

PHARMACY BOARD (283)
2011-13 BIENNIUM - Legislative Recommendation

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Pharmacy Board licenses, regulates, and disciplines pharmacists, interns, pharmacist technicians and businesses engaged in the practice of pharmacy.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total budget for the Pharmacy Board is \$1,420,095 for the first year and \$1,449,481 the second year of the biennium.

FUNDING SOURCE

The budget is funded by license and exam fees and penalties paid by license holders.

II) CHANGES/APPROPRIATIONS

The operations appropriation, funded by cash funds for \$1,370,095 the first year and \$1,399,481 the second year, has:

1. Continuation of \$56,250 in appropriation only (received from the DFA cash holding account in FY11) **and request of additional \$14,000 in FY12 and \$27,195 in FY13** in operating expenses for the transition of hosting responsibilities of a licensing database, the purchase of hardware (3 desktop computers, a scanner and a color printer) and software to convert records to a digital format; increased pharmacy inspector travel, increased printing and postage costs for renewal cards and increased payments to the information network of Arkansas for criminal background checks.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total positions for 2009-2011: 10

Total positions for 2011-2013: 10

Increase/ (Decrease): 0

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

1. Transfer language allowing up to \$50,000 to be transferred from the Board of Pharmacy to UAMS - College of Pharmacy to provide student loans.