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APPENDIX C
COMPARISON OF LICENSE FEES BY OCCUPATION OR PROGRAM

The following list shows the annual license renewal fee for each occupational licensing profession. With the exception of occupations regulated by the Big Game Commercial Services Board or persons involved in charitable gaming, all professions have now been converted to a biennial renewal schedule, meaning that applicants for renewal will actually pay twice the fee shown to renew a two-year license.

Acupuncturist	\$200*
Advanced Nurse Practitioner	45 + 12.50
AELS Corporation	200
Architects, Engineer and Land Surveyor	50
Audiologist	30
Barbers and Hairdressers	50
Business License	25
Chiropractor	50
Clinical Social Worker	150
Collection Agency	50
Concert Promoter	30
Construction Contractor	90
Cosmetologist	15
Dental Hygienist	50
Dentist	90
Dispensing Optician	50
Electrical Administrator	125
Funeral Director/Embalmer	30
Games of Chance and Skill (annual)	
Permittee	20 - 100+
Operator	500
Distributor	1,000
Manufacturer (in-state)	500
Geologist (one time fee)	20
Guide/Outfitter: Assistant and Class A (annual)	100
Guide/Outfitter (annual)	200
Hearing Aid Dealer	30
Marine Pilot	90
Marine Vessel Agent	30
Mechanical Administrator	125
Naturopath	50
Nursing	45
Nursing Home Administrator	30
Occupational Therapist	50
Optometrist	50
Paramedic	25
Pharmacist	90
Physical Therapist	50
Physician	200
Physician Assistant	25
Psychological Associate	50
Psychologist	50
Public Accountant	90
Public Accounting Corporation	50
Real Estate Appraiser	150*
Real Estate Broker/Salesman	62.50
Registered Nurse Anesthetist	45 + 12.50
Transporter (annual)	150*
Veterinarian	50
Veterinary Technician	30*

*Final adoption pending.

Division of Occupational Licensing

FY 92 PROPOSED BUDGET
PORTION FUNDED BY GF/PROGRAM RECEIPTS

Licensing Area	FY 92 LICENSEES	FY 92 GF/ PR BUDGET	FY 92 REVENUE	AVERAGE REVENUE
<u>Acupuncture</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3,877*</u>	<u>830*</u>	<u>630*</u>
<u>AEELS</u>	<u>4506</u>	<u>261,175</u>	<u>540,170</u>	<u>304,820</u>
<u>Athletic Commission</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>6,034</u>	<u>490</u>	<u>490</u>
<u>Audiology</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>5,969</u>	<u>410</u>	<u>1,580</u>
<u>Barbers/Hairdressers</u>	<u>3,379</u>	<u>180,196</u>	<u>279,815</u>	<u>165,230</u>
<u>Chiropractors</u>	<u>142</u>	<u>29,131</u>	<u>1,090</u>	<u>7,890</u>
<u>Clinical Social Wkrs</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>20,241</u>	<u>25,430</u>	<u>19,250</u>
<u>Collection Agencies</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>13,380</u>	<u>5,280</u>	<u>4,650</u>
<u>Concert Promoters</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>4,762</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>480</u>
<u>Contractors</u>	<u>3,184</u>	<u>217,112</u>	<u>300,840</u>	<u>373,290</u>
<u>Dental</u>	<u>921</u>	<u>81,644</u>	<u>41,490</u>	<u>65,985</u>
<u>Data Bank</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,435</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Dispensing Opticians</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>20,186</u>	<u>4,920</u>	<u>5,860</u>
<u>Electrical Admin.</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>41,713</u>	<u>142,480</u>	<u>76,355</u>
<u>Geology</u>	<u>242</u>	<u>11,535</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>720</u>
<u>Guide-Outfitters</u>	<u>1,785</u>	<u>228,956</u>	<u>166,750</u>	<u>273,450</u>
<u>Marine Pilots</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>44,690</u>	<u>2,220</u>	<u>11,310</u>
<u>Mechanical Admin.</u>	<u>477</u>	<u>36,309</u>	<u>118,600</u>	<u>63,100</u>
<u>Medical</u>	<u>1,561</u>	<u>212,879</u>	<u>81,300</u>	<u>325,575</u>
<u>Mortuary Science</u>	<u>135</u>	<u>9,553</u>	<u>2,470</u>	<u>5,680</u>
<u>Naturopathy</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>4,762</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>665</u>
<u>Nursing</u>	<u>6,169</u>	<u>385,378</u>	<u>116,020</u>	<u>352,440</u>
<u>Nursing Home Admin.</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>8,099</u>	<u>1,110</u>	<u>2,970</u>
<u>Optometry</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>14,678</u>	<u>900</u>	<u>5,830</u>
<u>Pharmacy</u>	<u>489</u>	<u>50,127</u>	<u>63,279</u>	<u>49,275</u>
<u>PT/OT</u>	<u>381</u>	<u>32,070</u>	<u>17,769</u>	<u>14,920</u>
<u>Psychology</u>	<u>156</u>	<u>25,491</u>	<u>9,840</u>	<u>11,910</u>
<u>Public Accountancy</u>	<u>845</u>	<u>67,981</u>	<u>138,010</u>	<u>83,740</u>
<u>RE Appraisers</u>	<u>200*</u>	<u>46,749*</u>	<u>60,000*</u>	<u>45,000*</u>
<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>2,804</u>	<u>164,990**</u>	<u>404,625</u>	<u>278,268</u>
<u>Veterinary</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>27,816</u>	<u>2,780</u>	<u>11,680</u>
TOTAL:	28,823	\$ 2,265,918	\$2,531,018	\$ 2,563,043

