

IOWA ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD

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TO: ADMIN. & REGULATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
FROM: CHARLIE SMITHSON, ETHICS BOARD DIRECTOR & COUNSEL
DATE: JANUARY 31, 2007
Re: FY08 BUDGET REQUEST

This document is to clarify the FY08 budget request by the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board.

BOARD JURISDICTION:

1. Administer the campaign laws in Iowa Code chapter 68A as applied to all state and local candidate and ballot issue elections in Iowa.
2. Administer the ethics laws in Iowa Code chapter 68B as applied to the executive branch of state government.
3. Provide advice on the ethics laws in Iowa Code chapter 68B as applied to local governments.
4. Administer the lobbying laws in Iowa Code chapter 68B as applied to executive branch lobbyists and executive branch lobbyist clients.
5. Receive reports from state agencies on all gifts, bequests, and grants received by the agencies and file a summary report with the legislature concerning same under Iowa Code section 8.7.

BUDGET REQUEST:

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| 1. FY07 Total General Fund Appropriation: | \$512,669 |
| 2. FY08 Board request: | \$517,669 |

The Board's requested budget increase is for the following items:

- A. Update electronic filing systems so that the regulated community may file the following reports via the Internet: Independent Expenditure Statements, Dual Executive Branch Compensation reports, State Party Building Fund reports, State Party Income Tax Checkoff reports, and Agency Gift, Bequest, and Grant reports.
- B. Install second fax machine and fax line to assist regulated community when filing reports around the time of a due date.