

**ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM
AGENCY PROGRAM COMMENTARY
2001 - 2003**

Granting and maintaining licenses and registrations for speech-language pathologists, speech pathology assistants, and audiologists is an ongoing function of this Board according to Act 277, Act 121 and Act 826. Review of complaints and disciplinary hearings, if necessary, are conducted in an effort to uphold the highest standards of the professions. Each licensee and registrant must complete continuing education each year, which the Board must review, and approve/disapprove. Numerous state and privately sponsored workshops and courses are offered throughout the state to provide licensees with the increased knowledge required. Sponsors of such workshops are approved and supervised by the Board. Each year a directory of all licensed speech-language pathologists is printed and disseminated to all licensees and continuing education sponsors. The Board also prints an informational brochure for consumers.

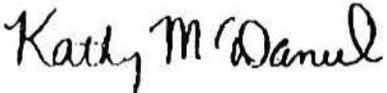
The total number of speech-language pathology and audiology licensees continues to grow each year. The Board must be aware at all times to uphold the highest standards of licensed practitioners in order to protect the public. Due to the new Health Integrity and Protection Data Bank (HIPDB) and National Practitioners Data Bank (NPDB), reports of previous sanctions can be obtained for each applicant. Additional funds are being requested in character code 02, M & O, for the costs of ordering these reports.

Also in accordance with the Board's mission of protecting the rights of consumers, additional funds are requested in character code 10, professional fees and services, for salary and reimbursable expenses of the SLP-assistant monitor.

A computer consultant will be utilized for on-going expenses of updating software and training for the office manager, therefore, the need for other additional funds in character code 10.

Funds are requested in character code 09, conference fees and travel, to allow the office manager to attend the annual National Convention of State Boards.

Our checking account and savings have adequate funds to cover all costs when combined with the continued income from new applicants and renewal licenses.

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STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1998

Assets

<u>Cash and Investments</u>	<u>Fixed</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Liabilities Long-Term</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total Equity</u>
\$ 82,525	\$ 16,405	\$ 1,364	\$ 100,294	\$ 0	\$ 697	\$ 697	\$ 99,597

Revenues

<u>Intergovernmental</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>Licenses and Fees</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Salaries and Matching</u>	<u>Grants and Aid</u>	<u>Expenditures Capital</u>	<u>Other Operating</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Other Sources (Uses)</u>
\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 56,645	\$ 2,621	\$ 59,266	\$ 34,812	\$ 0	\$ 2,680	\$ 26,522	\$ 64,014	\$ 0

Findings

None.

Recommendations

None.

ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM
 EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY
 AS REQUIRED BY ACT 358 OF 1993
 (A.C.A 19-4-307)

AGENCY TITLE 292 - SPEECH THERAPY & AUDIOLOGY

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL
WHITE EMPLOYEES	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>100%</u>
BLACK EMPLOYEES	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0%</u>
EMPLOYEES OF OTHER RACIAL MINORITIES	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0%</u>
TOTAL EMPLOYED AS OF 08/05/00			0	0%
DATE			<u>TOTAL MINORITIES</u>	<u>0%</u>
			1	100%
			<u>TOTAL EMPLOYEES</u>	<u>100%</u>

