

State Board of Sanitarian Registration

- Licenses over 1500 professionals
- Proposal contains fee increases
- Most licensees are government employees

OVERVIEW

The State Board of Sanitarian Registration was created in 1977 to ensure sanitarians in the field of environmental health possess and maintain specialized knowledge and skills that pertain to the field of environmental health science. Environmental health is an aspect of public health that deals with the following topics: air quality, food quality and protection, hazardous and toxic substances, consumer product safety, housing, institutional health and safety, community noise control, radiation protection, recreational facilities, solid and liquid waste management, vector control, drinking water quality, milk sanitation, and rabies control.

Eighty (80) percent of the board's licensees are government employees who must be licensed per government mandate. Most of these government employees work for city or county health departments. The board currently licenses approximately 1500 people. The board renews its licenses annually. In FY2000 the board had revenues and expenditures of \$100,029 and \$93,970 respectively. The board's net gain for this renewal cycle was \$6,059.

For FY2002, the proposed budget is \$109,512 and \$115,074 in FY2003. The Board requested an increase in funding for the next biennium. This fee increase is requested to ensure the Board will be prepared to pay for the additional costs resulting from payroll inflation in the upcoming biennium. Furthermore, the Board plans on establishing fees to recover the costs of reviewing and awarding continuing education hours to training agencies. These fees are expected to generate approximately \$2,750 in annual revenue.

ADDITIONAL FACTS AND FIGURES

State Board of Sanitarian Registration Staffing Levels						
Program Series/Division	1998	1999	2000	2001	<i>Estimated</i>	
					2002	2003
Board Members	7	7	7	7	7	7
Administrative Staff	1	1	1	1	0	0
Investigators	0	0	0	0	1	1
Totals	8	8	8	8	8	8

The board also has one intermittent clerk who works approximately 700 hours per year. The board's executive director performs all investigations. The Board has scheduled 7 board meetings for each year. Please note that the board members are only reimbursed their travel expenses.

Number of Licensees

<i>License Type</i>	<i>FY1999</i>	<i>FY2000</i>
Sanitarian	1,312	1,289
Sanitarian in Training	216	240

License Fees

License fees were last increased in June 1999. Licenses are renewed annually. Current fees are shown in the table below.

	Fees
Sanitarian in Training Application	\$55
Sanitarian in Training Renewal	\$58
Advancement to Registered Sanitarian	\$55
Registered Sanitarian Renewal	\$58
Registered Sanitarian Application	\$110

ANALYSIS OF EXECUTIVE PROPOSAL

STATE BOARD OF SANITARIAN REGISTRATION

Purpose License and regulate sanitarians in the field of environmental health

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	893-609	Operating	\$109,512	\$115,074
Total funding: State Board of Sanitarian Registration				

Program Description: In accordance with Chapter 4736 of the ORC, the State Board of Sanitarian Registration protects the public health by ensuring that individuals who engage in the practice of environmental health possess and maintain specialized knowledge and skills that pertain to the field of environmental health science.

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: 893-609

Implication of Recommendation: The Executive has recommended a 7.1 percent increase in FY2002 and a 5.1 percent increase for FY2003. These percentage changes relate to a proposed budget of \$109,512 for FY2002 and \$115,074 for FY2003.

The increase in funding will be supported mainly from proposed fee increases. The proposed fee increases are 5 percent in renewal and 4 percent in application fees. This supplemental request to increase fees to allow the Board to fund at the Core Budget Level was fully funded by the Executive. Fee increases are necessary for personnel to verify that applicants are completing their continuing education requirements.

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.

Permanent Law Provisions

Fees; fees for initial and renewal licenses (ORC Section 4736.12)

A number of fee increases will result from these law changes. Sanitarians will be required to pay additional application and renewal fees with the passage of this law. The revenue generated will allow the Board to continue to fund at the Core Budget Level. If the number of applications and renewals were to remain constant at FY 2000 levels, the fee increases below would generate \$4,489 annually.

License Type	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Sanitarian-in-Training Application	\$55	\$57
Advancement to Registered Sanitarian	\$55	\$57
Registered Sanitarian Application	\$110	\$114
Renewal	\$58	\$61
Late Renewal Fee	\$25	\$25

Eliminates language requiring residency requirement for registration as a registered sanitarian through reciprocity (ORC Section 4736.14)

The requirement that a person be a resident of the state of Ohio before the Board may issue a certificate of registration based on the person's registration by any other state has been deemed unconstitutional.

Temporary Law Provisions

There are no temporary law provisions with fiscal effects on this agency.

REQUESTS NOT FUNDED

The Board of Sanitarian Registration requested no supplemental funds. The full funding of the Board comes from their core request.

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

<i>Fund</i>	<i>ALI</i>	<i>ALI Title</i>	Revised Estimated 2001	As Introduced 2002	House Sub Bill 2002	% Change Est. 2001 to House 2002	As Introduced 2003	House Sub Bill 2003	% Change House 2002 to House 2003
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4K9	893-609	Operating Expenses	\$102,252	\$ 109,512	\$ 109,512	7.1%	\$ 115,074	\$ 115,074	5.1%
General Services Fund Group Total			\$ 102,252	\$ 109,512	\$ 109,512	7.1%	\$ 115,074	\$ 115,074	5.1%
<i>Total All Budget Fund Groups</i>			\$ 102,252	\$ 109,512	\$ 109,512	7.1%	\$ 115,074	\$ 115,074	5.1%

General Services Fund Group

4K9 893-602 Testing Fees-SAN

1998	1999	2000	2001 Estimate	2002 Executive Proposal	2003 Executive Proposal
\$1,440	\$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 moneys are used to cover the expenses of procuring, administering, and grading examinations. Effective FY 1998, this line item was transferred to 893-609, Operating.

4K9 893-609 Operating Expenses

1998	1999	2000	2001 Estimate	2002 Executive Proposal	2003 Executive Proposal
\$89,850	\$85,788	\$95,903	\$102,252	\$109,512	\$115,074
	-4.5%	11.8%	6.6%	7.1%	5.1%

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.

As Introduced*

In House Finance and Appropriations

Permanent Law Changes**Subject: Fees for Initial and Renewal Licenses****section: 4736.12**

Increases fees for Sanitarians and Sanitarians-in-Training. The fees for a Sanitarian-in-Training and an Advancement to Registered Sanitarian license are increased from \$55 to \$57. Renewal fees are increased from \$58 to \$61. Registered Sanitarian Application fees are raised from \$110 to \$114. If the number of applications and renewals were to remain constant at FY2000 levels, the fee increases would generate \$4,489 annually.

No change.

Subject: Eliminates Residency Requirement for Registration through Reciprocity**section: 4736.14**

Eliminates requirement that a person be a resident of the state of Ohio before the Board may issue a certificate of registration based on the person's registration by any other state. The requirement that a person be a resident of Ohio has been deemed unconstitutional. This provision has no fiscal effect.

No change.