

SOCIAL WORK LICENSING BOARD

Enabling Laws

Act 140 of 2012
A.C.A. §17-103-201

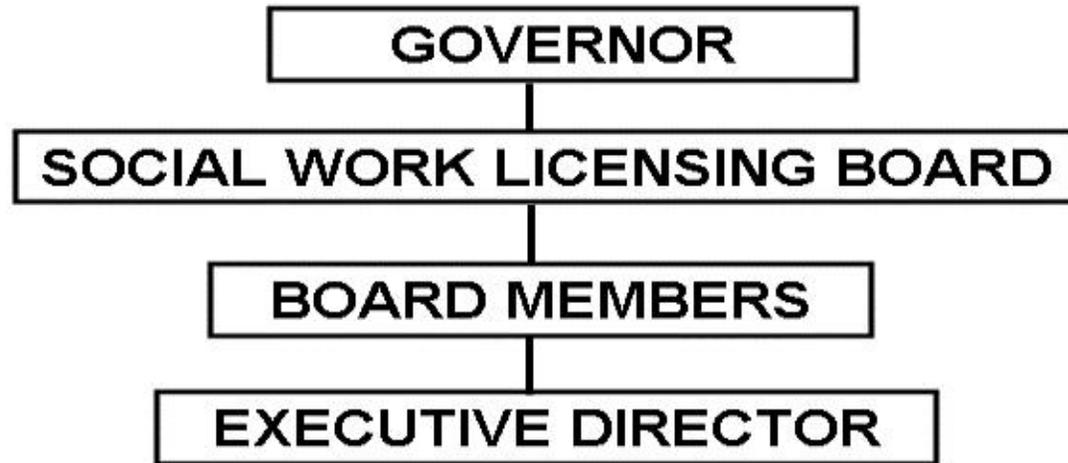
History and Organization

Act 791 of 1981 created the Social Work Licensing Board and dissolved the Board of Social Work Registration. All records and equipment were transferred from the Board of Social Work Registration to the Social Work Licensing Board. The Social Work Licensing Board, which became fully operational in 1982, is funded solely by the collection of fees.

Act 760 of 1987 made state employees with job classifications of Family Service Worker and Social Service Worker exempt from licensure. Act 40 of 1989 increased fees for the operation of the Social Work Licensing Board. Act 1317 of 1997 mandated state and national criminal background checks for all new applicants for social work licensure and all currently licensed social workers. Act 1481 of 2001 increased fees for the Social Work Licensing Board, Act 1274 of 2003 requires Licensed Certified Social Workers in the private/independent practice of social work to display their licenses, and Act 281 of 2005 extended the provisional license for social workers to one year. Act 297 of 2009 made state employees with job classification of Adult Protective Services Worker exempt from licensure.

In February 2000, the Board's web site became operational as a means of communication to the public and to the 2,882 currently licensed social workers. The Board has nine members and one full-time employee.

The mission of the Social Work Licensing Board is to protect the public by setting standards of qualification, training and experience for those who seek to represent themselves to the public as social workers and by promoting high standards of professional performance for those engaged in the practice of social work.



Agency Commentary

The Social Work Licensing Board is responsible for issuing licenses and regulating the practice of social work. Funding for this appropriation is from special revenues derived by the collection of application and license renewal fees.

The Agency is requesting Base Level for the 2013-2015 biennium.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT
 AUDIT OF :
 ARKANSAS SOCIAL WORK LICENSING BOARD
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Findings

Recommendations

None

None

State Contracts Over \$25,000 Awarded To Minority Owned Businesses Fiscal Year 2012

None

Employment Summary

	Male	Female	Total	%
White Employees	0	1	1	100 %
Black Employees	0	0	0	0 %
Other Racial Minorities	0	0	0	0 %
Total Minorities			0	0 %
Total Employees			1	100 %

Publications

A.C.A. 25-1-204

Name	Statutory Authorization	Required for		# of Copies	Reason(s) for Continued Publication and Distribution
		Governor	General Assembly		
Annual Report	ACA 17-103-203(6)	N	N	4	Required by Law for Public Use
Board Meeting Minutes	ACA 25-1-204	N	N	4	Required by Regulations for Public Use
Financial Report	ACA 17-103-203(8)	N	N	4	Required by Law for Public Use.

Agency Position Usage Report

FY2010 - 2011						FY2011 - 2012						FY2012 - 2013					
Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused
	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total			Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total			Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	
1	1	0	1	0	0.00 %	1	1	0	1	0	0.00 %	1	1	0	1	0	0.00 %

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 2KZ - Social Work Licensing

Funding Sources: SSW - Social Work Licensing Fund

The Social Work Licensing Board is responsible for administration of the Social Work Licensing Act (A.C.A. §17-103-201 et seq.), which requires individuals who practice social work or represent themselves to the public as social workers to be licensed. The operations of the Social Work Licensing Board are funded from special revenues derived by the collection of application and license renewal fees authorized by A.C.A. §17-103-205.

Base Level Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching includes Career Service payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching also includes a \$20 increase in the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$410 per month. Base Level salaries and matching do not include appropriation for a Cost of Living Adjustment or Merit Pay Increases. The Base Level request for Regular Salaries includes board member stipend payments.

The Agency requests Base Level for the 2013-2015 biennium.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

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Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item	Historical Data			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation		
	2011-2012 Actual	2012-2013 Budget	2012-2013 Authorized	2013-2014			2014-2015		
				Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries 5010000	53,125	53,888	55,113	53,888	53,888	53,888	53,888	53,888	53,888
#Positions	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Extra Help 5010001	0	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
#Extra Help	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Personal Services Matching 5010003	15,199	16,163	15,650	16,437	16,437	16,437	16,437	16,437	16,437
Operating Expenses 5020002	30,205	46,775	46,775	46,775	46,775	46,775	46,775	46,775	46,775
Conference & Travel Expenses 5050009	2,227	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Professional Fees 5060010	3,982	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Data Processing 5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refunds/Reimbursements 5110014	0	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
Capital Outlay 5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	104,738	166,326	167,038	166,600	166,600	166,600	166,600	166,600	166,600
Funding Sources									
Fund Balance 4000005	457,681	478,253		446,927	446,927	446,927	410,327	410,327	410,327
Special Revenue 4000030	125,310	135,000		130,000	130,000	130,000	135,000	135,000	135,000
Total Funding	582,991	613,253		576,927	576,927	576,927	545,327	545,327	545,327
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)	(478,253)	(446,927)		(410,327)	(410,327)	(410,327)	(378,727)	(378,727)	(378,727)
Grand Total	104,738	166,326		166,600	166,600	166,600	166,600	166,600	166,600

FY13 Budget amount in Personal Services Matching exceeds the authorized amount due to salary and matching rate adjustments during the 2011-2013 biennium.