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Note: The estimated General Revenue Fund (GRF) spending for FY 2003 used in this LSC Redbook reflects the 2.5% reduction made as a result of the Governor's January 22, 2003 budget cut order. The executive reduction was applied across-the-board to FY 2003 GRF appropriations, subject to certain exceptions. Subsequent to such reductions (and not reflected in the Redbook), state agencies were permitted to reallocate the amount that each of their GRF appropriation line items was reduced, while still absorbing the 2.5% budget cut within the total amount of their GRF appropriations.

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- The Executive recommends \$1,324,456 in FY 2004 (a 3.4% increase over estimated FY 2003 expenditures) and \$1,346,656 in FY 2005 (a 1.7% increase over the FY 2005 recommended appropriation)
- The Board licensed 6,975 dentists, 6,506 dental hygienists, and 7,918 dental radiographers in FY 2002

## OVERVIEW

The Ohio State Dental Board regulates the dental profession under Chapter 4715. of the Revised Code. The Board protects the health and welfare of the public by mandating appropriate training, ethical standards, and competency levels for its licensees. The Board meets its responsibilities through management of the licensure process, overseeing regulation of the industry, and enforcement through surveillance of licensees and investigation of complaints.

In fiscal year (FY) 2002, the Board licensed 6,975 dentists, 6,506 dental hygienists, and 7,918 dental radiographers. The total number of licensees increased by 1.5% between FY 2001 and FY 2002. The number of licensed dentists and dental assistants both decreased between FY 2001 and FY 2002. However, the number of licensed dental radiographers increased, pushing the total number of licenses issued above FY 2001 levels.

Revenue is generated from new and renewal license fees, which are collected biennially. Expenditures are for operating expenses associated with the licensure, regulation, and enforcement processes. Expenditures and revenue for the FYs 2001-2002 two-year renewal cycle were \$2,599,697 and \$2,268,827, respectively. Thus, the Board contributed \$330,870 more to Fund 4K9 than it was appropriated for the two-year licensing cycle.

### QUIP

The Board worked to initiate and implement a quality intervention program (QUIP) during the current biennium. The program is not fully implemented as of this writing. The Board maintains that the system will allow minor license violations, those in which patients were not in any harm, to be addressed while bypassing the administrative hearing process, which can cost thousands of dollars per day. QUIP will provide early intervention and remedial education services (at the licensee's expense), monitor the remediation process, and provide a means to efficiently review and follow-up complaints. The Board recently filled the position of QUIP Coordinator and the program will begin sometime in FY 2003.

### Dental Care for the Needy

The Board is also dedicated to expanding dental care to Ohio's less fortunate. The Board recently adopted rules allowing volunteer licenses to be granted to retired dentists and dental hygienists who work

in non-profit shelters and health care facilities. The Board is currently investigating other avenues for expanding access to dental care for the needy.

**Licensing System**

The occupational licensing boards, in partnership with the Department of Administrative Services, are working to implement a new licensing system. The system will be phased in over the next biennium and each board will pay their share of the costs out of Fund 4K9. The Dental Board will pay an annual fee of \$6,094 and a monthly fee of \$458 to maintain the system.

**Administrative Fees**

During the current biennium, occupational licensing boards have had to absorb increased administrative costs charged by other state agencies. Many boards contracted for services that were once provided for free such as lock-box services and computer technical support. The Board also states that increased rent in the Vern Riffe Center and a projected 15% increase in health care costs are contributing to increases in the Board's operating costs.

The Dental Board estimates that administrative fees will cost the Board approximately \$16,500 in each fiscal year for computer technical support and license renewal banking and revenue processing fees.

## ANALYSIS OF EXECUTIVE PROPOSAL

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**Purpose:** License and regulate the dentistry profession

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

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2004	FY 2005
4K9	880-609	Operating Expenses	\$1,324,156	\$1,346,656
<b>Total funding: Ohio State Dental Board</b>				

### Ohio State Dental Board

**Program Description:** In accordance with Chapter 4715. of the Revised Code, the Ohio State Dental Board regulates the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene, and dental assistant radiography by setting and enforcing standards of practice through licensure, regulation, and enforcement.

