

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS (268) - FY2013

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners was created by Act 144 of 1887. Act 14 of 1955(A.C.A. 17-82-101 et seq.), known as the Arkansas Dental Practice Act, governs Board operations. The Board regulates the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene, and dental assisting, by examining applicants for competency and issuing licenses to candidates meeting the requirements of the State and the Board. The Board is composed of six practicing dentists, one practicing dental hygienist, and two consumer representative; one representing senior citizens. Members are appointed by the Governor to five year terms, and officers are elected annually.

**TOTAL AUTHORIZED**

The total budget for FY2013 is \$389,456.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The Board is funded by cash funds that are collected by the Board through applications for licensure, renewal of licenses, issuance and renewal of permits, late penalties, and disciplinary fines.

**II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES**

- The **Operations** appropriation, funded by Cash Funds, provides for a Base Level appropriation of \$389,456 with no Change Levels.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS**

Total Positions for FY2013: 3

Total Positions for FY2012: 3

Increase/(Decrease): 0

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

- **EMPLOYMENT OF ATTORNEYS:** No funds can be spent on attorney services unless the Attorney General certifies the board can employ legal counsel. The Attorney General must certify the board needs legal counsel, consents to legal counsel, and determines the board re-advertises each year for legal counsel and that it has received prior review and approval by ALC/JBC annually.