



# **HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS**

**FY 12-13**

**Executive Budget Review**

**Public Service Commission**



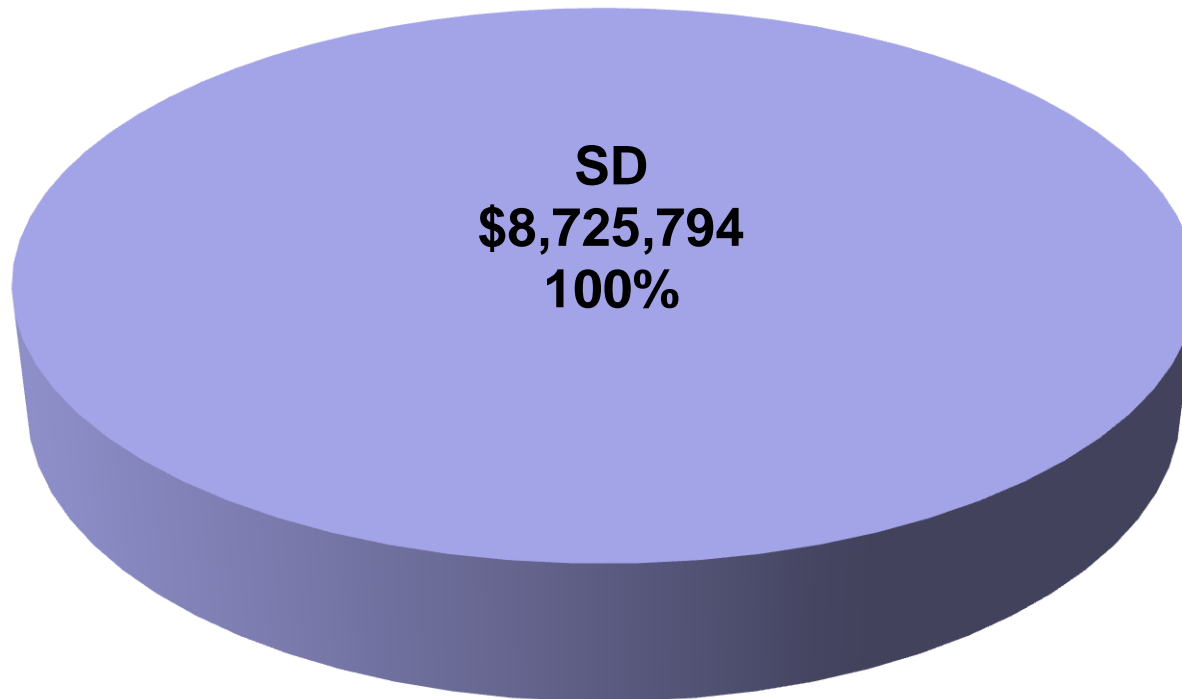
# **The Louisiana Public Service Commission has one budget unit:**

## **04-158 – Public Service Commission**

**Administrative Program  
Support Services Program  
Motor Carrier Registration Program  
District Offices Program**



**LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
FY 12-13 TOTAL MOF  
\$8.7 MILLION**





# Executive Budget By Means of Finance

| LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION |                                |  |                             |                                  |  |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Means of Financing (MOF)            | Actual Expenditures FY 2010-11 | Existing Operating Budget FY 2011-12 (12/1/11) | Executive Budget FY 2012-13 | Change From FY 11-12 to FY 12-13 | Percent Change From FY 11-12 to FY 12-13 |
| State General Fund (SGF)            | \$0                            | \$0  | \$0                         | \$0                              | 0%                                       |
| Interagency Transfers (IAT)         | \$0                            | \$0  | \$0                         | \$0                              | 0%                                       |
| Fees & Self-gen Rev (SGR)           | \$0                            | \$0  | \$0                         | \$0                              | 0%                                       |
| Statutory Dedications (SD)          | \$8,900,939                    | \$9,724,407                                    | \$8,725,794                 | -\$998,613                       | -10.27%                                  |
| Interim Emergency Board             | \$0                            | \$0  | \$0                         | \$0                              | 0%                                       |
| Federal Funds (FED)                 | \$141,694                      | \$716,837                                      | \$0                         | -\$716,837                       | -100%                                    |
| <b>TOTAL MOF</b>                    | \$9,042,633                    | \$10,441,244                                   | \$8,725,794                 | -\$1,715,450                     | -16.43%                                  |
| <b>Authorized Positions</b>         | 97                             | 97   | 97                          | 0                                | 0.00%                                    |