* = New program.

** = Actual FY 92 Real Estate budget is \$312,290. This amount was reduced by \$147,300 which is funded by real estate Surety Funds; for a GF/PR obligation of \$164,990.

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CATEGORY	TOTAL	MEDICAL
NUMBER OF LICENSEES	29,108	1,561
PERCENT OF LICENSEES	100%	5.36%
PERSONAL SERVICES		
Administrative	982,185	52,672
Direct Support	266,763	60,475
# of Licensing Examiners	12.5	75%
Examiner Pay/Benefits	530,072	31,804
# of Investigator	7.5	100%
Investigator Pay/Benefits	447,633	49,737
% of Hearing Examiner	100%	5.93%
Hearing Examiners w/o RE	85,173	5,055
Real Estate Hearing Examiner	42,435	
SUB TOTAL	2,312,778	199,743
TRAVEL/PER DIEM		
Administrative	60,400	3,239
Board Meetings	227,184	18,000
SUB TOTAL	287,584	21,239
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES - ADMINISTRATIVE		
Professional Services	136,168	7,302
Communications	155,530	8,341
Transportation	10,000	536
Advertising/Printing	128,300	6,880
Repairs/Maintenance	30,700	1,546
Rental	46,900	2,515
Other (Memberships)	37,700	2,022
SUB TOTAL	545,298	29,243
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES - DESIGNATED		
Professional Services	0	
Communications	0	
Transportation	0	
Advertising/Printing	0	
Repairs/Maintenance	0	
Rental	0	
Other (Memberships)	0	
SUB TOTAL	15,402	0
CONTRACTUAL TOTAL	560,700	29,243
SUPPLIES		
Administrative	45,747	2,453
Designated	4,753	
SUB TOTAL	50,500	2,453
LABOR		
Administrative	6,253	335
Designated	2,847	
SUB TOTAL	9,100	335
TOTAL BUDGET - COLUMNS 3, 220, 662		
		253,014

HB 165: "An Act extending the Board of Nursing in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development; and providing for an effective date."

The Board of Nursing is responsible for the regulation and licensing of the nursing profession in the state. Under AS 08.03.010(c)(1), the Board of Nursing is currently scheduled to terminate on June 30, 1991. HB 165 will extend the termination date of the board to June 30, 1995.

There are approximately 6,169 nurses licensed in Alaska. The department concurs with the findings documented in the performance audit conducted by the Division of Legislative Audit; in particular, that the board is necessary to protect the public's health, safety, and welfare, therefore, the board should be reestablished.

The department strongly supports continuation of the Board of Nursing and requests favorable support in passage of HB 165.

