

State Medical Board

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- The Board had revenues of about \$7.8 million in FY 2006

OVERVIEW

Duties and Responsibilities

The mission of the State Medical Board is to protect and enhance the health and welfare of Ohio's citizens through effective medical regulation. The Board is comprised of twelve members, plus nine members of the Physicians Assistant Policy Committee. Of the nine members of the committee, two are paid by the Pharmacy Board, two are Medical Board members, and five are appointed by the Board president. The twelve members of the Board are represented by seven medical doctors (M.D.s), one podiatrist (D.P.M.), one osteopathic physician (D.O.), and three representatives of the general public. Of these, two cannot be a member of, or associated with, a health care provider or profession. All members are appointed by the Governor and serve five-year terms. The staff of the Board is currently 87 full-time equivalents.

Chapters 4730., 4731., 4760., and 4762. of the Revised Code provide statutory authority for the Board's activities. The Board regulates about 57,000 active licensees (as of December 31, 2006), with oversight provided for M.D.s, D.O.s, D.P.M.s, and physician assistants (P.A.s). The Board also regulates acupuncturists, anesthesiologist assistants (A.A.s), mechanotherapists (D.M.s) and naprapaths licensed prior to 1992, as well as limited branch practitioners of massage therapy (L.M.T.s) and cosmetic therapy (C.T.s). The Board uses numerous methods to help identify unqualified licensees. These include registering complaints, mandatory reports, continuing education audits, probationary compliance monitoring, approval of drug and alcohol treatment providers, and approval of massage therapy and cosmetic therapy schools.

Licensing System

The Board, in partnership with the Department of Administrative Services, implemented a new web-based multi-board licensing system that went online in 2004. Each board pays its share of the costs. The State Medical Board will pay an annual fee of \$39,449 in FY 2008 and \$45,224 in FY 2009 for this system and for the computer firewall protection.

Agency in Brief

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Number of Employees*	Total Appropriations - All Funds		GRF Appropriations		Appropriation Bill(s)
	2008	2009	2008	2009	
100	\$7.88 million	\$8.23 million	\$0	\$0	Am. Sub. H.B. 119

*Employee count obtained from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) payroll reports as of June 2007.

ANALYSIS OF THE BUDGET

Single Program Series

Operating Expenses

Purpose: The State Medical Board of Ohio strives to protect and enhance the health and welfare of Ohio citizens by regulating the practice of licensed medical and limited branch practitioners.

The following table shows the line items that are used to fund the State Medical Board.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009
General Services Fund				
5C6	883-609	Operating Expenses	\$7,883,145	\$8,225,945
General Services Fund Subtotal			\$7,883,145	\$8,225,945
Total Funding: State Medical Board			\$7,883,145	\$8,225,945

Program Description: The State Medical Board governs the practice of medicine and the limited branches of medicine, as defined by Chapters 4730., 4731., 4760., and 4762. of the Revised Code, by licensing medical professionals in a variety of specialties.

Funding Source: General Services Fund Group. The activities of the Board are funded with licensure and exam fees and fines collected for violations of the rules and laws governing the practice of medicine in Ohio. The funds are deposited into the State Medical Board Operating Fund (Fund 5C6).

Implication of the Budget: The Board received \$7,883,145 in funding for FY 2008 and \$8,225,945 for FY 2009. The funding levels will support the continued issuance and renewal of licenses and certificates, provide for the probationary monitoring of licensees, support the investigation of alleged violations of statutes and rules each year, and to support the Board's educational initiatives.

Temporary and Permanent Law

State Medical Board English Proficiency Procedure (R.C. 4731.142). Authorizes the State Medical Board to adopt rules specifying an acceptable examination and establishing the minimum score on that examination that demonstrates proficiency in spoken English for foreign medical graduates wishing to receive a certificate to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery in Ohio.

State Medical Board Final Adjudicative Order (R.C. 4731.22). Increases the time in which the State Medical Board must issue a final adjudicative order regarding a summary suspension from 60 to 75 days after the completion of its hearing.

FY 2008 - 2009 Final Appropriation Amounts

All Fund Groups

<i>Line Item Detail by Agency</i>	<i>FY 2005:</i>	<i>FY 2006: Appropriations:</i>	<i>FY 2007 Adj. Appropriations:</i>	<i>FY 2008 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2007 to 2008:</i>	<i>FY 2009 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2008 to 2009:</i>
Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill		Version: Enacted					
MED State Medical Board							
5C6 883-609 Operating Expenses	\$ 7,033,883	\$ 7,207,685	\$ 7,728,146	\$ 7,883,145	2.01%	\$ 8,225,945	4.35%
General Services Fund Group Total	\$ 7,033,883	\$ 7,207,685	\$ 7,728,146	\$ 7,883,145	2.01%	\$ 8,225,945	4.35%
State Medical Board Total	\$ 7,033,883	\$ 7,207,685	\$ 7,728,146	\$ 7,883,145	2.01%	\$ 8,225,945	4.35%