

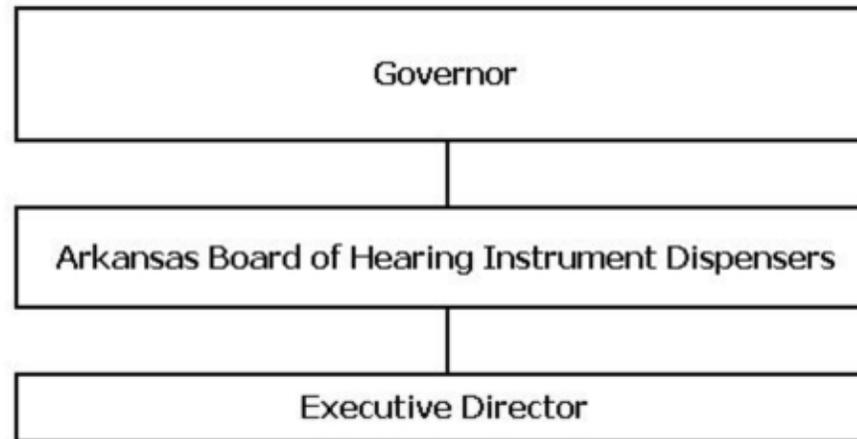
# AR BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS

## Enabling Laws

Act 63 of 2014  
A.C.A. §17-84-101

## History and Organization

The Board of Hearing Instrument Dispensers, authorized by A.C.A. §17-84-101 et seq., is responsible for the examination and licensure of persons engaging in the sale of hearing instruments. The Board is comprised of eight members appointed by the Governor for three-year terms. The Board is a cash agency funded from fees used for operating expenses and an extra help position.



## Agency Commentary

The Board of Hearing Instrument Dispensers is requesting to continue its operating appropriation at Base Level for the 2015-2017 Biennium. Funding is provided from license renewals and fees collected by the Board.

**Audit Findings**

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT  
AUDIT OF :  
ARKANSAS BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

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Findings	Recommendations
None	None

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**State Contracts Over \$50,000 Awarded To Minority Owned Businesses Fiscal Year 2014**

None

**Cash Fund Balance Description as of June 30, 2014**

Fund Account	Balance	Type	Location
3160000	\$56,906	Checking	Bank of Little Rock

Statutory/Other Restrictions on use:

A.C.A. §17-84-204 Fees are to be used to pay administrative expenses. Any remaining balances at year end are to be carried forward.

Statutory Provisions for Fees, Fines, Penalties:

A.C.A. §17-84-203 Fees, Fines & Penalties as established in law.

Revenue Receipts Cycle:

Fees and penalties are collected throughout the year, with the bulk of the fees collected between June and September.

Fund Balance Utilization:

Fund balance each year is carried forward to support the Board's operating budget.

Fund Account	Balance	Type	Location
PHA0000	\$9,859	Payroll	State Treasury

Statutory/Other Restrictions on use:

None

Statutory Provisions for Fees, Fines, Penalties:

A.C.A. §17-84-203 Fees, Fines & Penalties as established in law.

Revenue Receipts Cycle:

Funds transferred from Operating Account - 3160000 as required to process payroll obligations.

Fund Balance Utilization:

Fund balance is carried forward to process payroll related expenses for the following year.

**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				
Rules & Regulations	A.C.A. §17-84-203	N	N	1	Required to distribute to licensees when changes occur.	0	0.00

## Agency Position Usage Report

FY2012 - 2013						FY2013 - 2014						FY2014 - 2015					
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	
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## **Analysis of Budget Request**

**Appropriation:** A89 - Cash Operations

**Funding Sources:** 316 - Hearing Instrument Dispensers-Cash

The Arkansas Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers was created by Act 197 of 1969 to insure the public is protected when purchasing any instrument or device designed for aiding, improving, or correcting human hearing. Act 592 of 1999 amended Arkansas Code §17-84-101 and changed the name to Arkansas Board of Hearing Instrument Dispensers. Pursuant to Arkansas Code §17-84-203, funding is derived from examination fees, license fees, and renewal fees charged to persons who practice the fitting or selling of hearing instruments. The Board utilizes these funds to finance one (1) Extra Help position and provide operating expenses for the administration of the laws governing hearing instrument dispensers.

The Board is requesting Base Level of \$27,594 each year.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request. Expenditure of appropriation is contingent upon available funding.

## 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		
		2013-2014 Actual	2014-2015 Budget	2014-2015 Authorized	2015-2016			2016-2017		
					Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Extra Help	5010001	9,690	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
<b>#Extra Help</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Personal Services Matching	5010003	745	1,071	1,071	1,079	1,079	1,079	1,079	1,079	1,079
Operating Expenses	5020002	8,148	12,165	12,165	12,165	12,165	12,165	12,165	12,165	12,165
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Fees	5060010	0	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>18,583</b>	<b>27,586</b>	<b>27,586</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>
<b>Funding Sources</b>										
Fund Balance	4000005	60,076	66,765		66,280	66,280	66,280	66,280	66,280	66,280
Cash Fund	4000045	25,272	27,101		27,594	27,594	27,594	27,594	27,594	27,594
<b>Total Funding</b>		<b>85,348</b>	<b>93,866</b>		<b>93,874</b>	<b>93,874</b>	<b>93,874</b>	<b>93,874</b>	<b>93,874</b>	<b>93,874</b>
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(66,765)	(66,280)		(66,280)	(66,280)	(66,280)	(66,280)	(66,280)	(66,280)
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>18,583</b>	<b>27,586</b>		<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>	<b>27,594</b>