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# Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design

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#### **AT A GLANCE**

- 21 Board members appointed by the Governor; 5 are public members
- 7 employees at full staffing

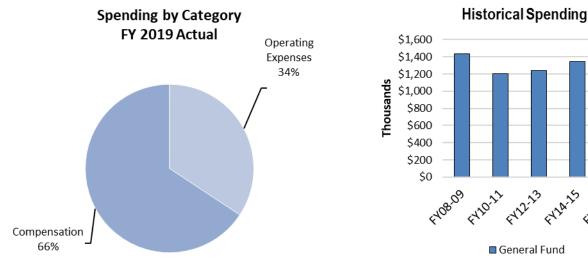
#### In FY 2019-20, the Board:

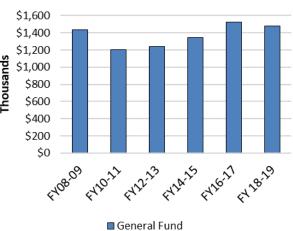
- Evaluated 3,901 applications for examination and licensure
- Issued a yearly average of 21,368 licenses
- Investigated 175 new complaints
- Issued 745 in-training certificates
- Outreach: 38 presentations

#### **PURPOSE**

The Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design (AELSLAGID) regulates the professions and enforces the statutes and rules in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public. The Board ensures that individuals meet the education, examination, and experience standards for licensure or certification, and maintain their records in good standing. The Board takes disciplinary action against those who violate the statutes, rules, and standards governing the practice of the professions.

#### **BUDGET**





Source: Budget Planning & Analysis System (BPAS)

Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

The Board's budget is funded through General Fund appropriations. The total FY20-21 biennial budget is \$1,706,000. The Board collects application and licensure fees which are deposited in the state's General Fund.

#### **STRATEGIES**

To accomplish its mission, the Board uses the following strategies:

- 1. **Regulatory** Collaboration with the professions' national councils on consistent standards for examination, licensure, and enforcement. Evaluating applications to ensure that those entering professional practice have completed the required education, examination, and experience.
- Enforcement Investigating complaints and taking action against licensees and unlicensed individuals
  who violate the Board's statutes and rules. Removing individuals from practice when necessary.
  Exchanging enforcement data across jurisdictions. Providing public access to license status, discipline
  history, and the complaint process. Ensuring that the Board's statutes and rules are up-to-date and
  understandable.
- 3. **Outreach and Education** Providing information to Minnesota citizens, legislators, building officials, fire marshals, other state agencies, schools, and national councils about the value of licensure and the requirements of competent practice.

The Board of AELSLAGID contributes to keeping people in Minnesota safe by:

- Setting education, examination, and experience standards for licensure and certification;
- Reviewing applicant credentials to ensure that those entering professional practice have completed the required education, examination, and experience; and
- Investigating complaints and taking enforcement action against those who violate the Board's statutes and rules.

The Board contributes to creating a thriving economy in Minnesota that encourages business growth and employment opportunities by:

- Ensuring that statutes and rules reflect the minimum standards to protect the public; and
- Updating statutes and rules to remove unnecessary barriers to licensure and certification.

The Board contributes to providing efficient and accountable government services by:

- Responding quickly and professionally to applicants, licensees, certificate holders, and the public;
- Providing education and information to the public, students, licensees, and certificate holders; and
- Thoroughly and efficiently investigating complaints and taking enforcement action when appropriate.

The Board strives for equity in licensure and certification by:

- Ensuring that standards for Minnesota residents are not easier or harder to achieve than standards for those already licensed or certified in another state transferring to Minnesota;
- Consistently applying the statutes and rules to all applicants, licensees, and certificate holders; and
- Using plain language on application forms and in administrative rules.

#### **RESULTS**

Type of Measure	Name of Measure	Previous	Current	Dates
Quality	Average business days to process online renewal applications	.89	.88	FY 17-18 & FY 19-20
Quality	Average days to approval/denial of applications for examination  Note: FY 19/20 impacted by vacant position and COVID	12	13	FY 17-18 & FY 19-20
Quality	Average days to approval/denial of applications for licensure by those already licensed in another jurisdiction.  Note: FY 19/20 impacted by vacant position and COVID	27	28	FY 17-18 & FY 19-20
Quality	Average days to resolve a complaint  Note: The Board investigator position has been intermittently vacant throughout this period.	130	183	FY 17-18 & FY 19-20
Quantity	Number of presentations given	22	38	FY 17-18 & FY 19-20

The Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design's legal authority comes from M.S. §214.01 and M.S. §§326.02 – 326.15.

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/214.01 https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/326

# **Architecture, Engineering Board**

# **Agency Expenditure Overview**

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base	
	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Expenditures by Fund						
1000 - General	725	752	685	1,021	851	851
Total	725	752	685	1,021	851	851
Biennial Change				229		(4)
Biennial % Change				15		(0)
Expenditures by Program						
AELSLA	725	752	685	1,021	851	851
Total	725	752	685	1,021	851	851
Expenditures by Category						
Compensation	441	494	465	541	541	541
Operating Expenses	284	258	219	480	310	310
Other Financial Transaction	0	0	0			
Total	725	752	685	1,021	851	851
Full-Time Equivalents	6.03	6.37	5.78	6.00	6.00	6.00

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# **Agency Financing by Fund**

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast B	ase
	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
1000 - General						
Balance Forward In		82		170		
Direct Appropriation	799	805	855	851	851	851
Cancellations		135				
Balance Forward Out	74		170			
Expenditures	725	752	685	1,021	851	851
Biennial Change in Expenditures				229		(4)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				15		(0)
Full-Time Equivalents	6.03	6.37	5.78	6.00	6.00	6.00

# **Architecture, Engineering Board**

## **Agency Change Summary**

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY21	FY22	FY23	Biennium 2022-23
Direct				
Fund: 1000 - General				
FY2021 Appropriations	851	851	851	1,702
Forecast Base	851	851	851	1,702
Revenue Change Summary				
Non-Dedicated				
Fund: 1000 - General				
Forecast Revenues	831	2,231	831	3,062