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State Board of Sanitarian Registration

- The Board licenses over 1,500 sanitarians
- The Board received $138,551 in FY 2008 and $138,551 in FY 2009.
- The Board contributed $6,947 more than expended to Fund 4K9 in FY 2006

OVERVIEW

The State Board of Sanitarian Registration is part of the 4K9 Fund group. The 4K9 Fund (Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Fund) is a General Services Fund that is a repository for license fees and other assessments collected by the state's professional and occupational licensing boards. The 4K9 Fund was established by Am. Sub. H.B. 152 of the 120th General Assembly. Prior to the creation of the fund, appropriations for each licensing board were made from the GRF. This created some problems as some boards contributed more revenues than they expended and others had to be subsidized by the GRF since the revenues generated did not meet their expenditures. The 4K9 Fund eliminated these problems. The philosophy of the fund is that each board must generate enough revenues to cover their expenses. It is also quite common for the boards to develop a surplus in the fund to cover unforeseen economic hardships.

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. This is accomplished by minimum education standards, examination, continuing education requirements, and the investigation of complaints filed with the Board. 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.

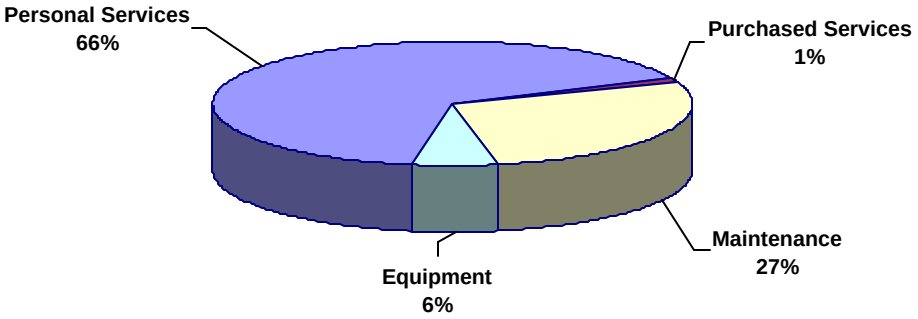
A large majority of the Board's licensees are government employees who must be licensed per government mandate. Most of these government employees work for city or county health departments. The Board currently licenses 1,298 sanitarians and 227 sanitarians-in-training, as well as licensing 104 approved training agencies. The Board renews its licenses annually. In FY 2006, the Board had expenditures and revenues of $127,367 and $134,314, respectively. The Board contributed $6,947 more to Fund 4K9 than it expended for FY 2006.

Governor's Recommendations

The Board requested funding of $138,551 in FY 2008 and $138,551 in FY 2009. The executive recommends full funding for the State Board of Sanitarian Registration.

As shown in the chart above, most of the Board's expenses are for personal services (66%).

Total Budget by Object Code for FY 2008-2009 Biennium



Staffing Levels

Sanitarian Registration Board Staffing Levels						
					Estimated	
Program Series/Division	**2004**	**2005**	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**	**2009**
Board Members	7	7	7	7	7	7
Board Staff	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
Totals	**8.3**	**8.3**	**8.3**	**8.3**	**8.3**	**8.3**

The Board has one intermittent clerk who works approximately 1,000 hours per year. The Board's executive director performs all investigations. In FY 2006, the Board had eight board meetings, as well as nine administrative hearings regarding application denial and one public rules hearing. The Board members are only reimbursed their travel expenses. They do not receive a per diem.

Number of Licensees

License Type	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Registered Sanitarian	1,295	1,294	1,298	1,298
Sanitarian-In-Training	230	230	227	227

Source: Sanitarian Registration Board's Annual Report for FY 2006

Revenues and Expenditures

Fund Group 4K9	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Revenues	$133,127	$129,257	$134,314
Expenditures	$124,795	$125,608	$127,367
Net	$8,332	$3,649	$6,947

Source: Sanitarian Registration Board's Annual Reports for FYs 2004 - 2006

ANALYSIS OF EXECUTIVE PROPOSAL

Single Program Series **Operating Expenses**

Purpose: License and regulate sanitarians in the field of environmental health

The following table shows the line items that are used to fund the State Board of Sanitarian Registration, as well as the Governor's recommended funding levels.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009
General Services Fund				
GSF	4K9	893-609 Operating Expenses	$138,551	$138,551
		General Services Fund Subtotal	**$138,551**	**$138,551**
Total Funding: Sanitarian Registration			**$138,551**	**$138,551**

Program Description: In accordance with Chapter 4736. of the Revised Code, 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: General Services Fund Group (Fund 4K9). Currently, all revenue from the 27 occupational licensing boards is placed in Fund 4K9 and then reallocated to each board. Each board is expected to raise enough revenue through its license fees to cover its expenses.

Line Items: 893-609, Operating Expenses

Implication of Executive Recommendation: The Board requested and received funding of $138,551 in FY 2008 and $138,551 in FY 2009. This funding will maintain current service levels by retaining the 1.3 full-time equivalent employees and serving the current licensed population.

Temporary and Permanent Law Provisions

There are no temporary or permanent law provisions affecting the State Board of Sanitarian Registration.

REQUESTS NOT FUNDED

The State Board of Sanitarian Registration was fully funded.

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General Services Fund Group

4K9 893-609 Operating Expenses

2004	2005	2006	2007 Estimate	2008 House Passed	2009 House Passed
$124,728	$125,216	$127,366	$138,551	**$138,551**	**$138,551**
	0.4%	1.7%	8.8%	**0.0%**	**0.0%**

Source: GSF: License fees and other assessments collected by the state's professional and occupational licensing boards.

Legal Basis: ORC 4736.02 and 4743.05 (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.

LSC Budget Spreadsheet by Line Item, FY 2008 - FY 2009

Fund	ALI	ALI Title	Estimated 2007	As Introduced 2008	House Passed 2008	% Change Est. 2007 to House 2008	As Introduced 2009	House Passed 2009	% Change House 2008 to House 2009
SAN		**Sanitarian Registration, State Board of**							
4K9	893-609	Operating Expenses	$138,551	$ 138,551	$ 138,551	0.0%	$ 138,551	$ 138,551	0.0%
General Services Fund Group Total			**$ 138,551**	**$ 138,551**	**$ 138,551**	**0.0%**	**$ 138,551**	**$ 138,551**	**0.0%**
Total All Budget Fund Groups			***$ 138,551***	***$ 138,551***	***$ 138,551***	***0.0%***	***$ 138,551***	***$ 138,551***	***0.0%***