

Section III: Additional Operating Statistics and Newly Enacted Legislation

This section consists of a table listing some additional operating statistics for the boards and commissions and a brief summary of laws that became effective during FY 2010 that affect operations of the state's occupational licensing and regulatory boards and commissions.

Additional Operating Statistics

Table 4 lists the web site address, the primary renewal cycle, the number of appointed board members, and the staffing level for each of the 40 boards and commissions covered by this report. In most cases, the full-time equivalent (FTE) staff numbers were provided. In some instances, however, full-time (FT) or part-time (PT) staff numbers were reported. The staffing level for each board or commission may include administrative staff, investigators, and inspectors.

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Agency (web site)	Primary Renewal Cycle	Board Members	Staff
Accountancy Board (www.acc.ohio.gov)	Triennial	8	8 FT, 1PT
Architects Board/State Board of Landscape Architect Examiners³ (www.arc.ohio.gov; www.arc.ohio.gov/lae)	Biennial	9	4 FTE
Ohio Athletic Commission (www.aco.ohio.gov)	Annual	5	3 FTE
Auctioneer Program – Department of Agriculture⁴ (www.ohioagriculture.gov/auction/)	Biennial	5	7 FTE
Barber Board (www.barber.ohio.gov)	Biennial	3	7 FTE
Board of Building Standards – Department of Commerce (www.com.ohio.gov/dico/bbs.aspx)	Triennial	15	12 FTE

³ The Architects Board and the State Board of Landscape Architect Examiners share the same administrative staff and operate on a combined budget. Each board has five members.

⁴ In the Auctioneer Program of the Department of Agriculture, three licenses renew biennially and two renew annually. Additionally, of the seven staff members noted for the program, five are investigators that work for the entire Department.

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Chemical Dependency Professionals Board (www.ocdp.ohio.gov)	Biennial	13	5 FTE
State Chiropractic Board (www.chirobd.ohio.gov)	Annual	5	5 FTE
Ohio Construction Industry Licensing Board – Department of Commerce (www.com.ohio.gov/dico/OCILB.aspx)	Annual	17	6 FTE
State Board of Cosmetology (www.cos.ohio.gov)	Biennial	9	34 FTE
Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board (www.cswmft.ohio.gov)	Biennial	15	12 FTE
State Dental Board (www.dental.ohio.gov)	Biennial	13	13 FTE
Ohio Board of Dietetics (www.dietetics.ohio.gov)	Annual	5	3 FT, 1 PT
Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors (www.funeral.ohio.gov)	Biennial	7	6 FTE
Board of Emergency Medical Services – Department of Public Safety (www.ems.ohio.gov)	Triennial	20	30 FTE
State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors (www.peps.ohio.gov)	Annual	5	8 FTE
Division of Financial Institutions – Department of Commerce (www.com.ohio.gov/fiin/)	Annual	N/A ⁵	30 FTE
Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters Licensing Board – Department of Health (www.odh.ohio.gov/odhPrograms/dspc/hdlr/hda main1.aspx)	Annual	8	1 FTE
Division of Industrial Compliance – Department of Commerce⁶ (www.com.ohio.gov/dico/)	Annual	6	1 FTE
Manufactured Homes Commission (www.omhc.ohio.gov)	Biennial	8	5 FTE

⁵ The licenses issued by the Division of Financial Institutions within the Department of Commerce are overseen by the Superintendent of Financial Institutions, not an appointed board.

⁶ The board members noted belong only to the Historical Boiler Board.

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Agency (web site)	Primary Renewal Cycle	Board Members	Staff
State Medical Board⁷ (www.med.ohio.gov)	Biennial	18	80 FTE
Ohio Medical Transportation Board⁸ (www.mtb.oh.gov)	Annual	10	3 FTE
Ohio Board of Motor Vehicle Collision Repair Registration (www.collisionboard.ohio.gov)	Annual	10	3 FTE
Motor Vehicle Dealer's Licensing Board; Motor Vehicle Salvage Dealer's Licensing Board – Department of Public Safety⁹ (www.ohioautodealers.com)	Biennial	4	39 FTE
Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators – Department of Health (www.ohiobenha.org)	Annual	9	6 FTE
Board of Nursing (www.nursing.ohio.gov)	Biennial	13	56 FTE
Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board (www.otptat.ohio.gov)	Biennial	20	8 FTE
Ohio Optical Dispensers Board (www.optical.ohio.gov)	Annual	9	3 FTE
State Board of Optometry (www.optometry.ohio.gov)	Annual	6	3 FTE
State Board of Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics (www.opp.ohio.gov)	Annual	7	1 FT, 1 PT
State Board of Pharmacy (www.pharmacy.ohio.gov)	Annual	9	48 FTE

⁷ The medical board's 80 employees include one intermittent employee.

⁸ The Board uses independent contractors for investigation and inspection work. These contractors are off-duty firefighters, paramedics, and emergency medical technicians who are familiar with the medical equipment and vehicle safety requirements of the vehicles the Board regulates.

