

- Fee increases are effective in FY 2004
- Crematories are included under the umbrella of the Board

Embalmers and Funeral Directors, State Board of

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ROLE

The State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors is responsible for maintaining a standard of competency in the industry and regulating and overseeing the licensing of embalmers, funeral directors, and facilities, including crematories, in Ohio. Am. Sub. H.B. 95 included fee increases for seven types of licenses.

Agency In Brief					
Number of Employees*	Total Appropriations-All Funds		GRF Appropriations		Appropriation Bill(s)
	2004	2005	2004	2005	
13	\$564,000	\$595,000	0	0	Am. Sub. H. B. 95

*Employee head count obtained from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) payroll reports as of June 28, 2003.

OVERVIEW

Embalmers have been licensed in Ohio since 1902. Beginning in 1933, funeral directors were required to be licensed. In 1984 Ohio required funeral homes also to be licensed. Most recently, crematories were added to the types of licenses and facilities regulated by the Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors.

BUDGET ISSUES

FEE INCREASES IN AM. SUB. H.B. 95

The following board fees were increased in Am. Sub. H. B. 95. The estimated revenue shown in the table below reflects the total amount expected from the new fees for each fiscal year.

Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors						
Fee Description	R.C. Section	Prior Fee	New Fee	Effective Date	Estimated FY 2004 Revenue	Estimated FY 2005 Revenue
Embalmer – initial	4717.07	\$ 5.00	\$ 140.00	10/1/03	\$ 7,980	\$ 7,980
Funeral director – initial	4717.07	\$ 5.00	\$ 140.00	10/1/03	\$ 11,760	\$ 11,760
Funeral home – initial	4717.07	\$ 125.00	\$ 250.00	10/1/03	\$ 14,500	\$ 14,500
Embalming facility – initial	4717.07	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	10/1/03	\$ 0	\$ 0
Crematory facility – initial	4717.07	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	10/1/03	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400
Embalmer – biennial renewal	4717.07	\$ 120.00	\$ 140.00	10/1/03	\$ 0	\$ 323,820
Funeral Director – biennial renewal	4717.07	\$ 120.00	\$ 140.00	10/1/03	\$ 0	\$ 424,760
Totals					\$ 35,640	\$ 784,220

NOTE: Revenue is based upon the number of applicants in FY 2003.



FY 2004 - 2005 Final Appropriation Amounts

All Fund Group

Line Item Detail by Agency	FY 2001:	FY 2002:	FY 2003:	FY 2004 Appropriations:	% Change 2003 to 2004:	FY 2005 Appropriations:	% Change 2004 to 2005:
Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill		Version: Enacted					
FUN Embalmers and Funeral Directors, State Board of							
4K9 881-609 Operating Expenses	\$ 439,420	\$ 475,335	\$505,321	\$ 563,639	11.54%	\$ 594,870	5.54%
General Services Fund Group Total	\$ 439,420	\$ 475,335	\$ 505,321	\$ 563,639	11.54%	\$ 594,870	5.54%
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