Betty Bass
 AGENCY DIRECTOR

CASH FUND BALANCE DESCRIPTION

AS OF JUNE 30, 2000

AGENCY: Brd of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology

AGENCY # 292

ACCOUNT INFORMATION				STATUTORY/OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON USE:
FUND ACCT	BALANCE	TYPE	LOCATION	
329	\$33,198.41	AR Treasury Money Mgmt.	Metropolitan National Bank	A.C.A. 17-100-206 states that the agency can use funds collected for payment of reasonable and necessary salaries, maintenance, and operating expenses.
	\$26,787.94	Checking Account	Bank of America, Little Rock, AR	<p>STATUTORY PROVISIONS FOR FEES, FINES, PENALTIES: A.C.A. 17-100-206 authorizes the board to establish and change fees for application, examination, renewal and delinquency purposes. Fee amounts are set out in rules and regulations.</p> <p>REVENUE RECEIPTS CYCLE: Revenue is collected throughout the year; however, most of the fees are collected during renewal time in the month of June.</p> <p>FUND BALANCE UTILIZATION: Since the largest proportion of fees are collected at the end of the fiscal year, funds are carried over for use in carrying out the business of the office. With the increase in numbers of licensees and expenses of doing business, we expect the fund balance to decrease in the next few years unless fees are increased.</p>
ACCOUNT INFORMATION				STATUTORY/OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON USE:
FUND ACCT	BALANCE	TYPE	LOCATION	
				<p>STATUTORY PROVISIONS FOR FEES, FINES, PENALTIES:</p> <p> </p> <p>REVENUE RECEIPTS CYCLE:</p> <p> </p> <p>FUND BALANCE UTILIZATION:</p> <p> </p>

STATE AGENCY PUBLICATIONS

2001-2003 Biennium

Act 1276 of 1999

AGENCY: Board of Examiners in Speech Pathology & Audiology **AGENCY #** 292

NAME OF PUBLICATION	STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION ACT # OR A.C.A.	REQUIRED FOR GOVERNOR AND/OR GENERAL ASSEMBLY ONLY	NUMBER OF COPIES PUBLISHED & DISTRIBUTED	REASON(S) FOR CONTINUED PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION
Licensure Directory	ABESPA Rules and Regulations Article II, D		1,465	Required by current rules and regulations for use by licensees and others
Consumer Information Brochure			400	Provided to all licensees for use in offices and clinics to inform the public of their rights.
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**ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET REQUEST
2001 - 2003**

The Arkansas Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology was created by Act 277 of 1975 to safeguard the public health, safety, and welfare by providing regulatory authority over persons offering Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology services to the citizens of Arkansas. The Board is a cash agency funded from application, examination and license renewal fees charged pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated §17-100-206. The FY01 budgeted amount of \$91,625 consists of Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching for one position (Office Manager), one Extra Help position, Operating Expenses, Conference Fees & Travel and Professional Fees & Services. Base Level is \$85,828 for FY02 and \$86,937 for FY03 and includes a payplan increase of 2.6% each year over the FY01 fiscal year salary levels for all incumbents plus appropriate Personal Services Matching costs.

Listed below are the change level requests to Base Level totaling \$6,750 for FY02 and \$6,850 for FY03:

Operating Expenses - \$1,550 each year of the biennium to allow the Board to conduct background checks on Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) applicants to obtain information on disciplinary actions from other states.

Conference Fees & Travel - \$900 in FY02 and \$1,000 in FY03 to allow the Office Manager to attend the annual National Convention of State Boards.

Professional Fees & Services – The Board is requesting an additional \$4,300 each year of the biennium. A professional services contract in the amount of \$3,500 will be utilized for the salary and reimbursable expenses of the Speech Language Pathology – Assistant Monitor to provide training and supervision to those Speech-Language Pathologists using Speech Pathology Assistants. The additional \$800 each fiscal year is requested for a professional services contract with a computer consultant for additional software updates/maintenance.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

AGENCY	APPROPRIATION	CASH FUND	ANALYSIS OF BUDGET REQUEST	PAGE
Name: Arkansas Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Code: 292	Name: Cash Operations Code: A12	Name: Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology - Cash Code: 329	BR20	364

ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM

CHARACTER TITLE	-----EXPENDITURES-----			-----01-02 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----02-03 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S-----			
	99-00	00-01	00-01	BASE	CHANGE LEVEL	TOTAL REQUEST	BASE	CHANGE LEVEL	TOTAL REQUEST	EXECUTIVE		LEGISLATIVE	
	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	AUTHORIZED APPRO							01-02	02-03	01-02	02-03
REGULAR SALARIES	34,379	35,352	35,352	36,271	0	36,271	37,214	0	37,214	36,271	37,214		
NUMBER OF POSITIONS	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1		
EXTRA HELP	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	2,000		
NUMBER OF POSITIONS	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1		
PERSONAL SERV HATCHING	9,049	9,357	9,642	9,541	0	9,541	9,707	0	9,707	9,541	9,707		
OPERATING EXPENSES	35,434	36,016	36,016	36,016	1,550	37,566	36,016	1,550	37,566	37,566	37,566		
CONF FEES & TRAVEL	1,657	1,900	1,000	1,000	900	1,900	1,000	1,000	2,000	1,900	2,000		
PROF FEES & SERVICES	4,232	7,000	1,000	1,000	4,300	5,300	1,000	4,300	5,300	5,300	5,300		
CAPITAL OUTLAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
TOTAL	84,751	91,625	85,010	85,028	6,750	92,578	86,937	6,850	93,787	92,578	93,787		
PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES			*****										
FUND BALANCES	86,051	71,997	*****	46,400		46,400	24,030		24,030	46,400	24,030		
GENERAL REVENUES			*****										
SPECIAL REVENUES			*****										
FEDERAL FUNDS			*****										
STATE CENTRAL SERVICES FUND			*****										
NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS			*****										
CASH FUNDS	70,647	66,158	*****	63,378	6,750	70,128	67,485	6,850	74,335	70,128	74,335		
OTHER			*****										
TOTAL FUNDING	156,698	138,105	*****	109,858	6,750	116,608	91,515	6,850	98,365	116,608	98,365		
EXCESS APPRO/ (FUNDING)	(71,947)	(46,400)	*****	(24,030)		(24,030)	(4,578)		(4,578)	(24,030)	(4,578)		
TOTAL	84,751	91,625	*****	85,028	6,750	92,578	86,937	6,850	93,787	92,578	93,787		

DEPT 008 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - MEDICALLY RELATED
 AGY 292 BOARD OF EXAMINERS SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY & AUDIOLOGY
 APPRO A12 CASH OPERATIONS
 FUND 329 SPEECH PATHOLOGY & AUDIOLOGY(292)

APPROPRIATION SUMMARY

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Budgeted exceeds Authorized in various line items due to a transfer from Cash Fund Holding Account.

ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM
PROGRAM/SERVICE INFORMATION LIST
RANK BY APPROPRIATION

01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
RANK	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	FUND	ACCOUNTING INFORMATION	D E S	EXPENDITURES		2001 - 03 BIENNIAL REQUESTS				RECOMMENDATIONS							
					ACTUAL	BUDGETED	FY 2001 - 02		FY 2002 - 03		EXECUTIVE		LEGISLATIVE					
					99-00	00-01	REQUEST	REQUEST	2001-02	2002-03	2001-02	2002-03						
000		329	292 A12	B	84,751 1	91,625 1	85,828 1			86,937 1			85,828 1	86,937 1				
001		329	292 A12 A90 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	C08			800 0			800 0			800	800				
To provide on-going changes in the licensing program by a non-state vendor.																		
001		329	292 A12 100 BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH PATHOLOGY	C01			5,950 0			6,050 0			5,950	6,050				
<p>The Board is requesting an increase of \$1,550 in FY02 and \$1,550 in FY03 in Operating Expenses for Costs associated with ordering disciplinary action reports for Health Integrity and Protection Data Bank (NPDB). An increase of \$4,300 in FY02 and \$4,300 in FY03 in Professional Fees & Services is requested for costs of salary and expenses of our Assistant Monitor. Also, an increase of \$900 in FY02 and \$1,000 in FY03 in Conferences Fees & Travel for expenses associated with travel of the Office Manager to attend the annual National Convention of State Boards.</p>																		

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