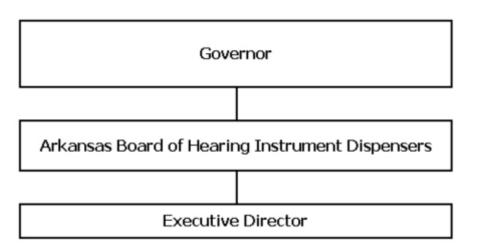
AR BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS

Enabling Laws

Act 20 of 2010 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 2011-2013 biennium. Funding is provided from license renewals and fees collected by the board.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

AUDIT OF:

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Findings	Recommendations					
None	None					

Cash Fund Balance Description as of June 30, 2010

Fund Account Balance Type Location

3160000 \$19,476 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 7/1 and 6/30.

Fund Balance Utilization:

Fund balance each year is carried over as the base of the following year's operating budget.

Publications

A.C.A. 25-1-204

	Statutory	Requ	ired for	# of	Reason(s) for Continued Publication and Distribution		
Name	Authorization	Governor	General Assembly	Copies			
Rules & Regulations	A.C.A. §17-84-203	N	N	1	Required to distribute to licensees when changes occur.		

Agency Position Usage Report

FY2008 - 2009 FY2009 - 2010						10 FY2010 - 2011											
Authorized	I	Budgeted	i	Unbudgeted	% of	Authorized	d Budgeted			Unbudgeted		Authorized	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of
in Act	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	Authorized Unused	in Act	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	Authorized Unused	in Act	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	Authorized Unused
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: 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 Agency Request is Base Level of \$23,596 each year of the biennium.

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

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: A89 - Cash Operations

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Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

		2009-2010	2010-2011	2010-2011		2011-2012		2012-2013			
Commitment Item		Actual	Budget	Authorized	Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive	
Extra Help	5010001	8,955	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	
#Extra Help		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Personal Services Matching	5010003	689	1,079	1,079	1,071	1,071	1,071	1,071	1,071	1,071	
Operating Expenses	5020002	3,601	8,175	8,175	8,175	8,175	8,175	8,175	8,175	8,175	
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	
Total		13,245	23,604	23,604	23,596	23,596	23,596	23,596	23,596	23,596	
Funding Sources											
Fund Balance	4000005	14,020	19,476		11,751	11,751	11,751	4,034	4,034	4,034	
Cash Fund	4000045	18,701	15,879		15,879	15,879	15,879	16,958	16,958	16,958	
Total Funding		32,721	35,355		27,630	27,630	27,630	20,992	20,992	20,992	
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(19,476)	(11,751)		(4,034)	(4,034)	(4,034)	2,604	2,604	2,604	
Grand Total		13,245	23,604		23,596	23,596	23,596	23,596	23,596	23,596	