Glenn A. Olds

Glenn A. Olds, Commissioner

Date: 4-18-91

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HB 159

THE FOLLOWING WAS PUBLISHED FEBRUARY 25, 1991:

ZERO FISCAL NOTE, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

THE GOVERNOR'S TRANSMITTAL LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 25, 1991,
APPEARS BELOW:

"DEAR SPEAKER GRUSSENDORF:

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF ART. III, SEC. 18, OF THE ALASKA
CONSTITUTION, I AM HEREBY TRANSMITTING SEVEN BILLS TO EXTEND
THE "SUNSET" DATE FOR CERTAIN OCCUPATIONAL BOARDS OR
COMMISSIONS IN THE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

UNDER AS 08.03.010(C), THE EXISTENCE OF THE FOLLOWING BOARDS
OR COMMISSIONS WOULD TERMINATE ON JUNE 30, 1991:

BOARD OF NURSING
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST AND PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATE
EXAMINERS
STATE MEDICAL BOARD
BOARD OF MARINE PILOTS
REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS

I BELIEVE THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF EACH OF THESE BOARDS OR
COMMISSIONS IS IMPORTANT FOR THE PUBLIC'S WELFARE, SAFETY,
OR HEALTH. ACCORDINGLY, I RECOMMEND THAT EACH OF THEM BE
EXTENDED FOR FOUR YEARS TO JUNE 30, 1995. THE ACCOMPANYING
SEVEN BILLS WOULD ACCOMPLISH THAT EXTENSION FOR ALL OF THE
ABOVE-NAMED BOARDS.

I URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR EACH OF THESE BILLS.

SINCERELY,

/S/

WALTER J. HICKEL
GOVERNOR"

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred: February 25, 1991

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Labor and Commerce
Finance

Date of Committee Action: 4-22-91

The HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES Committee considered:

HB 161

HOUSE BILL NO. 161

EXTEND STATE MEDICAL BOARD

"An Act extending the State Medical Board in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

be replaced with _____ the same title
 a new title

have attached amendments(s)

do pass

do not pass

no recommendations

individual recommendations

additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): _____ (Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS: _____ (Dept/Date)

fiscal impact _____

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note DEED

zero fiscal note(s) _____

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FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. HB 161

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Commerce & Economic Dev.
 Title: Extending the State Medical BRU: Occupational Licensing
 Board.... _____ Component: Administration
 Sponsor: Rules Committee
 Requestor: Governor COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Funding for the State Medical Board is included in the department's FY 92 operating budget request and, therefore, new funds are not required.

Prepared By: Jennifer Strickler, Admin. Officer Phone: 465-214
 Division: Occupational Licensing Date: 4-17-91
 Approved by Commissioner: Glenn A. Olds
 Agency: Commerce and Economic Development Date: 4-18-91

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REVISION DATE: 1/15/91

MEDICAL BOARD

MEMBER	APPT	REAPT	REAPPT	TERM
Ray Bailey 1726 Chena Pump Road Fairbanks 99709 Public	89/01/12	0/00/00	0/00/00	92/08/13
Abigale R Hensley 7045 Tree Top Circle Anchorage 99516 Public	86/02/10	88/12/28	0/00/00	93/01/09
Joan Jelinek 2111 Cowles Street, Suite 1 Fairbanks 99701 Physician	89/01/12	0/00/00	0/00/00	92/11/06
Michael H Newman 4048 Laurel Street, #106 Anchorage 99508 Physician	88/07/18	0/00/00	0/00/00	92/07/08
Patrick M Nolan 3300 Providence Drive #206 Anchorage 99508 Physician	88/04/22	0/00/00	0/00/00	92/04/21
Raymond Shields 3289 Tongass Avenue Ketchikan 99901 Physician	90/04/22	0/00/00	0/00/00	94/04/21
James W Thompson 890 Mendenhall Peninsula Road Juneau 99801 Physician Chair	87/02/26	88/01/21	0/00/00	92/01/12

Members - State Medical Board

BOARD: MEDICAL BOARD, STATE

BOARD IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 61

TITLE: State Medical Board

DEPT: Department of Commerce and Economic Development

AUTHORITY: AS 08.64.010

STATUS: June 30, 1991

REQUIREMENTS: LEGISLATIVE CONFIRMATION

PROHIBITIONS: Cannot serve more than all or part of two consecutive terms.

