

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD (274)**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2014 & 2015 - Executive Recommendation**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The State Medical Board consists of 14 members (12 physicians and 2 consumer representatives) and regulates physicians, physician assistants, doctors of osteopathy, occupational and respiratory therapists in the state. The Board also registers medical corporations.

**TOTAL BUDGET**

The total budget of the State Medical Board is \$3,523,263 the first fiscal year and \$3,481,263 the second fiscal year.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The budget is funded with cash funds received from fees charged for examinations and licensure, annual renewals, credentialing requests, issuance of certificates and permits, and requests for the Board Directory which is compiled annually.

**II) APPROPRIATIONS / CHANGES:**

The total change level request above base level is **\$94,000 in FY14 and \$52,000 in FY15**. Change level requests include:

- 1. Increase of \$50,000 in FY14 only** in capital outlay to replace a primary database and analysis server, database management software and a network server.
- 2. Increase of \$33,000 in FY14** in operating expenses for a maintenance contract for several out of warranty pieces of equipment and **\$11,000** to cover the increase in the rent of facilities expense.
- 3. Increase of \$33,000 in FY15** in operating expenses for a maintenance contract for several out of warranty pieces of equipment and **\$19,000** to cover the increase in the rent of facilities expense.

**III) POSITIONS**

Total positions for FY 2015: 41

Total positions for FY 2014: 41

Total Budgeted positions for 2013: 41

Increase/ (Decrease): 0

**SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

**1. Educational Programs:** Requires \$25 from each physician licensed by the Board to be paid by the Board to 501(c)(3) Arkansas foundations to provide for identification, treatment and monitoring of healthcare professionals who suffer from alcohol or drug abuse problems.

**2. Director Qualifications and Limitations:** Delineates qualifications and limitations of the Director.

**3. 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, determines the board re-advertises each year for legal counsel, and any amount to be paid for outside legal counsel receives prior review by ALC/JBC annually.