

**"DISPENSING OPTICIANS BOARD" (279)**  
**2009-11 BIENNIUM - LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATION**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Dispensing Opticians Board is a nine member Board appointed by the Governor whose purpose is to protect the public from untrained and unqualified persons in the business of dispensing ophthalmic materials. Ophthalmic dispensing covers the preparation of lab orders, dispensing of spectacle lenses and eyeglasses as prescribed by a licensed physician or optometrist. The board evaluates the qualifications and supervises the examination of applicants for licensure or registry. They investigate complaints, allegations and charges of practices violating the provisions of the establishing act.

**TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET**

The total budget for the Dispensing Opticians Board is \$46,884 the first year of the biennium, and \$47,161 the second year of the biennium.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The budget is funded through receipt of fees charged by the agency, which are deposited as special revenue.

**II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES**

None

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS**

Total positions for FY 2007-2009: 1

Total positions for FY 2009-2011: 1

Increase/ (Decrease): 0

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

None.