

# STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

## Enabling Laws

Act 73 of 2016  
A.C.A. §17-82-201

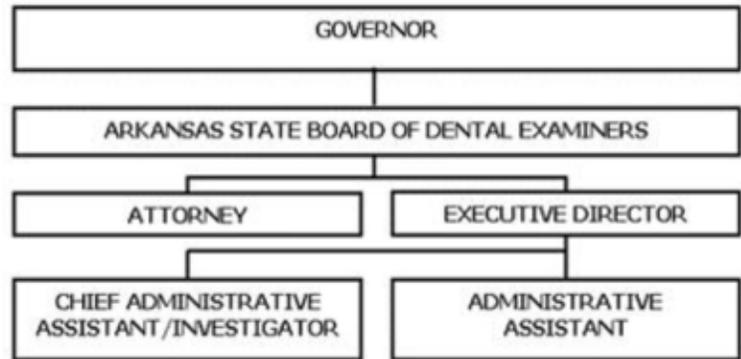
## History and Organization

The Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners was created by Act 144 of 1887 and has been in continuous existence for 123 years. Act 14 of 1955, known as the Dental Practice Act, governs Board operations. The Board regulates the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene, and dental assisting, by examining applicants for competency and issuing licenses to candidates meeting the requirements of the state and the Board.

The Board is also vested with the power to revoke or suspend the privilege of practicing professionally under any license or permit issued by it; it may place a licensee or permittee on probation, may impose a fine, or a combination of these sanctions; it has the authority to promulgate Rules and Regulations governing the practice of dentistry; it may conduct disciplinary hearings under the Administrative Procedures Act.

The Board is composed of six practicing dentists, one practicing dental hygienist, and two consumer representatives; one represents the senior citizens of the state. Members are appointed by the Governor for five year terms; officers are elected annually. The Board meets six or more times a year and conducts disciplinary hearings in conjunction with those meetings.

The Board employs an executive director and two other employees. The Board participates in the Southern Regional Testing Agency with five other states; this agency administers clinical examinations to dentists and dental hygienists. The board members who are dentists and the dental hygienist board member participate with other professional examiners at more than sixteen examinations each year. The Board also holds individual examinations for applicants in the dental specialty fields. More than 8,090 individuals hold a current license or permit issued by the Board of Dental Examiners.



**Agency Commentary**

The Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners was established by the Legislature in 1887 to aid and protect the citizens of Arkansas. The Board is entirely self-supporting. Application fees, renewal fees, permit fees, disciplinary fines and penalties fund the work of the Board.

The Board is not requesting any additional budget changes and feels confident that we can work within our current operating budget.

**Audit Findings**

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT  
 AUDIT OF :  
 ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

Findings	Recommendations
None	None

## State Contracts Over \$50,000 Awarded To Minority Owned Businesses Fiscal Year 2016

None

### Employment Summary

	Male	Female	Total	%
White Employees	0	1	1	33 %
Black Employees	0	2	2	67 %
Other Racial Minorities	0	0	0	0 %
Total Minorities			2	67 %
Total Employees			3	100 %

### Cash Fund Balance Description as of June 30, 2016

Fund Account	Balance	Type	Location
3120000	\$1,749,699	Checking, Money Market, CD and Treasury-Payroll Paying	Pulaski, Simmons, Twin City, Metropolitan Bank, and State Treasury

Statutory/Other Restrictions on use:

A.C.A. 17-82-211 Provides for the Agency to collect fines and penalties and for the Agency Treasurer to disperse as necessary.

Statutory Provisions for Fees, Fines, Penalties:

A.C.A. 17-82-100 et seq., A.C.A. 17-82-201 et seq., A.C.A. 17-82-301 et seq., 17-82-501 et seq.

Revenue Receipts Cycle:

(January 1) Odd numbered years-Biennial review of dental and hygiene licenses, corporation registry, anesthesia permits. (January 1) Even numbered years-Biennial renewal of dental assistants permits.

Fund Balance Utilization:

To pay all expenses of board operations including board meetings, disciplinary hearings, complaint investigations, staff training, board member examiners training and office operations.

**Publications**

**A.C.A. 25-1-201 et seq.**

Name	Statutory Authorization	Required for		# of Copies	Reason(s) for Continued Publication and Distribution	Unbound Black & White Copies Produced During the Last Two Years	Cost of Unbound Copies Produced During the Last Two Years
		Governor	General Assembly				
None	N/A	N	N	0	N/A	0	0.00

**Agency Position Usage Report**

FY2014 - 2015						FY2015 - 2016						FY2016 - 2017					
Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted Total	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted Total	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted Total	% of Authorized Unused
	Filled	Unfilled	Total				Filled	Unfilled	Total				Filled	Unfilled	Total		
3	3	0	3	0	0.00 %	3	3	0	3	0	0.00 %	3	3	0	3	0	0.00 %

## **Analysis of Budget Request**

**Appropriation:** A41 - Cash Operations

**Funding Sources:** 312 - Dental Examiners Cash

The State Board of Dental Examiners is funded from the receipt of fees charged by the Board, as authorized by Arkansas Code Annotated § 17-82-310.

Base Level Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching include the continuation of the previously authorized 2017 Salaries and Career Service Payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching includes the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$420 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 Board is requesting Base Level of \$507,049 for the 2017-2019 Biennium.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

## Appropriation Summary

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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		
		2015-2016 Actual	2016-2017 Budget	2016-2017 Authorized	2017-2018			2018-2019		
					Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries	5010000	181,089	179,263	172,486	179,863	179,863	179,863	179,863	179,863	179,863
<b>#Positions</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
Personal Services Matching	5010003	53,533	52,217	51,949	53,257	53,257	53,257	53,257	53,257	53,257
Operating Expenses	5020002	174,810	214,637	214,637	214,637	214,637	214,637	214,637	214,637	214,637
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	2,070	7,166	7,166	7,166	7,166	7,166	7,166	7,166	7,166
Professional Fees	5060010	0	42,126	42,126	42,126	42,126	42,126	42,126	42,126	42,126
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refunds/Reimbursements	5110014	0	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>411,502</b>	<b>505,409</b>	<b>498,364</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>
<b>Funding Sources</b>										
Fund Balance	4000005	1,375,226	1,749,699		2,044,290	2,044,290	2,044,290	2,337,241	2,337,241	2,337,241
Cash Fund	4000045	785,975	800,000		800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000
<b>Total Funding</b>		<b>2,161,201</b>	<b>2,549,699</b>		<b>2,844,290</b>	<b>2,844,290</b>	<b>2,844,290</b>	<b>3,137,241</b>	<b>3,137,241</b>	<b>3,137,241</b>
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(1,749,699)	(2,044,290)		(2,337,241)	(2,337,241)	(2,337,241)	(2,630,192)	(2,630,192)	(2,630,192)
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>411,502</b>	<b>505,409</b>		<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>	<b>507,049</b>

FY17 Budget amount in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching exceeds the authorized amount due to salary and matching rate adjustments during the 2015-2017 Biennium.