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Title: EXTEND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN
OPTOMETRY
Sponsor: REINBOLD
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Department: Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development
Appropriation: Corporations, Business and Professional
Licensing
Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional
Licensing
OMB Component Number: 2360

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2015 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2015 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2015	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Personal Services							
Travel		5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Services		1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1156 Rcpt Svcs		6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8
Total	0.0	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2015) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Fiscal note analysis revised to include the Board of Examiners in Optometry summary of total revenues, expenditures and carryforward balance based on the Department's 2013 Professional Licensing Programs Annual Report.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS #2

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Analysis

HB239 extends the existing Board of Examiners in Optometry (BEO) through June 30, 2022. Adoption of the bill will continue existing activities by the board. Failure to adopt the bill will result in a one-year wind-down of the board, and the division will assume all licensing responsibility in FY2016 under AS 08.03.020.

Extension of the BEO will require travel for board members and one staff to attend two board meetings per year and for board member participation in an annual out of state professional conference (\$5.7). Service costs include conference registrations (\$1.0) and advertising of board meetings (\$0.1). These estimated costs are based on the average board specific direct charges to this program over the previous biennium licensing cycle.

If the BEO is not extended, Optometry licensing will continue under the direction of the division, rather than the board. Costs associated with licensing the profession will continue to be incurred by the division including license examiners, investigations, legal, supplies, and allocated administrative support services. These on-going licensing costs are not reflected in this fiscal note because their incurrence is not impacted by the legislation.

Below is a summary of the BOE's revenues, expenditures, and carry forward balance:

FY12-FY13 Biennium Data:

Board's revenues: \$74,540

Board's expenditures: \$94,478

Biennium Surplus/(Deficit): (\$19,938)

Ending Cumulative Surplus/(Deficit): (\$44,755)

FY08-FY11 Data

In each biennium between FY08 and FY11, regulatory costs for the board exceeded revenue. The deficit for the FY08-FY09 biennium was \$24,503 and the FY10-FY11 deficit was \$42,585. There were 160 licensees and 170 licensees during the FY08-FY09 biennium and FY10-FY11 biennium, respectively. Fees have not been set to be consistent with statute language regarding cost recovery.