

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Claudia Foutz, Executive Director

A.R.S. § 32-1401

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State Medical Examiners Board Fund	FY 1999 Actual	FY 2000 Estimate	FY 2001 Approved
FTE Positions	44.5	49.5	55.5 ^{1/}
Personal Services	1,393,900	1,550,600	1,801,200
Employee Related Expenditures	287,800	317,900	370,600
Professional and Outside Services	749,000	777,100	740,700
Travel - In State	115,800	50,300	65,900
Travel - Out of State	17,200	8,800	20,800
Other Operating Expenditures	574,100	475,100	461,400
Equipment	270,600	63,000	88,500
Operating Subtotal	3,408,400	3,242,800	3,549,100
Attorney General - Legal Fees	208,700	317,800	388,200 ^{2/}
Examinations	3,100	16,500	16,500
Agency Reconfiguration	0	576,100 ^{3/}	0
Total	3,620,200	4,153,200	3,953,800
Additional Appropriations - BOMEX; Appropriation, Ch. 403	0	0	727,500 ^{2/}
Total Appropriations	3,620,200	4,153,200 ^{4/}	4,681,300 ^{5/}

Agency Description — *The agency licenses, regulates and conducts examinations of medical doctors and physician's assistants.*

Technical Issues — Laws 1999, Chapter 1, 1st Special Session did not include a FY 2001 appropriation for the Board of Medical Examiners. Therefore, the approved supplemental appropriation adds \$3,537,500 in FY 2001 to carry forward the FY 2000 base budget. This carry forward includes various technical adjustments and the elimination of one-time FY 2000 appropriations.

New Staff — The approved supplemental appropriation adds \$209,200 in FY 2001 for 3 new investigator positions and 1 new compliance officer position. Of this amount, \$20,400 is for one-time equipment.

Salary Adjustments — The approved supplemental appropriation adds \$68,900 in FY 2001 to reclassify 10 of the board's current positions, and to increase the salary of the Executive Director.

Computer Equipment — The approved supplemental appropriation adds \$46,300 in FY 2001 for the one-time purchase of laptop computers for board members.

Travel — The approved supplemental appropriation adds \$13,000 in FY 2001 for additional in-state travel expenses,

^{1/} Includes 2 FTE Positions appropriated by Laws 2000, Chapter 403 and 3 FTE Positions appropriated by Laws 1999, Chapter 218, as amended by Laws 2000, Chapter 204.

^{2/} The \$316,300 appropriated for Attorney General - Legal Fees in FY 2000 is specifically designated to pay the expenses of 3 assistant attorney general positions, 2 administrative assistant positions and the 0.5 legal secretary position assigned to the Board of Medical Examiners. The \$391,700 appropriated for Attorney General - Legal Fees in FY 2001 is specifically designated to pay the expenses of 4 assistant attorney general positions, 2 administrative assistant positions and the 0.5 legal secretary position assigned to the Board of Medical Examiners. Any monies not expended for the purpose specified revert to the Board of Medical Examiners Fund. (General Appropriation Act footnote, as amended by Laws 2000, Chapter 3, as amended by Laws 2000, Chapter 403)

^{3/} The Board of Medical Examiners may use the \$576,100 in the Reconfiguration Special Line Item to reconfigure the current office space or relocate to new office space. Before engaging in office reconfiguration or relocation, the board shall report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee on the proposed plan. (General Appropriation Act footnote, as amended by Laws 2000, Chapter 3)

^{4/} 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, 2001. In addition to the amounts appropriated in FY 2001, an increase of \$50,000 or 20% of the agency's total appropriations, whichever is greater is appropriated to the agency in FY 2001 for unanticipated costs. Before expending any of these monies, the agency shall submit the intended use of the monies to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee for review. (General Appropriation Act footnote, as amended by Laws 2000, Chapter 3)

^{5/} General Appropriation Act funds are appropriated as an Operating Lump Sum with Special Line Items by Agency.

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and \$12,000 in FY 2001 for additional out-of-state travel expenses.

Agency Reconfiguration — The approved supplemental appropriation adds one-time funding of \$176,100 to the Agency Reconfiguration Special Line Item in FY 2000 for additional relocation expenses.

Attorney General - Legal Fees — The approved supplemental appropriation adds \$62,700 to the Attorney General - Legal Fees Special Line Item in FY 2001 for an additional Assistant Attorney General.

Additional Appropriations: BOMEX; Appropriation (Chapter 403) - This bill amends Laws 1999, Chapter 1, 1st Special Session as amended by Laws 2000, Chapter 3 (Supplemental Appropriation Act) by increasing the board's FY 2001 FTE and expenditure authority. A total of \$727,500 has been added for 2 new FTE Positions, Web site development, salary increases, computer equipment and office furniture. Of this amount, \$590,500 is for one-time expenditures. The appropriation also includes a \$3,500 increase in the Attorney General - Legal Fees Special Line Item. This brings the total FY 2001 appropriation to \$4,681,300. The footnotes have been amended to conform.

Additional Legislation: BOMEX; Licensure (Chapter 204) - This bill amends Laws 1999, Chapter 218, 1st Regular Session by extending the date that the board must establish its Web site to January 1, 2001. The original bill appropriated \$300,000 and 3 FTE Positions for this purpose. The availability of these appropriations has been extended from August 31, 2000 to January 1, 2001.

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