

## Introduction

Section 103.13(H) of the Revised Code requires the Legislative Service Commission (LSC) to prepare a report each year evaluating the extent to which Ohio's various occupational licensing and regulatory boards and commissions are financially self-supporting. This report summarizes the year-end cash balances for funds used by 40 such boards and commissions in FY 2012 (July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012). These 40 boards and commissions use a number of different state funds as operating accounts into which their receipts are deposited and from which their expenses are paid. As of June 30, 2012, the 20 funds used primarily by the boards and commissions for operations had a combined cash balance of \$66.7 million, compared to a combined cash balance of \$63.9 million as of July 1, 2011. The boards and commissions also encumbered a total of \$4.5 million in FY 2012 funds to be spent in FY 2013, leaving the funds with a combined unobligated cash balance of \$62.2 million at the end of FY 2012. Collectively, the 40 boards and commissions had sufficient revenues to cover their expenditures and were financially self-supporting in FY 2012.

The financial and licensing data presented in this report was compiled from information provided by the boards and commissions and data from the Ohio Administrative Knowledge System (OAKS). The report is divided into three sections. Section I provides a simplified cash balance statement for the 20 funds used primarily by the boards and commissions for operations and also summarizes their revenue and expenditure activity for FY 2012. Section II compares the total number of active licenses for each board or commission in FY 2012 to FY 2011. Section III provides agency staffing levels, web site addresses, and a summary of newly enacted legislative changes affecting the boards and commissions in FY 2012.

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