

**State Board of Psychologist Examiners**

A.R.S. § 32-2062

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	<b>FY 2000 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2001 Estimate</b>	<b>FY 2002 Approved</b>	<b>FY 2003 Approved</b>
<b>PROGRAM BUDGET</b>				
State Board of Psychologist Examiners	226,800	284,000	306,100	328,700
Contingency SLI	<u>0</u>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>226,800</b>	<b>286,600</b>	<b>306,100</b>	<b>328,700</b>
<b>OPERATING BUDGET</b>				
Full Time Equivalent Positions	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Personal Services	140,700	151,300	164,100	171,600
Employee Related Expenditures	27,800	20,400	35,800	34,800
Professional and Outside Services	22,700	43,300	44,100	53,100
Travel - In State	3,400	6,800	6,100	6,100
Travel - Out of State	2,200	2,500	4,400	4,400
Other Operating Expenditures	29,900	54,800	51,600	52,100
Equipment	<u>100</u>	<u>4,900</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,600</u>
<i>Operating Subtotal</i>	226,800	284,000	306,100	328,700
Special Line Items (SLI)	<u>0</u>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>226,800</b>	<b>286,600</b>	<b>306,100</b> <sup>1/2</sup>	<b>328,700</b> <sup>2/</sup>
<b>FUND SOURCES</b>				
Board of Psychologist Examiners Fund	<u>226,800</u>	<u>286,600</u>	<u>306,100</u>	<u>328,700</u>
<i>Subtotal - Other Appropriated Funds</i>	<u>226,800</u>	<u>286,600</u>	<u>306,100</u>	<u>328,700</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>226,800</b>	<b>286,600</b>	<b>306,100</b>	<b>328,700</b>

**AGENCY DESCRIPTION** — *The board licenses and regulates psychologists.*

<b>PERFORMANCE MEASURES</b>	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002-03
	Est./Actual	Est./Actual	Estimate	Estimate
• Number of licensees (new and existing)	1,534/1,522	1,563/1,595	1,665	1,735/1,819
• Number of complaints received about licensees	42/42	45/28	30	30
• Average calendar days to resolve a complaint	113/113	110/92	90	90
• Number of investigations	42/42	45/28	30	30
• Average days to process an application for licensure (from receipt of application to issuance)	57/57	45/45	45	45
• Administration as a % of total cost	NA	7/NA	7	7
• Customer satisfaction rating (Scale 1-8)	NA	NA	NA	6

**Salary Increases** — The approved amount includes an increase of \$6,400 in both FY 2002 and FY 2003 above FY 2001 for salary increases. The approved amount increases the salaries of 4 members of the board staff. The increased workload of the board has continued to place additional demands on the staff. Staff salaries are slightly below salaries for comparable positions at other small boards. These increases are in addition to the 5%

statewide salary adjustments scheduled for April 1, 2002 and 2003.

<sup>1/</sup> This appropriation is available for use pursuant to the provisions of A.R.S. § 35-143.01C and is exempt from the provisions of A.R.S. § 35-190, relating to lapsing of appropriations until June 30, 2003. (General Appropriation Act footnote)

<sup>2/</sup> General Appropriation Act funds are appropriated as a Lump Sum by Agency.

**Written Exams** — The approved amount includes a FY 2003 increase of \$6,400 for one-time written examinations. The establishment of the new Arizona School for Professional Psychology is anticipated to produce 20 graduates applying for licensure in its first graduating class in 2003. The board is required to administer the national written examination to these individuals. The board must purchase these exams from a professional testing company that charges \$450 for each exam.

**Computer Equipment** — The approved amount includes a FY 2003 increase of \$6,600 for one-time equipment. The approved amount allows the board to purchase a new computer and 2 new laser printers.

**Contingency Special Line Item** — Pursuant to a footnote in the General Appropriation Act, this Special Line Item provides an additional 20% of annual expenditures or \$50,000, whichever is greater, for unanticipated costs for FY 2001 only. The footnote requires review by the Joint Legislative Budget Committee prior to expenditure of the contingency amounts. This SLI has been eliminated in FY 2002 and FY 2003.

At its May 31, 2001 meeting, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee approved the expenditure of \$2,600 in FY 2001 from the Contingency SLI for increased charges to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH). Only the amount approved by the Committee for expenditure is displayed. The increased charges are due to a new OAH cost allocation plan in which all agencies utilizing OAH services are charged based on actual usage. The FY 2001 base budget included \$0, for a total OAH charge of \$2,600. The approved amount includes a decrease of \$(1,800) in both FY 2002 and FY 2003 from FY 2001, but is shown in the agency's operating budget. In all 3 years, it is the intent of the Legislature that the agency pay the total amount charged under the cost allocation plan.

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