2,225,215	292,472
Pari-mutuel Live Racing Facility Gaming Control Fund	602,933	644,658	644,658	775,254	733,482	88,824
Sports Wagering Enforcement Fund	134,088	158,366	158,366	311,368	310,834	152,468

Professional Services

Amount	Description
Professional Services:	
\$106,000	Contract legal services, including expert witnesses required by the Gaming Program to carry out the mission of the department
\$106,000	TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Other Charges

Amount	Description
Other Charges:	
\$19,000	Expenditures for cost such as court transcripts, records, filing fees, witness and other operating costs
\$19,000	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
Interagency Transfers:	
\$37,188	Office of Technology Services (OTS) Fees



Other Charges

Amount	Description
\$3,521	Capitol Police Fees
\$4,949	Office of State Procurement (OSP) Fees
\$82,520	Office of Risk Management (ORM) Premiums
\$230,234	Rent in State-owned Buildings
\$86,101	Division of Administration - Messenger service fees, mail services, telephone services, and printing services
\$444,513	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$463,513	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Acquisitions and Major Repairs

Amount	Description
Acquisitions and Major Repairs:	
\$236,094	Replacement of docking stations, law books, computers, software, office chairs, building security equipment, and monitors
\$236,094	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

Objective: 1415-01 Through the Gaming Program, forward 95% of Video Gaming and Casino Gaming approval files to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board within 20 business days of assignment.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[S] Average number of business days from assignment of video gaming approval files until forwarded to LGCB	3	20	20	20	20
[S] Percent of video gaming approval files processed within 20 business days of assignment.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%
[S] Average number of business days from assignment of casino gaming approval files until forwarded to LGCB.	1	20	20	20	20
[S] Percent of casino gaming approval files processed within 20 business days of assignment.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of Video Gaming approval files processed by Licensing and Compliance	156	108	94	43	16
Number of Casino Gaming approval files processed by Licensing and Compliance	320	344	690	325	111



Objective: 1415-02 Through the License and Compliance Section, forward 95% of video gaming administrative action and denial files to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board within 60 business days of assignment.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[K] Percent of video gaming administrative action or denial files processed within 60 days of assignment.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%
[S] Average number of business days from assignment of video gaming administrative action and denial files until forwarded to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board	3	60	60	60	60

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of complex video gaming administrative action and denial files processed in more than 60 business days of assignment.	0	0	0	0	0
Number of video gaming administrative action and denial files processed by Licensing and Compliance within 60 days of assignment	44	110	108	5	2
Number of video gaming administrative action and denial files processed by Licensing and Compliance.	44	110	108	50	2

Objective: 1415-03 Through the License and Compliance Section, forward 95% of casino gaming administrative action and denial files to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board within 30 business days of assignment.

Children's Budget Link Not Applicable

HR Policies Beneficial to Women and Families Link Not Applicable

Other Links (TANF, Tobacco Settlement, Workforce Development Commission, or Other) Not Applicable

Performance Indicator Name	Actuals FY 24-25	Initially Appropriated FY 25-26	Existing Standard FY 25-26	Continuation Budget FY 26-27	Executive Budget FY 26-27
[S] Average number of business days from assignment of casino gaming administrative action and denial files until forwarded to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board.	9	30	30	30	30
[K] Percent of casino gaming administrative action or denial files processed within 30 business days of assignment.	100%	95%	95%	95%	95%

General Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator Name	Prior Year Actuals FY 2020-2021	Prior Year Actuals FY 2021-2022	Prior Year Actuals FY 2022-2023	Prior Year Actuals FY 2023-2024	Prior Year Actuals FY 2024-2025
Number of casino gaming administrative action or denial files processed by Licensing and Compliance within 30 business days of assignment	110	70	124	102	12
Number of complex casino gaming administrative action and denial files processed in more than 60 business days of assignment	110	70	124	102	12

