

**Account Name:** Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Account No. 5064  
**Primary Agency:** Texas A&M Forest Service  
**Legal Citation:** Texas Government Code, Chapter 614, Subchapter G

**Table 1:**

Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Account No. 5064  
 Estimated Revenue and Appropriations (in Millions)

	2008-09	2010-11	2012-13
Estimated Revenue	\$30.0	\$60.0	\$60.4
Appropriations	\$30.2	\$62.2	\$27.6

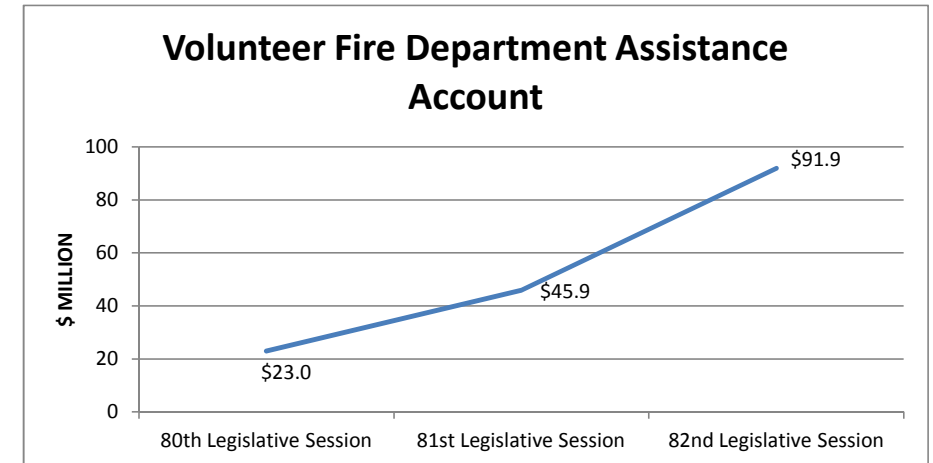
Source: Comptroller of Public Accounts

**Account Details:**

The Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Account No. 5064 is a General Revenue-Dedicated account established by the Seventy-seventh Legislature, 2001. Money deposited to the account may only be used for the administration and operation of the rural volunteer fire department assistance program, which assists volunteer fire departments in paying for equipment, training personnel, and administration. Money in the account, in an amount not to exceed \$5 million each year, may also be used for staffing and operating costs associated with the Texas A&M Forest Service's Statewide Wildfire Protection Plan.

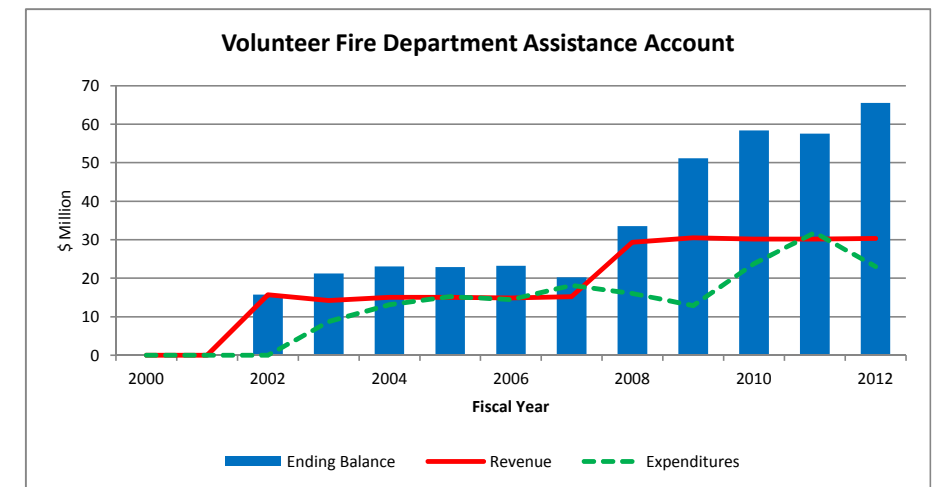
Revenue deposited to the Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Account No. 5064 comes from an assessment on insurers authorized to do business within the state. Chapter 2007, Texas Insurance Code, requires the Comptroller of Public Accounts to assess insurers for a combined total of \$30 million for each 12 month period, and to deposit those assessments to the account. The assessment amount was originally \$15 million, but was increased to \$30 million by the Eightieth Legislature in 2007. The Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Account No. 5064 may also take contributions from any other source.

**Figure 1:** Estimated Balance Available to Certify General Appropriations Bill



Source: Comptroller of Public Accounts

**Figure 2:** History of Revenue, Expenditures, and Cash Balances



Source: Comptroller of Public Accounts