

BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE & RELATED TECHNIQUES

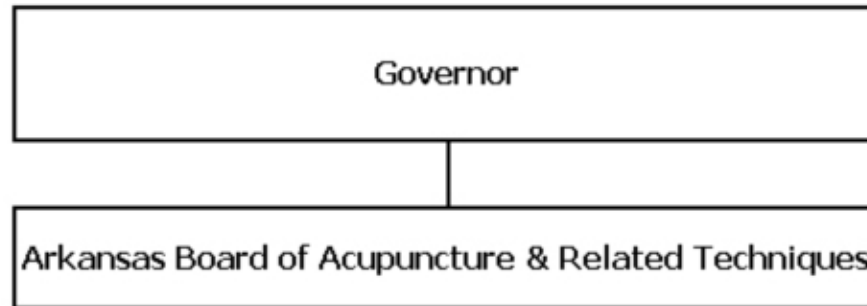
Enabling Laws

Act 145 of 2010
A.C.A. §17-102-101 et seq.

History and Organization

The purpose of the Board is to protect the public from those persons who are untrained and unqualified to practice acupuncture and related techniques, license those individuals who meet the qualifications of licensure under the Act, and hear and resolve such disciplinary matters as may come before it.

The Board currently contracts for part-time administrative support and office facilities in order to provide a central place for records storage, Board meetings, and service to licensees and the general public.



Agency Commentary

The Arkansas State Board of Acupuncture and Related Techniques was created by Act 816 of 1997. The Board evaluates qualifications of applicants and investigates complaints or allegations of practices violating provisions of the Act.

The Board is funded by licensing and administrative fees.

The Board is requesting Base Level appropriation for the 2011-2013 biennium. The Board has sufficient funding to cover the appropriation.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT
AUDIT OF :
BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE & RELATED TECHNIQUES

Findings

A separate report for this Agency was not issued. However, financial activity for the Agency was included in the audit of the State's CAFR for the year ended June 30, 2009.

Recommendations

Cash Fund Balance Description as of June 30, 2010

Fund Account	Balance	Type	Location
3900000	\$14,277	Checking	Bank of America

Statutory/Other Restrictions on use:

A.C.A. 17-102-206 establishes that the agency can use funds collected for expenses and to carry on the functions of the agency.

Statutory Provisions for Fees, Fines, Penalties:

A.C.A. 17-102-304 authorizes the Board to collect fees.

Revenue Receipts Cycle:

License fees are collected on an irregular basis throughout the year and renewal fees are collected at the end of each year.

Fund Balance Utilization:

Funds are used to carry out the stated purpose of the Board.

Publications

A.C.A. 25-1-204

Name	Statutory Authorization	Required for		# of Copies	Reason(s) for Continued Publication and Distribution
		Governor	General Assembly		
None	N/A	N	N	0	N/A

Agency Position Usage Report

FY2008 - 2009						FY2009 - 2010					FY2010 - 2011						
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		
0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %	0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %	0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: C13 - Acupuncture Operations

Funding Sources: 390 - Acupuncture Board Cash

Act 816 of 1997 created the State Board of Acupuncture and Related Techniques. The Board is funded from fees as authorized by A.C.A. § 17-102-304. The Board regulates the licensure and activities of practitioners of this discipline and shelters the public from those who are unqualified to practice in this field. The second aspect of the Board's responsibility is the resolution of disciplinary matters as they arise due to violations of the law.

The Agency requests a Base Level budget of \$11,000 for each year of the 2011-2013 biennium.

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		
		2009-2010 Actual	2010-2011 Budget	2010-2011 Authorized	2011-2012			2012-2013		
					Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Operating Expenses	5020002	245	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Fees	5060010	8,822	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		9,067	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	12,993	14,277		14,277	14,277	14,277	14,277	14,277	14,277
Cash Fund	4000045	10,351	11,000		11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
Total Funding		23,344	25,277		25,277	25,277	25,277	25,277	25,277	25,277
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(14,277)	(14,277)		(14,277)	(14,277)	(14,277)	(14,277)	(14,277)	(14,277)
Grand Total		9,067	11,000		11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000