The primary sources of revenue are fees for the inspection and control of certain motor carriers and public utilities doing business in Louisiana, fines collected through the “Do Not Call” program, and intrastate regulation of motor carriers.



## Significant Budget Changes - Statewide

- \$158,551 SD** Provides funding for Acquisitions and Major Repairs.
- \$95,626 SD** Provides funding for Salary Base Adjustment.
- (\$716,837) Fed** Non-recurs Carryforwards.
- (589,244) SD** State Employee Retirement Rate Adjustment.
- (\$250,062) SD** Non-recurs funding for the FY 11-12 27<sup>th</sup> Pay Period.



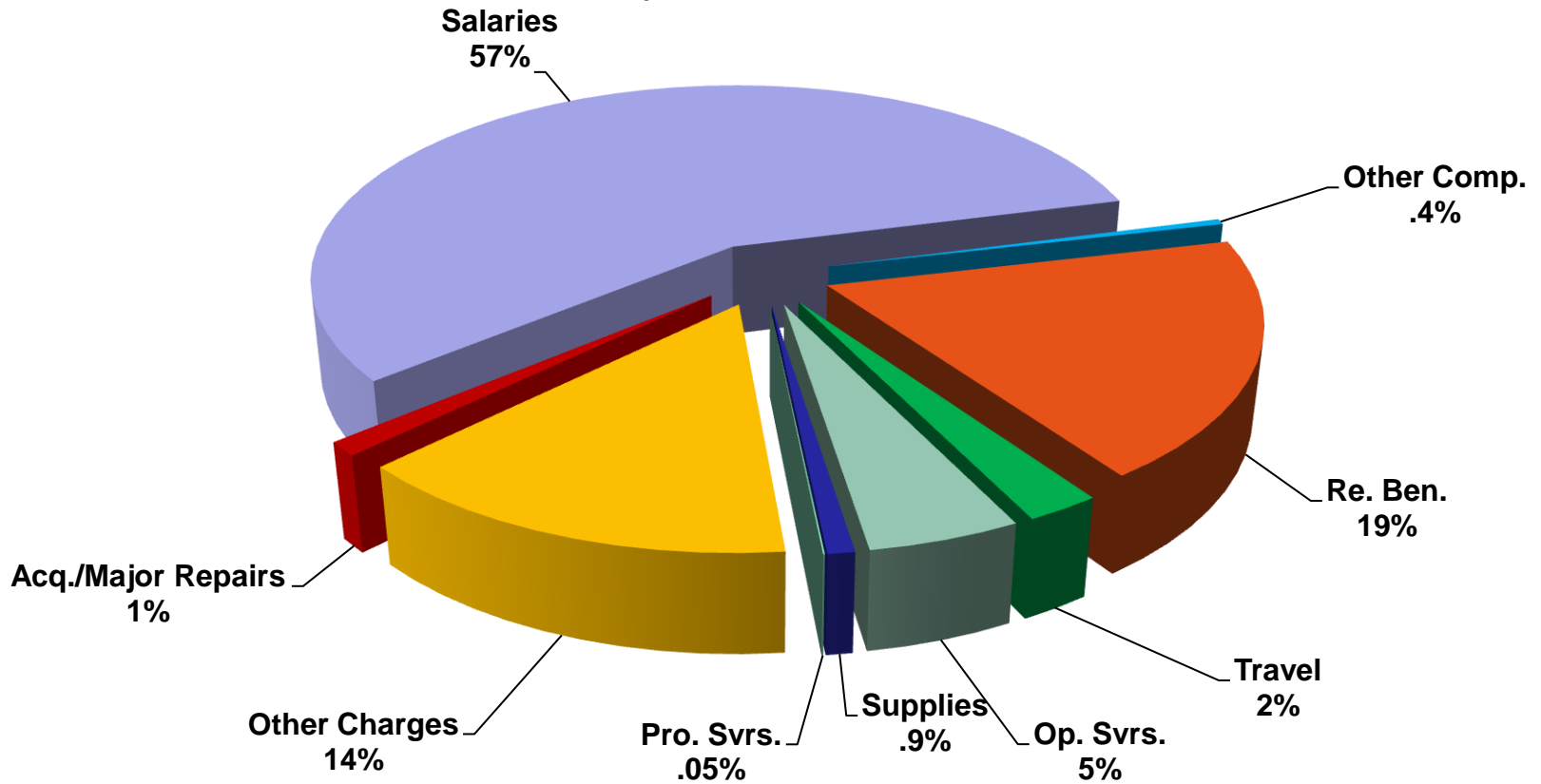
# Significant Agency Budget Changes

**\$167,578 SD**

**Provides funding for various operational and regulatory programmatic expenses. This funding will support Information Technology development, maintenance and support contracts, public service announcements, supplies, and printing.**



# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FY 12-13 EXPENDITURES \$8.7 MILLION





## FY 12-13 Executive Budget by Expenditure Line Item

| Expenditures       | FY 10-11 Actual Expenditure | FY 11-12 Existing Operating Budget (12/1/11) | FY 12-13 Executive Budget | Change from FY 11-12 to FY 12-13 | Percent Change |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Salaries           | \$4,941,208                 | \$5,195,443                                  | \$4,974,964               | -\$220,479                       | -4.2%          |
| Other Compensation | \$71,733                    | \$277,449                                    | \$38,558                  | -\$238,891                       | -86.1%         |
| Related Benefits   | \$1,929,962                 | \$2,419,770                                  | \$1,655,374               | -\$764,396                       | -31.6%         |