TERM: 4 years

DESCRIPTION: 7 members appointed by Governor: 5 licensed physicians residing in as many separate Alaska judicial districts as possible; 2 public members with no direct financial interest in the health care industry.

SPECIAL FACTS: Quorum - 4 members; serve at the pleasure of the Governor (AS 08.01.020). Staffed with an executive secretary located in Anchorage. Members serve until a successor is appointed. An appointment to fill a vacancy is for the remainder of the unexpired term. A member who has served all or part of two successive terms may not be reappointed unless four years have elapsed since the person has last served.

FUNCTION: Prescribes and establishes rules/regulations to carry into effect provisions of chapter.

COMPENSATION: Standard travel/per diem.

MEETINGS: 4 times per year.

*FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Licensing Examiner, Division of Occupational Licensing, Dept. of Commerce and Economic Development, Box D, Juneau, AK 99811 PHONE: 465-2541 (Revised 1/14/91)

Audit Report

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
STATE MEDICAL BOARD

October 15, 1990



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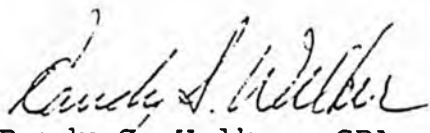
October 15, 1990

Members of the Legislative Budget
and Audit Committee:

According to the provisions of Titles 24 and 44 of the Alaska Statutes, the Division of Legislative Audit is required to conduct a "Sunset" review of the State Medical Board.

At the request of the Chairman, during Fiscal Year 1988 budget deliberations, the Finance and Audit Divisions' budgets were revised to reflect certain changes in the organizations of the Committee's two Divisions. The revised budget of the Audit Division reflected efficiencies that might be obtained by utilizing the staff of the Legislative Finance Division on selected audit assignments during the interim.

As a result, the audit of the State Medical Board was conducted and this report has been prepared by the Legislative Finance Division. We feel this report discharges our responsibility under Titles 24 and 44. The report is submitted for your review.


Randy S. Welker, CPA
Legislative Auditor
Division of Legislative Audit

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October 15, 1990

Members of the Legislative Budget
and Audit Committee:

In accordance with the provisions of Titles 24 and 44 of the Alaska Statutes (sunset legislation), the attached report is submitted for your review.

A REPORT ON THE
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
STATE MEDICAL BOARD
October 15, 1990

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Mike Greany, Director
Division of Legislative Finance

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PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE REPORT

Purpose

In accordance with the intent of Titles 24 and 44 of the Alaska Statutes (sunset legislation), we have reviewed the activities of the State Medical Board to determine if the Board has been operating in an efficient and effective manner.

Legislative intent requires consideration of this report during legislative oversight hearings to determine whether the Board should be reestablished. The law now specifies that the Board will terminate June 30, 1991, and have one year from that date to conclude its affairs.

Scope

The major areas of our examination were the licensing, examination, administration, complaint, and investigation functions of the Board. We reviewed and performed the following:

1. Applicable statutes and regulations.
2. Tests of files and documents of licensees.
3. Interviews with the staff of the Board.
4. Complaints filed with the Division of Occupational Licensing, Human Rights Commission, Equal Employment Opportunity Office, the Ombudsman's Office, and the Department of Law.
5. Discussions with Board members.
6. Minutes of Board meetings and Division correspondence files.
7. Attorney General's Opinions applicable to professional boards.

ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTION

The State Medical Board is a regulatory Board established under AS 08.64, consisting of five physicians residing in as many separate geographical areas of the state as possible, and two public members with no direct financial interest in the health care industry.

The function of the Board is to determine that minimum quality of medical care by:

1. Examining and issuing licenses to qualified applicants.
2. Establishing or amending rules and regulations necessary and desirable to enforce the statutes of the State.
3. Holding hearings in order to revoke, probate, or suspend the license of a person violating the medical statutes and regulations.

