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**State Vision**  
**Professionals Board**

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Budget Spreadsheet By Line Item

# State Vision Professionals Board

- New agency created to oversee vision professionals
- Non-GRF agency; to be funded by fee revenues
- Will regulate approximately 6,400 licensees

## OVERVIEW

### Agency Overview

H.B. 49 consolidates the State Board of Optometry and the Ohio Optical Dispensers Board into the new State Vision Professionals Board, effective January 21, 2018. The Board will oversee activities relating to licensing of almost 6,400 optometrists, opticians, and ocularists.

The Board's governing authority will consist of seven members appointed by the Governor: four optometrists, two dispensing opticians, and one public member. Board members' terms will be for three years. Board members will receive payment for each day spent performing official duties and reimbursements for necessary expenses. The Board's daily operations will be the responsibility of an executive director. The budget specifies that the employees of the two boards to be abolished will be transferred to the State Vision Professionals Board subject to continuing law layoff provisions. Currently, the State Board of Optometry and the Ohio Optical Dispensers Board each have three full-time employees. The Board will receive no General Revenue Fund (GRF) dollars; it will be entirely supported by fee revenue.

### Appropriation Overview

H.B. 49 provides funding of \$400,809 in FY 2018 and \$650,607 in FY 2019 for the new board. Since the consolidation will occur on January 21, 2018, the abolished boards receive partial appropriations in FY 2018 for expenditures made before this date, while the State Vision Professionals Board receives an appropriation for expenditures made after this date. The FY 2019 appropriation is for a full year of operations.

**Table 1. Agency Appropriation by Fund Group, FY 2018-FY 2019  
(Am. Sub. H.B. 49)**

Fund Group	FY 2017*	FY 2018	% change	FY 2019	% change
Dedicated Purpose	\$0	\$400,809	N/A	\$650,607	62.3%

\*FY 2017 figures represent actual expenditures

## Fee Revenues and Fund 4K90

The Board will issue and renew a variety of licenses for vision professionals. The licenses issued prior to January 21, 2018 by the abolished boards will continue in effect as if issued by the State Vision Professionals Board. The table below shows the licenses that will be issued by the Board, as well as the fee currently charged. The licenses are currently renewed annually.

<b>Table 2. Licenses to be Issued by State Vision Professionals Board</b>	
<b>License Type</b>	<b>Fee</b>
<b>Optical Dispensers</b>	
Optician and Ocularist Initial License	\$50
License Renewal	\$100
Registered Apprentice (Initial and Renewal)	\$20
Reciprocity Application	\$50
<b>Optometrists</b>	
Optometrist License (Initial and Renewal)	\$130
Therapeutic Pharmaceutical Agents Certificate	\$45
Reinstatement Fees	\$75
Late Renewal	\$125

Fee revenues collected by the Board will be deposited into the Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Fund (Fund 4K90). Many occupational licensing and regulatory boards and commissions use Fund 4K90 as an operating account into which receipts are deposited and from which expenses are paid. Each licensing board or commission is generally expected to be self-sufficient, i.e., generating enough revenues to cover its expenses.

## ANALYSIS OF ENACTED BUDGET

The Board's operations are funded by a single line item appropriation from the Dedicated Purpose Fund Group. The table below shows the appropriation for the line item.

Appropriation for the State Vision Professionals Board				
Fund	ALI	Name	FY 2018	FY 2019
<b>Dedicated Purpose Fund Group</b>				
4K90	129609	Operating Expenses	\$400,809	\$650,607

Through this one line item, the Board will pay all of its expenses. H.B. 49 appropriates \$400,809 in FY 2018 and \$650,607 in FY 2019. The appropriation for FY 2018 is for a partial year since the State Board of Optometry and the Ohio Optical Dispensers Board will continue their operations until they are consolidated into the State Vision Professionals Board on January 21, 2018. The table below shows the FY 2017 expenditure and the FY 2018 appropriation for the two boards to be consolidated and the FY 2018 and FY 2019 appropriations for the State Vision Professionals Board. In FY 2017, the expenditures related to vision professionals regulation totaled \$711,225. The appropriations for these activities are \$863,971 in FY 2018 and \$650,607 in FY 2019.

Table 3. Expenditures and Appropriations for Consolidated Boards and the State Vision Professionals Board			
	FY 2017 Expenditure	FY 2018 Appropriation	FY 2019 Appropriation
Ohio Optical Dispensers Board (ALI 894609)	\$365,396	\$235,768	\$0
State Board of Optometry (ALI 885609)	\$345,829	\$227,394	\$0
State Vision Professionals Board (ALI 129609)	\$0	\$400,809	\$650,607
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$711,225</b>	<b>\$863,971</b>	<b>\$650,607</b>

# FY 2018 - FY 2019 Final Appropriation Amounts

# All Fund Groups

## Line Item Detail by Agency

			FY 2016	FY 2017	Appropriation FY 2018	FY 2017 to FY 2018 % Change	Appropriation FY 2019	FY 2018 to FY 2019 % Change
<b>Report For Main Operating Appropriations Bill</b>			<b>Version: As Enacted</b>					
<b>VPB State Vision Professionals Board</b>								
4K90	129609	Operating Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$ 400,809	N/A	\$ 650,607	62.32%
<b>Dedicated Purpose Fund Group Total</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$ 400,809</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$ 650,607</b>	<b>62.32%</b>
<b>State Vision Professionals Board Total</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$ 400,809</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$ 650,607</b>	<b>62.32%</b>