**Funding Source:** General Services Fund Group (Fund 4K9). Currently all revenue from 24 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 Item:** 880-609 Operating Expenses

**Executive Recommendation:** The Executive recommends an appropriation of \$1,324,156 in FY 2004. This represents an increase of 3.4% over the estimated FY 2003 disbursements. For FY 2005, the Executive recommends that the Board be appropriated \$1,346,656, which represents a 1.7% increase over the FY 2004 recommended appropriation.

The executive recommendation will enable the Board to maintain its current level of service and will cover its increased administrative fees. The executive recommendations include funding to support increased health care costs and Riffe Center rent, and the Board will continue to publish bi-annual newsletters.

## ADDITIONAL FACTS AND FIGURES

Ohio State Dental Staffing Levels						
					<i>Estimated</i>	
Program Series/Division	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Board Members	7	7	7	7	7	7
Administrative Staff	7	7	7	8	8	8
Investigative Staff	5	6	6	6	6	6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>

### Number of Licensees

License Type	January 2001	June 2002
Dentist	7,262	6,975
Dental Hygienist	6,406	6,506
Dental Assistant Radiographer	7,510	7,918

### Current License Fees

Fees were increased by 35% for FYs 2002-2003. Licenses are renewed on a biennial basis.

	Dentist	Dental Hygienist
Initial License	\$318	\$148
Renewal License	\$220	\$102

### Revenues and Expenditures

Fund 4K9	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002
Revenues	\$273,742	\$1,756,818	\$272,561	\$2,327,136
Expenditures	\$1,010,517	\$927,576	\$1,069,544	\$1,199,283
Net	(\$736,775)	\$829,242	(\$796,983)	\$1,127,853
Two Year Net	\$92,467		\$330,870	

## **PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY LAW**

There are no permanent or temporary law provisions contained in the executive budget that will affect the Board.

## **REQUESTS NOT FUNDED**

<b>Dental Board</b>						
<b>Fund Line Item</b>	<b>FY 2004 Requested</b>	<b>FY 2004 Recommended</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>FY 2005 Requested</b>	<b>FY 2005 Recommended</b>	<b>Difference</b>
4K9 880-609	\$1,346,156	\$1,324,456	(\$21,700)	\$1,353,156	\$1,346,656	(\$6,500)

The Board requested \$21,700 in appropriations in FY 2004 and \$6,500 in FY 2005 that was not funded. According to the Office of Budget and Management, the Dental Board overestimated its payroll in its budget request. OBM is confident that the Board will be able to meet its payroll within the executive recommended appropriation levels.

## General Services Fund Group

### 4K9 880-609 Operating Expenses

2000	2001	2002	2003 Estimate	2004 Executive Proposal	2005 Executive Proposal
\$927,576	\$1,069,544	\$1,199,283	\$1,281,056	<b>\$1,324,456</b>	<b>\$1,346,656</b>
	15.3%	12.1%	6.8%	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>

**Source:** GSF: License fees are received by the Board in several categories relevant to the dentistry profession. Types of licenses include dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants, teachers of the dentistry practice, teachers of radiology used in dentistry, and sponsors of general anesthesia/conscious sedation courses.

**Legal Basis:** ORC 4743.05 (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 152 of the 120th G.A.)

**Purpose:** This appropriation supports the Ohio State Dental Board, which licenses and regulates the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene, and dental assistant radiography in the state. Funds from this line item are used for general operating expenses, including payroll, supplies, and equipment.

**LSC Budget Spreadsheet by Line Item, FY 2004 - FY 2005**

<i>Fund</i>	<i>ALI</i>	<i>ALI Title</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>Estimated 2003</i>	<i>Executive 2004</i>	<i>% Change 2003 to 2004</i>	<i>Executive 2005</i>	<i>% Change 2004 to 2005</i>
<b><i>DEN Dental Board, Ohio State</i></b>								
4K9	880-609	Operating Expenses	\$ 1,199,283	\$1,281,056	\$ 1,324,456	3.4%	\$ 1,346,656	1.7%
<b>General Services Fund Group Total</b>			<b>\$ 1,199,283</b>	<b>\$ 1,281,056</b>	<b>\$ 1,324,456</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>\$ 1,346,656</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
<b>Total All Budget Fund Groups</b>			<b>\$ 1,199,283</b>	<b>\$ 1,281,056</b>	<b>\$ 1,324,456</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>\$ 1,346,656</b>	<b>1.7%</b>