

The Louisiana Tax Commission generates over \$700 million revenue for local government and half of the agency's operating budget just from the direct assessment of public service and banks and insurance properties. The Tax Commission administers and enforces property tax assessment laws throughout the State of Louisiana to achieve accurate, fair and uniform ad valorem assessments. The agency's 2016-2017 budget is \$4.4 million with 38 positions; still less than it was approximately 8 years ago. Fiscal year 2008-2009, the agency's budget was \$5.2 million with 41 positions. During fiscal years 2009-2010 through 2010-2011, the agency's budget was reduced \$1.671 million (or 32.1%) and 5 positions (or 12.1%). The agency has had to implement and plans to continue being open to and add efficiency measures like taking advantage of technology where possible, employee training, cross-training employees, allowing employees to work from home and/or computer access to work when necessary, continuously matching tasks to employee skills, and having productive meetings and feedback to ensure an efficient operation for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and beyond.