| Travel             | \$110,841                   | \$587,239                                    | \$206,675                 | -\$380,564                       | -64.8%         |
| Operating Services | \$373,332                   | \$404,946                                    | \$421,473                 | \$16,527                         | 4.1%           |
| Supplies           | \$56,008                    | \$89,841                                     | \$74,810                  | -\$15,031                        | -16.7%         |
| Prof Svcs          | \$0                         | \$5,000                                      | \$5,000                   | \$0                              | 0%             |
| Other Charges      | \$1,250,309                 | \$1,305,851                                  | \$1,251,807               | -\$54,044                        | -4.1%          |
| Acq/Major Repairs  | \$309,240                   | \$155,705                                    | \$97,133                  | -\$58,572                        | -37.6%         |
| Unallotted         | \$0                         | \$0  | \$0                       | \$0                              | 0%             |
| <b>TOTAL EXP</b>   | <b>\$9,042,633</b>          | <b>\$10,441,244</b>                          | <b>\$8,725,794</b>        | <b>-\$1,715,450</b>              | <b>-16.4%</b>  |







# Public Service Commission Discretionary and Non-Discretionary Funding in FY 12-13 Executive Budget

|                   |             |        |
|-------------------|-------------|--------|
| Discretionary     | \$7,387,459 | 84.66% |
| Non-Discretionary | \$1,338,335 | 15.34% |
| Total             | \$8,725,794 | 100%   |

**Non-Discretionary funding is used to pay mandatory costs such as rent for state owned buildings and risk management premiums.**



