

State Board of Examiners of Architects and State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects

- Two boards share professional staff
- Licensed over 7,500 professionals in FY2000

OVERVIEW

The State Board of Examiners of Architects and the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects are two separate Boards that operate under a combined budget and share staff and facilities. Each board meets independently. Both boards protect the public by licensing and regulating the professions of architecture and landscape architecture.

Combined, the boards licensed over 7,500 professional architects and landscape architects in FY2000. More precisely, the boards licensed 7,102 architects and 563 landscape architects in FY2000. Compared to FY1999, the boards saw a small decrease, 0.8 percent, in the number of licensed individuals.

Each board renews its licenses on a biennial basis. The boards' combined revenue and expenditures for the FY1999/2000 renewal cycle were \$1,161,518 and \$823,808 respectively. The boards' net gain for this renewal cycle was \$337,710.

ADDITIONAL FACTS AND FIGURES

State Boards of Examiners of Architects and Landscape Architects Staffing Levels						
Program Series/Division	1998	1999	2000	2001	<i>Estimated</i>	
					2002	2003
Board Members – Architecture	5	5	5	5	5	5
Board Members – Landscape Architecture	5	5	5	5	5	5
Administrative Staff	3	3	3	3	3	3
Investigators	1	1	1	1	1	1
Totals	14	14	14	14	14	14

The architecture board meets about eight or ten times per year while the landscape architecture board meets four to five times.

Number of Licensees

<i>License Type</i>	<i>FY1999</i>	<i>FY2000</i>
Certificate of Qualification – Architect	6,628	6,609
Certificate of Authorization – Architect	522	493
Certificate of Qualification – Landscape Architect	548	527
Certificate of Authorization – Landscape Architect	30	36

Current License Fees

Each board renews its licenses biennially. Fees for landscape architects were last increased in October 1999. The \$200 fee in parentheses represents the application fee for architects or landscape architects that are seeking reciprocity in Ohio but are licensed in another state.

	<i>Initial License</i>	<i>Renewal License</i>
Certificate of Qualification – Architect	\$50 (\$200)	\$120
Certificate of Authorization – Architect	\$50	\$25
Certificate of Qualification – Landscape Architect	\$125 (\$200)	\$125
Certificate of Authorization – Landscape Architect	\$50	\$25

ANALYSIS OF EXECUTIVE PROPOSAL

ARCHITECTS BOARDS

Purpose License and regulate the professions of architecture and landscape architecture

The following table shows the line items that are used to fund this program series, as well as the Governor's recommended funding levels.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2002	FY 2003
4K9	891-609	Operating Expenses	\$461,465	\$484,574
Total funding: State Board of Examiners of Architects and Examiners of Landscape Architects				

Program Description: In accordance with Chapter 4703 of ORC, the Board of Examiners of Architects and the Board of Landscape Architect Examiners protect the public health, safety and welfare through the regulation of the practice of architecture and landscape architecture, respectively.

Funding Source: GSF Fund 4K9 – Currently, all revenue from the 22 occupational licensing boards is placed in Fund 4K9 and then reallocated to each board. Each board must raise enough revenue through its license fees to cover its expenses.

Line Items: 891-609 Operating Expenses

Implication of the Executive Recommendation: The Executive recommends that the funding of the two boards be increased by 7.2 percent in FY2002 and 5.0 percent in FY2003. The increase in FY2002 equates to \$30,992 of additional funding. The increase in the maintenance budget is higher than expected, as the increase in rent at the Riffe Center will be higher than anticipated.

PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY LAW

This section describes permanent and temporary law provisions contained in the executive budget that will affect the department's activities and spending decisions during the next biennium. There are none of these changes in the budget recommendation.

REQUESTS NOT FUNDED

The budget request of the Board of Examiners of Architects and the Board of Landscape Architect Examiners was fully funded by the Executive recommendation.

LSC Budget Spreadsheet by Line Item, FY 2002 - FY 2003

<i>Fund ALI ALI Title</i>	<i>Revised Estimated 2001</i>	<i>As Introduced 2002</i>	<i>House Sub Bill 2002</i>	<i>% Change Est. 2001 to House 2002</i>	<i>As Introduced 2003</i>	<i>House Sub Bill 2003</i>	<i>% Change House 2002 to House 2003</i>
ARC Architects, State Board of Examiners of							
4K9 891-609 Operating Expenses	\$430,473	\$ 461,465	\$ 461,465	7.2%	\$ 484,574	\$ 484,574	5.0%
General Services Fund Group Total	\$ 430,473	\$ 461,465	\$ 461,465	7.2%	\$ 484,574	\$ 484,574	5.0%
Total All Budget Fund Groups	\$ 430,473	\$ 461,465	\$ 461,465	7.2%	\$ 484,574	\$ 484,574	5.0%

General Services Fund Group

4K9 891-602 Testing Fees-ARC

1998	1999	2000	2001 Estimate	2002 Executive Proposal	2003 Executive Proposal
\$11,378	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	-100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source: GSF: Fees are collected from candidates taking examinations.

Legal Basis: originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 152 of the 120th G.A.

Purpose: These monies are used to cover the expenses of procuring, administering, and grading examinations. Effective FY 1998, this line item was transferred to 891-609, Operating.

4K9 891-609 Operating Expenses

1998	1999	2000	2001 Estimate	2002 Executive Proposal	2003 Executive Proposal
\$395,595	\$375,879	\$410,505	\$430,473	\$461,465	\$484,574
	-5.0%	9.2%	4.9%	7.2%	5.0%

Source: GSF: Revenue received by the occupational licensing boards is deposited into Fund 4K9.

Legal Basis: Originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 152 of the 120th G.A.

Purpose: Funds are used for general operating expenses, including payroll, supplies, and equipment. The appropriated amount may be increased a maximum of ten percent with Controlling Board approval.