ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

Enabling Laws

Act 771 of 2007 A.C.A. § 71-2902

History and Organization

The Arkansas State Board of Landscape Architects (formerly Arkansas Advisory Committee for Registration of Landscape Architects) is responsible for the examination and registration/licensure of landscape architects in Arkansas, in accordance with Act 353 of 1975, as amended. The Board is composed of four landscape architects, one public member and the Program Director of the University of Arkansas School of Landscape Architecture.

Mission

The Landscape Board was formed in 1975 with the goal of protecting the public's health, safety and welfare as it relates to the practice of Landscape Architecture.

Statutory Responsibility

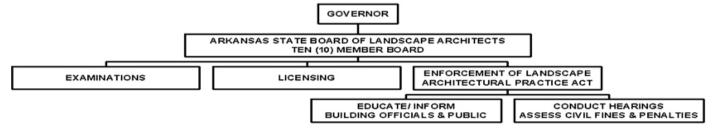
To certify, license and register individuals who meet the requirements to practice landscape architecture in the State of Arkansas and to protect the public from illegal, incompetent, unethical and unprofessional practitioners.

Primary Activities

The Arkansas State Board of Architects provides the staff support for carrying out the duties of the Arkansas State Board of Landscape Architects. Those duties include:

- To administer and grant certification to those who pass the Landscape Architectural Registration Examination (L.A.R.E.) and otherwise qualify;
- Determine whether those who apply for a reciprocal qualify;
- Annually register/license all individual landscape architects and issue annual licenses to practice;
- Investigate violations of the Landscape Architectural Practice Act and take disciplinary action where appropriate after conducting a hearing; and
- Monitor mandatory continuing education requirements.

No Oversight and/or Advisory Affiliation



Agency Commentary

The Arkansas State Board of Landscape Architects certify, license and register individuals who meet requirements to practice landscape architecture and protect the public from illegal, incompetent, unethical and unprofessional practitioners. The operations of the Board are funded from the receipts of fees charged by the Agency, which include registration and renewal fees, fines and penalties.

The Landscape Board is requesting Base Level operations in the amount of \$42,279 each year.

The Landscape Board funds one-half the salary for accounting/bookkeeper position of the Arkansas State Board of Architects through a special language provision. The Board is requesting an increase of \$2,377 in the first year and \$2,896 in the second year of the biennium to adjust for current salary and matching rates for this position in the current biennium.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT AUDIT OF: ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Findings Recommendations
None None

Cash Fund Balance Description as of June 30, 2008

Fund Account Balance Type Location
3300000 \$166,240 Checking Regions Bank

Statutory/Other Restrictions on use:

A.C.A. §17-36-206(b)(1) A.C.A. §17-36-206(b)(1) - The Secretary-treasurer shall receive, disburse, and account for all income paid to or received by the board.

Statutory Provisions for Fees, Fines, Penalties:

A.C.A. §17-36-206(b)(1) - The Secretary-treasurer shall receive, disburse, and account for all incomepaid to or received by the board.

Revenue Receipts Cycle:

Fees, fines and penalties are collected throughout the year.

Fund Balance Utilization:

The fees are used to carry out the functions of the Board.

Publications

A.C.A. 25-1-204

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Ī	None	N/A	N	N	0	N/A		

Agency Position Usage Report

	FY2006 - 2007				FY2007 - 2008						FY2008 - 2009						
Authorized	Authorized Budgeted Unbudgeted % of Authorized Budgeted Unb		Unbudgeted	% of	Authorized	Budgeted		Unbudgeted	% of								
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Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: A34 - Cash Operations

Funding Sources: 330 - Landscape Architects - Cash

The Arkansas State Board of Landscape Architects is responsible for the examination and registration of landscape architects in Arkansas. The operations of the Board are funded with cash funds generated from the receipt of fees charged by the agency.

The Boards Change Level Request for Architect's Board Reimbursement totaling \$2,377 in FY10 and \$2,896 in FY11 provides for increases in Salary and Personal Services Matching as required in the special language proportionate share salary provision in the Board's appropriation act for the Architects Board bookkeeper.

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

Appropriation Summary

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Funding Sources: 330 - Landscape Architects - Cash

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

	2007-2008	2008-2009	2008-2009		2009-2010			2010-2011			
Commitment Item		Actual	Budget	Authorized	Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive	
Operating Expenses	5020002	10,589	15,490	15,490	15,490	15,490	15,490	15,490	15,490	15,490	
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Professional Fees	5060010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Exams	5900046	1,868	7,348	7,348	7,348	7,348	7,348	7,348	7,348	7,348	
Reimburse Board of Architects	5900047	19,441	19,441	19,441	19,441	21,818	21,818	19,441	22,337	22,337	
Total		31,898	42,279	42,279	42,279	44,656	44,656	42,279	45,175	45,175	
Funding Sources	;										
Fund Balance	4000005	154,451	166,240		165,016	165,016	165,016	163,792	161,415	161,415	
Cash Fund	4000045	43,687	41,055		41,055	41,055	41,055	41,055	41,055	41,055	
Total Funding		198,138	207,295		206,071	206,071	206,071	204,847	202,470	202,470	
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(166,240)	(165,016)		(163,792)	(161,415)	(161,415)	(162,568)	(157,295)	(157,295)	
Grand Total		31,898	42,279		42,279	44,656	44,656	42,279	45,175	45,175	

Change Level by Appropriation

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Funding Sources: 330 - Landscape Architects - Cash

Agency Request

	Change Level	2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	42,279	0	42,279	100.0	42,279	0	42,279	100.0
C01	Existing Program	2,377	0	44,656	105.6	2,896	0	45,175	106.8

Executive Recommendation

	Change Level	2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	42,279	0	42,279	100.0	42,279	0	42,279	100.0
C01	Existing Program	2,377	0	44,656	105.6	2,896	0	45,175	106.8

	Justification
C01	Increase in Reimbursement is to cover one half of the salary of the Clerk/Bookkeeper of the Arkansas State Board of Architects.