The Board regulates the following groups engaged in medical practice in Alaska: physicians, osteopaths, physician assistants (PAs), podiatrists, and paramedics. Most licensing requirements are established by statute. However, statutes have granted power to waive some requirements in favor of conditions concerning special licenses - those by endorsement, those for temporary licensure up to 6 months or until the Board meets to consider the application, whichever occurs first, and a temporary locum tenens permit which is valid for 120 consecutive days not to exceed 240 days during any consecutive 24 months, to name a few.

An applicant for registration as a medical practitioner must have passed an examination given by the National Board of Medical Examiners or the Federation of State Medical Boards. An oral interview is also administered by a member of the Board. Foreign medical graduates who graduated from medical colleges not accredited by the American Medical Association or one of its agencies must be certified by the Educational Council of Foreign Medical Graduates or be licensed by examination in another state or territory of the United States or a province in Canada.

REPORT CONCLUSION

Policy Issues

This report does not contain any policy issues raised as a result of our evaluation of Board practices. Any policy decisions affecting these practices would not be within the scope of this report but requires legislative consideration. In debating these issues, the oversight committees would take into consideration the information presented in this report so the potential impact of policy changes can be evaluated.

Report Conclusion

In our opinion, the State Medical Board should be reestablished. The regulation and licensing of qualified professionals is necessary to protect the public's health, safety, and welfare. The Board provides this service by establishing minimum educational and experience requirements that provide reasonable assurance that persons licensed are qualified. Also, assurances that those licensed act in a competent manner is provided by active investigation of complaints and revocation or suspension of licenses when appropriate.

Current statutes, AS 08.03.010, specify that the sunset review period for the State Medical Board shall be four years.

Based upon the State Medical Board performance for the past four reviews, from 1978 to 1990, it is recommended that the review interval be extended from 4 to 8 years. The next statutory termination date subject to sunset review would be June 30, 1999.

The State Medical Board has consistently been found to satisfy a public purpose and has demonstrated its ability to conduct its business in a satisfactory manner.

The last two sunset reviews included no recommendations. In prior sunset reviews, deficiencies found have been relatively minor, and for the most part, "housekeeping" in nature.

The State Medical Board statutes, regulations, policies, and procedures are current. The Board's business is generally viewed as conducted in a professional, competent, and efficient manner.

The Board's membership has been dedicated and responsible to its mission; its representation has been well balanced in serving its purpose.

ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC NEED

Limited Analysis

The following analyses indicate both positive and negative factors as they relate to the public need as defined in the "sunset" law. These analyses are not intended to be comprehensive, but to address those areas pertinent to our review.

- I. The extent to which the board, commission, or program has operated in the public interest.
 - A. The Board has served the public by examining and licensing qualified applicants and proposing changes in regulations that are necessary to enforce State statutes and enhances quality of Medical care to Alaskans.
 - B. The Board has held four board meetings per year during the past two fiscal years.
 - C. The Board has instituted an impaired physician program for physicians addicted to alcohol, drugs, or narcotics.
- II. The extent to which the operation of the board, commission, or agency program has been impeded or enhanced by existing statutes, procedures, and practices which it has adopted, and any other matter, including budgetary, resource, and personnel matters.
 - A. The Board received legal assistance from the Attorney General's office.
 - B. The Board received assistance in drafting legislation and regulatory changes from the Division of Occupational Licensing.
- III. The extent to which the board, commission, or agency has recommended statutory changes which are generally of benefit to the public interest.
 - A. The Board has recommended legislation (HB 146) that would increase the effectiveness of the Board in performance of its duties relating to : (1) licensing and permitting medical professionals; (2) reviewing the malpractice claims histories of physicians licensed in Alaska; and (3) creating a retired status license for physicians retired from active practice.

