

Ohio State Barber Board

- Licensed roughly 12,500 barbers, barber school teachers, barber shops, and barber schools in FY 2006
- Funding of \$608,045 in FY 2008 and \$628,264 in FY 2009

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OVERVIEW

Duties and Responsibilities

The Ohio State Barber Board was established in 1934 to ensure that the consuming public was protected from communicable diseases. The Board requires all barbers to attend a licensed barber school, after which they must pass an examination to determine their ability and competence. Additionally, licensed barbers must possess knowledge of skin diseases. In addition to licensing barbers, the Board also regulates barber schools and barber shops. Other activities undertaken by the Board include the inspections of barber shops and schools, setting standards for licensure and enforcement of those standards through examinations, investigations, and disciplinary actions.

Agency in Brief

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Number of Employees*	Total Appropriations-All Funds		GRF Appropriations		Appropriation Bill(s)
	2008	2009	2008	2009	
7	\$608,045	\$628,264	\$0	\$0	Am. Sub. H.B. 119

*Employee count obtained from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) payroll reports as of June 2007.

Licensure

The Barber Board handles the administrative work for roughly 12,500 barbers, barber shops, barber teachers and barber school licenses. The Board's licenses have biennial renewal cycles. License fees generated an estimated \$1.51 million in revenue over the most recently completed two-year renewal cycle (FY 2005 and FY 2006). Compared to expenditures of \$1.01 million during that same time period, the Board realized a net gain of nearly \$500,000.

Summary of FYs 2008 - 2009 Budget Issues

Cost-Savings Measures

In the past biennium, the Board purchased a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit for one of the Board's four inspectors. This GPS unit has cut down travel time for the inspector by 20% and has allowed the Board to increase the number of inspections by 10%. While the Board states that it needs an additional inspector, the GPS unit has helped delay the need for such an inspector by increasing efficiency. While the Board has explored the possibility of adding GPS units to the cars for the other three inspectors in the FY 2008 - 2009 biennium through the Board's automobile lease program to

increase efficiency even further, this project is on hold due to budgetary constraints. Each GPS unit costs approximately \$600. Additionally, the Board will likely delay the purchase of revised rulebooks for barbers until later in FY 2008 and may purchase the rulebooks in two installments, once per fiscal year in order to spread out the cost.

ANALYSIS OF THE BUDGET

Single Program Series

Operating Expenses

Purpose: License and regulate barbers, barber shops, and barber schools

The following table shows the line items that are used to fund the Ohio State Barber Board as well as the funding levels for the FY 2008 - 2009 biennium.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009
General Services Fund Group				
4K9	877-609	Operating Expenses	\$608,045	\$628,264
General Services Fund Group Subtotal			\$608,045	\$628,264
Total Funding: Ohio State Barber Board			\$608,045	\$628,264

Program Description: In accordance with Chapter 4709. of the Revised Code, the Ohio State Barber Board licenses barbers, barber shops, and barber schools and teachers; conducts health, sanitation, and safety-related inspections of shops and schools; sets the standards for licensure; and enforces its standards through examinations, investigations, and disciplinary actions.

Funding Source: GSF Fund 4K9 – license fees and other assessments

Implication of the Budget: The budget appropriates \$608,045 in FY 2008 and \$628,264 in FY 2009. The Board indicated that it must absorb new fleet management costs, such as the replacement of four vehicles and increasing fuel and maintenance expenses. As a result of these costs and other budgetary constraints, the Board has had to prioritize spending, such as putting on hold the purchase of new GPS units (which has increased inspection efficiency) for the rest of its inspectors and delaying and spreading out over the biennium the purchase of revised rulebooks for licensees.

FY 2008 - 2009 Final Appropriation Amounts

All Fund Groups

<i>Line Item Detail by Agency</i>	<i>FY 2005:</i>	<i>FY 2006: Appropriations:</i>	<i>FY 2007 Adj. Appropriations:</i>	<i>FY 2008 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2007 to 2008:</i>	<i>FY 2009 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2008 to 2009:</i>
Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill		Version: Enacted					
BRB Barber Examiners, Board of							
4K9 877-609 Operating Expenses	\$ 495,624	\$ 516,126	\$ 567,119	\$ 608,045	7.22%	\$ 628,264	3.33%
General Services Fund Group Total	\$ 495,624	\$ 516,126	\$ 567,119	\$ 608,045	7.22%	\$ 628,264	3.33%
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