

1690 Alfred E. Alquist Seismic Safety Commission

The mission of the Alfred E. Alquist Seismic Safety Commission is to improve the well-being of the people of California through cost-effective measures that lower earthquake risk to life and property. To accomplish this, the Commission works with federal, state, and local agencies as well as the private sector on a variety of activities that guide and stimulate earthquake risk reduction and management. The 20 appointed Commissioners provide state government with policy guidance, topical expertise, and perspectives from the private sector, academia, and local government. The Commission is responsible for: (1) advising the Governor, Legislature and the citizens of California on seismic safety policies and issues, (2) maintaining and encouraging the implementation of the state's five-year Earthquake Loss Reduction Plan, (3) reviewing the adequacy of earthquake safety policies and programs carried out by state and local agencies and providing recommendations for improvement, (4) using existing knowledge and conducting studies where necessary to develop and publish information to improve the performance of structures in California, (5) preparing and disseminating guides to the public identifying earthquake weaknesses and other issues related to residential and commercial buildings, (6) advising the Governor, Legislature, school districts, and the public on seismic safety issues affecting school facilities, (7) awarding and managing grants under its Earthquake Grant Research Program, relevant to priorities identified within its Earthquake Research Plan and/or the California Earthquake Loss Reduction Plan, (8) fostering the development and use of new and emerging technologies, and (9) seeking new information and insights from the scientific and engineering communities and from studies of damaging earthquakes and applying this information to reduce California's earthquake risk.

Chapter 532, Statutes of 2006 (SB 1278) places the Alfred E. Alquist Seismic Safety Commission under the purview of the State and Consumer Services Agency, effective January 1, 2007.

3-YR EXPENDITURES AND POSITIONS (Summary of Program Requirements)

	Positions			Expenditures		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
10 Seismic Safety	-	3.4	7.8	\$-	\$692	\$3,194
TOTALS, POSITIONS AND EXPENDITURES (All Programs)	-	3.4	7.8	\$-	\$692	\$3,194
FUNDING				2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
0217 Insurance Fund				\$-	\$642	\$1,117
0942 Special Deposit Fund				-	-	2,000
0995 Reimbursements				-	50	77
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS				\$-	\$692	\$3,194

LEGAL CITATIONS AND AUTHORITY

DEPARTMENT AUTHORITY

Government Code Chapter 13, Sections 8870 through 8875.95 and 8890 through 8899.26 and Insurance Code Sections 12975.7, 12975.8, and 12975.9.

MAJOR PROGRAM CHANGES

- Earthquake Research Grants - The Budget includes \$2 million and 1 position for the administration and issuance of grants for research related to earthquake risk reduction. The Seismic Safety Commission is finalizing a settlement that will provide one-time funding of \$6.6 million to implement a multi-year earthquake grant research program. The program will address risk reduction needs identified by the state to reduce the risk of death, injury, and property damage during earthquakes.

DETAILED BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Baseline Adjustment Descriptions	2006-07*			2007-08*		
	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions
• Earthquake Research Grants	\$-	\$-	-	\$-	\$2,000	1.0
• Establish the Commission within the State and Consumer Services Agency	-	661	3.4	-	1,036	6.8
• Pro Rata Adjustment	-	-	-	-	74	-
• Employee Compensation Adjustments	-	28	-	-	54	-
• Other Baseline Adjustments	-	-	-	-	16	-
• Price Increase	-	-	-	-	9	-
• Retirement Rate Adjustment	-	3	-	-	5	-
Totals, Baseline Adjustments	\$-	\$692	3.4	\$-	\$3,194	7.8

* Dollars in thousands, except in Salary Range.

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	2006-07*			2007-08*		
	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions
TOTALS, BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS	\$-	\$692	3.4	\$-	\$3,194	7.8

EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY (Summary By Object)

1 State Operations	Positions			Expenditures		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
PERSONAL SERVICES						
Authorized Positions (Equals Sch. 7A)	-	-	6.9	\$-	\$-	\$549
Total Adjustments	-	3.5	1.0	-	294	99
Estimated Salary Savings	-	-0.1	-0.1	-	-5	-9
Net Totals, Salaries and Wages	-	3.4	7.8	\$-	\$289	\$639
Staff Benefits	-	-	-	-	99	208
Totals, Personal Services	-	3.4	7.8	\$-	\$388	\$847
OPERATING EXPENSES AND EQUIPMENT				\$-	\$304	\$547
SPECIAL ITEMS OF EXPENSE						
Earthquake Research Grants				\$-	\$-	\$1,800
Totals, Special Items of Expense				\$-	\$-	\$1,800
TOTALS, POSITIONS AND EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (State Operations)				\$-	\$692	\$3,194

DETAIL OF APPROPRIATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS (Reconciliation with Appropriations)

1 STATE OPERATIONS	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
0217 Insurance Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	-	-	\$1,117
Transfer from Item 8690-001-0217, Budget Act of 2006 per Chapter 532, Statutes of 2006	-	\$611	-
Allocation for employee compensation	-	28	-
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-	3	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$642	\$1,117
0942 Special Deposit Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Government Code Section 16370	-	-	\$2,000
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$2,000
0995 Reimbursements			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Reimbursements	-	\$50	\$77
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (State Operations)	\$-	\$692	\$3,194

FUND CONDITION STATEMENTS

	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
0257 Earthquake Emergency Investigations Account, Natural Disaster Assistance			
Fund ^s			
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$95	\$95	\$95
FUND BALANCE	\$95	\$95	\$95
Reserve for economic uncertainties	95	95	95

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CHANGES IN AUTHORIZED POSITIONS

	Positions			Expenditures		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
Totals, Authorized Positions	-	-	6.9	\$-	\$-	\$549
Salary Adjustments	-	-	-	-	21	39
Workload and Administrative Adjustments:				Salary Range		
Transfer from Org. 8690 per Ch. 532, Statutes of 2006						
Commissioners	-	-	-	100/day	10	-
Exec Director	-	0.5	-	\$7,820-8,459	51	-
Supvng Structural Engr	-	0.3	-	6,622-8,050	22	-
Sr Structural Engr	-	0.5	-	6,020-7,313	46	-
Sr Engrng Geologist	-	0.5	-	5,752-6,990	42	-
Staff Services Mgr I	-	1.0	-	4,746-5,726	67	-
Exec Secretary I	-	0.5	-	2,822-3,431	20	-
Temporary Help	-	0.2	-	-	7	-
Overtime	-	-	-	-	8	-
Totals, Workload & Admin Adjustments	-	3.5	-	\$-	\$273	\$-
Proposed New Positions:						
Temporary Help	-	-	1.0	-	-	60
Totals, Proposed New Positions	-	-	1.0	\$-	\$-	\$60
Total Adjustments	-	3.5	1.0	\$-	\$294	\$99
TOTALS, SALARIES AND WAGES	-	3.5	7.9	\$-	\$294	\$648

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