# Statutory Dedications

| LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION<br>Statutory Dedication Comparison |                                    |  |                                 |                                   |                   |
|--|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Statutory Dedications  | FY 10-11<br>Actual<br>Expenditures | FY 11-12<br>Existing<br>Operating<br>Budget<br>12/1/11 | FY 12-13<br>Executive<br>Budget | Change<br>FY 11-12 to<br>FY 12-13 | Percent<br>Change |
| Motor Carrier Regulation Fund  | \$194,365                          | \$150,000  | \$145,500                       | -\$4,500                          | -3%               |
| Telephonic Solicitation Relief Fund                                    | \$254,829                          | \$259,944  | \$254,040                       | -\$5,904                          | -2.3%             |
| Inspection/Supervision Fund  | \$8,451,745                        | \$9,314,463  | \$8,326,254                     | -\$988,209                        | -10.6%            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$8,900,939</b>                 | <b>\$9,724,407</b>                                     | <b>\$8,725,794</b>              | <b>-\$998,613</b>                 | <b>-10.3%</b>     |





## Dedications

### **Motor Carrier Registration Fund R.S. 45:169.1**

The motor carrier fund collects fees from oversight of motor carriers transporting household goods, waste or passengers, or carriers operating as a wrecker/tow service. These revenues are used for the operation of the program.

When monies from the carrier fund are expended in the prosecution of any violation, the attorney general shall institute a civil action to recover from the responsible person all such monies expended from the carrier fund. Any monies so recovered shall be paid back into this fund.



## Dedications

### Utility and Carrier Inspection and Supervision

#### Fund R.S. 45:1177

Motor carriers and public utilities doing business in Louisiana that are subject to control and jurisdiction of the PSC are charged a fee for the inspection, control, and supervision of the business services and rates. This applies to common carriers and public utilities. In addition they are subject to any and all property, franchise, license, and other taxes, and fees and charges.

The monies in this fund shall be used solely for the expenses of the operations of the commission and only in the amounts appropriated by the legislature.



## DEDICATIONS

### Telephonic Solicitation Relief Fund R.S. 45:844.14

The Telephonic Solicitation Relief Fund is used to provide oversight to the “**Do Not Call**” program which establishes rules and regulations for residential telephonic subscribers who do not wish to receive telephonic solicitations.

Any surplus monies and interest remaining to the credit of the fund on June thirtieth of each year shall remain to the credit of the fund and no part thereof shall revert to the State General Fund.



# “Do Not Call” Program

The Louisiana "**Do Not Call**" program, established on January 1, 2002, is a list, updated and maintained by the Public Service Commission, of residential telephone subscribers who do not wish to receive telephone solicitations. Business numbers may not be registered in the program.

Businesses wishing to engage in telephone solicitation of residential subscribers within the state of Louisiana must purchase a copy of the "**Do Not Call**" register.

- The range for fines is \$500 to \$10,000.
- The program is free to all Louisiana residential telephone customers.
- The collections of fees and fines supports the program independent of State General Funds.



## 5 Year Historical Collections for the “Do Not Call” Program

| <u>Do Not Call</u>         | <u>FY 2007</u> | <u>FY 2008</u> | <u>FY 2009</u> | <u>FY 2010</u> | <u>FY 2011</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Subscribers Registered     | 1,832,928      | 2,150,169      | 2,449,072      | 2,613,334      | 2,735,462      |
| Solicitors Registered      | 894            | 814            | 836            | 808            | 870            |
| Solicitor Registration Fee | \$ 357,900     | \$ 318,909     | \$ 307,108     | \$ 300,203     | \$301,500      |
| Solicitor Fines Collected  | \$ 38,450      | \$ 15,103      | \$ 3,000       | \$ 6,000       | \$11,000       |



# Louisiana Public Service Commission

## FY 12-13 SALARIES/POSITIONS

- \$5 million for Salaries and Other Compensation
- \$1.6 million for Related Benefits
- Total Personal Services = \$6.6 million, 76% of the Public Service Commission total Executive Budget Recommendation
- 97 Authorized Positions (79 classified and 18 unclassified)

### As of 2/15/12

- Average Classified Salary = \$50,604
- Average Unclassified Salary = \$60,364
- Vacancies: 2
- Non-TO: 1





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