

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD (274)**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2019**  
**As Enacted by Act 101 of 2018**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

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

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

The total appropriation for FY2019 is 3,847,870.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The appropriations for the Board are 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) CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS (FY2019 Changes From FY2018 Authorized)**

**ST MEDICAL OPERATIONS**

This appropriation is funded by fees charged by the agency and provides for the operations of the board. The total appropriation for FY2019 is \$3,847,870, which is a reduction of \$161,805 in the Capital Outlay line item due to one-time purchases of data processing equipment occurring in FY2018 that are not reoccurring in FY2019.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS**

Total Authorized Positions FY2019: 45

Total Positions FY2018: 45

Increase / (Decrease): 0

Extra Help Positions FY2019: 2 (Total FY2018 Authorized Extra Help: 2)

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS:** Board may spend \$25 per licensed physician to a non-profit that assists healthcare professionals who suffer from alcohol or drug abuse problems.

**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 Arkansas Legislative Council/Joint Budget Committee annually.

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