

# Agency 58 - State Board Of Examiners Engineers & Architects

## Statutory Authority:

Statutory Authority: Nebraska Statutes Sections 81-3401 to 81-3455, The Engineers and Architects Regulation Act.

## Vision Statement:

The Board of Engineers and Architects will assume a leadership role in safeguarding the life, health, and property of the people of Nebraska with respect to the practice of engineering and architecture. The Board envisions the creation and maintenance of a unified design profession that will create a legal climate in which the professions can excel and which is consonant with the laws of other states and nations. The Board envisions architects and professional engineers who practice with quality which not only protects the citizens but also contributes positively to the economic development of Nebraska.

## Mission Statement:

The Board's mission is to safeguard life, health, and property where the practice of engineering and architecture is involved. This is accomplished, in large part, by assuring that the education, experience, and examination of those who practice qualifies them to serve the public. In addition, the agency exists in order to ensure the enforcement of Nebraska Statute Sections 81-3401 through 81-3455, which apply to the licensure and practice of architects and professional engineers.

## Goals:

Goals established during strategic planning in 1996 are virtually complete:

1. The Engineers and Architects Regulation Act was passed by the 1997 Legislature;
2. A pool of investigators has been established;
3. New rules and regulations have been written and are scheduled for hearing;
4. A web page is in place;
5. Mandatory continuing education is included in the new rules. Work will continue during the next biennium on expanding the newsletter, conducting a public awareness campaign, privatization of the agency, and ethics education in the state. Another strategic planning initiative will be planned for the year 2000.

## Financial Data:

	Actual FY98	Approp FY99	Request FY00	Recom FY00	Request FY01	Recom FY01
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	271,534	345,726	396,555	352,411	400,255	361,121
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
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## Program 082 - Enforcement Of Standards

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### Program Objectives:

Desired Results: 1) No practice complaints; 2) No unlicensed practice; 3) No license suspensions or revocations; 4) No more staff than is necessary; 5) Maintenance of a strong law; 6) Deterrence rather than prosecution.

Strategies: 1) Maximum use of informal hearings as education; 2) Heightened awareness of a strong law; 3) Use of the newsletter and the web; 4) Increased use of office technology; 5) Continued retainage of legislative liaison.

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### Performance Measures:

Description	FY98 Actual	FY99 Current	FY00 Request	FY01 Request
Inputs: Total Expenditures	271534	345726	396555	400255
Outputs: Licensees	7642	7772	7815	7995
Efficiency: \$ per Licensee	35.53	44.48	50.74	50.06
Outcomes: Complaints	17	15	12 - 20	10 - 25
Outcomes: Suspended/Revoked	1	0	1	0
Outcomes: Informal Hearings	10	12	12 - 14	12 - 16