⁹ In addition to the three full-time staff that serve the Motor Vehicle Dealer's Licensing Board and Motor Vehicle Salvage Dealer's Licensing Board, other Bureau of Motor Vehicles staff members, most of whom are investigators, spend varying amounts of their time performing inspections and other licensing-related duties on behalf of the two boards.

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Private Investigators/Security Guard Section – Department of Public Safety¹⁰ (www.homelandsecurity.ohio.gov/pisg.htm)	Annual	12	15 FTE
State Board of Psychology (www.psychology.ohio.gov)	Biennial	5	9 FTE
Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing – Department of Commerce¹¹ (www.com.ohio.gov/real)	Triennial/ Annual	17	35 FTE
Ohio Respiratory Care Board (www.respiratorycare.ohio.gov)	Biennial	9	4 FT, 1 PT
State Board of Sanitarian Registration (www.sanitarian.ohio.gov)	Annual	7	1 FT, 1 PT
Division of Securities – Department of Commerce (www.com.ohio.gov/secu/)	Annual	N/A ¹²	30 FTE
Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (www.slpaud.ohio.gov)	Biennial	8	4 FTE
State Veterinary Medical Licensing Board (www.ovmlb.ohio.gov)	Biennial	7	2 FT, 1 PT

Legislation Effective in FY 2010

All of the bills discussed below became effective between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010. Two bills, S.B. 155 and H.B. 648, affected the operations of several boards and commissions. S.B. 155 required that costs associated with auditing state agencies be paid by the respective agency. Previously, these amounts were paid by the Department of Administrative Services. H.B. 648 required state agencies to develop and implement policies dealing with access to private, personal information and to incorporate automated access logs into new database systems containing confidential personal information. H.B. 1, the main operating budget act for FY 2010-FY 2011, also contained

¹⁰ The number of staff does not include two contract investigators who are not on state payroll.

¹¹ The 19 board members belong to the Cemetery Dispute Resolution Commission (nine), Real Estate Appraiser Board (five), and Real Estate Commission (five). Real estate salespersons and real estate brokers, the Division's largest categories of licensure, renew triennially while the rest renew annually.

¹² The licenses issued by the Division of Securities within the Department of Commerce are overseen by the Commissioner of Securities, not an appointed board.

provisions that affected several boards and commissions. The changes made by H.B. 1 and other bills are discussed below.

Athletic Commission

H.B. 1 exempted individuals applying for a license to hold a wrestling event from having to provide a bond with the application. Removing the bond requirement has made it easier for wrestling promoters to become licensed and obtain permits for events.

Ohio Chiropractic Board

H.B. 1 changed the Board's three types of chiropractic licenses from an annual renewal to a biennial renewal. The previous fee was \$250 for annual renewal. The biennial renewal fee, effective April 2010, is \$500.

State Board of Cosmetology

H.B. 1 created a program for reinstating lapsed licenses. Previous law required former licensees to retake their exam, complete continuing education and pay back fees. The amnesty program provides the opportunity for individuals to get their license back in good standing by removing exam requirements, and instead requires individuals to take continuing education coursework that brings them up to speed on industry standards. Fees associated with the program are deposited into the GRF.

Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board

H.B. 1 authorized the Board to charge fees for late renewals, license verification, and continuing education classes offered by the Board. The respective charges for these services are \$40 (\$20 for assistant social workers), \$25, and \$30.

Board of Emergency Medical Services

H.B. 1 required the State Emergency Services Board (EMS) to establish a common expiration date for any EMS certificate to practice or certificate to teach. The bill also required EMS to establish one expiration date for any institution issued a certificate of accreditation.

State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors

H.B. 1 granted the Board the authority to levy a fee of \$24 for an official verification of the status of an Ohio professional engineer or professional surveyor.

Division of Financial Institutions (Department of Commerce)

H.B. 1 implemented the federal Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing Act, which requires licensing of mortgage loan originators. Also, H.B. 292 streamlined the process that the Division follows for closing savings and loan associations and savings banks.

State Medical Board of Ohio

H.B. 1 required the State Medical Board to verify licensure in Ohio for persons applying to practice in another state and eliminates the Board's duty to certify out-of-state license applications. The fee for verification is \$50. The bill also specified that the Board's \$35 fee for issuing a duplicate certificate applies not only when issuing a duplicate certificate to practice, but also when issuing a duplicate certificate of registration.

Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing (Department of Commerce)

H.B. 1 changed various fees that are paid by real estate brokers and salespersons and restructures the way in which these fees are deposited into the funds overseen by the Division.

State Dental Board

H.B. 190 changed the restrictions placed on dental hygienists, allowing them to operate, under certain conditions, without the presence of an overseeing dentist. The bill also made some other licensing and other administrative changes, including allowing dentists to temporarily retire.

Ohio Board of Nursing

S.B. 89 allowed out-of-state or federally employed advanced practice nurses to obtain a certificate to prescribe in Ohio without completing an externship.