- IV. The extent to which the board, commission, or agency has encouraged interested persons to report to it concerning the effect of its regulations and decisions on the effectiveness of service, economy of service, and availability of service which it has provided.
- A. The public is informed of meeting and examination dates and regulation changes by notices in major newspapers throughout the State.
 - B. Minutes of Board meetings include "guest" names of Medical Association representatives, applicants, and support staff in attendance.
- V. The extent to which the board, commission, or agency has encouraged public participation in the making of its regulations and decisions.
- A. The public is invited by notices in major newspapers throughout the state to give input about Board business and proposed regulations.
- VI. The efficiency with which public inquiries or complaints regarding the activities of the board, commission, or agency filed with it, with the department to which a board or commission is administratively assigned, or with the Office of the Ombudsman have been processed and resolved.
- A. The Board processes and addressed complaints in an effective and timely manner.
- VII. The extent to which a board or commission which regulated entry into an occupation or profession has presented qualified applicants to serve the public.
- A. The Board, as of July 10, 1990 regulated 1292 physicians, 157 physician assistants, and 111 paramedics.
 - B. The Board provides for licensing by endorsing (credentialing) physicians from other states.
 - C. The Board requires continuing medical education of physicians, physician assistants, and paramedics.
- VIII. The extent to which state personnel practices, including affirmative action requirements, have been complied with by the board, commission, or agency to its own activities and the area of activity or interest.
- A. The Human Rights Commission and the Equal Employment Opportunity Office have received no complaints related to the Board's activities.

IX. The extent to which statutory, regulatory, budgeting, or other changes are necessary to enable the agency, board, or commission to better serve the interests of the public and to comply with the factors enumerated in this subsection.

- A. The Board has complied with the criteria enumerated in this subsection. We found no instance where changes are necessary to enable the Board to better serve the interests of the public.

APPENDIX

APPENDIX A

STATE MEDICAL BOARD
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES COMPARED WITH EXPENDITURES
For Fiscal Year 1990
(Unaudited)
(Note 1)

Revenues (Note 2)		\$286,970
Expenditures (Note 3)		
Personal Services	\$185,466	
Travel	17,931	
Contractual	29,841	
Supplies	3,268	
Equipment	<u>8,925</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>245,431</u>
Revenues Compared to Expenditures		<u>\$ 41,539</u>

Note 1

The Schedule of Revenues Compared with Expenditures was prepared by the Division of Occupational Licensing personnel. The records were not audited by us and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the Board's Schedule of Revenues Compared with Expenditures.

Note 2

A significant portion of revenues is composed of license renewal fees. Licenses are renewed biennially. Because of the renewals, revenues vary substantially every year. Therefore, we combined revenues collected in fiscal year 1989 and 1990, and calculated an average in order to obtain a representative amount of annualized revenues collected.

Note 3

This amount does not include expenditures for efforts of other departments assisting the Board.

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December 4, 1990

Mr. Randy S. Welker
Legislative Auditor
Audit Division
Legislative Budget and
Audit Committee
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Dear Mr. Welker:

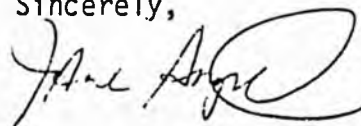
This letter is written in combined response to the preliminary audit reports on the State Medical Board, the Board of Nursing, the Board of Psychologist and Psychological Associate Examiners, and the Real Estate Commission.

The Department of Commerce and Economic Development is pleased that the audit reports found that the business of these three boards and one commission has been "conducted in a professional, competent, and efficient manner," and that the Audit Division is recommending that the sunset performance "review interval be extended from 4 to 8 years."

Given that the department itself also believes that these boards have consistently satisfied the public purposes for which they were created and have demonstrated their ability to competently and with care conduct their business, the department not only concurs in but wholeheartedly endorses the Audit Division's recommendation that these four agencies be continued until June 30, 1999.

Both the boards and the department take great pride in the audit reports' findings and recommendations.

Sincerely,



Jane Angvik
Commissioner

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cc: Randall Burns, Director, Division of Occupational Licensing



Alaska State Legislature
House of Representatives
 COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION
 AND SOCIAL SERVICES

DATE: April 22, 1991

PLACE: Capitol Room 106

SUBJECT OF MEETING:
WITNESS REGISTER FOR:
 *HB 156 Confidentiality/Dom. Vio. Counsel.
 *HB 269 Private Health Care Review Agents
 *HB 165 Extend Board of Nursing
 *HB 161 Extend State medical Board

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<i>Ann Boudreau</i>		<i>see HB 269 sheet</i>				Y	N	
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