

**STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY**

A.R.S. § 32-1701

Vacant, Executive Director

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<b>Board of Optometry Fund</b>	<b>FY 1998 Actual</b>	<b>FY 1999 Estimate</b>	<b>FY 2000 Approved</b>	<b>FY 2001 Approved</b>
FTE Positions	1.8	1.8	2.0	2.0
Personal Services	67,200	67,400	68,500	69,700
Employee Related Expenditures	12,400	11,400	12,000	13,000
Professional and Outside Services	20,300	22,500	31,200	30,400
Travel - In State	5,000	7,500	7,500	7,500
Travel - Out of State	1,100	700	1,400	1,000
Other Operating Expenditures	6,000	7,300	8,500	8,500
Equipment	0	200	3,600	200
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>112,000</b>	<b>117,000</b>	<b>132,700</b> <sup>1/2/</sup>	<b>130,300</b> <sup>2/</sup>

**Agency Description** — *The board licenses and regulates optometrists and issues certificates authorizing the use of diagnostic pharmaceutical agents. An optometrist examines eyes, measures vision, and prescribes corrective lenses and treatments which do not require a licensed physician.*

**State Boards' Office** — The approved amount includes \$6,000 in FY 2000 for increased expenditures generated by the State Boards' Office. In FY 2001, this amount is reduced by \$(800).

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**Computer** — The approved amount includes \$4,500 in FY 2000 for computer related expenditures including \$3,400 for a new computer, modem and software, \$400 for program training classes, and \$700 for programming services. In FY 2001, this amount is reduced by \$(3,400) due to one-time equipment expenditures.

**Contact Dispenser Registration** — The approved FY 2000 amount includes \$1,200 for operating expenditures related to the registration of nonresident dispensers of contact lenses, as mandated by A.R.S. § 32-1771-1774. The funds will cover additional printing and mailing expenditures generated by approximately 50 new licensees. In addition, the 0.8 FTE Position is increased to 1 FTE Position at the same salary level due to the increased workload brought on by the additional licensees. This amount is continued in FY 2001.

**Professional and Outside Services** — The approved FY 2000 amount includes an increase of \$1,000 for the services of a test proctor and \$600 for legal services. This amount is continued in FY 2001.

**International Association of Boards of Optometry Meeting** — The approved FY 2000 amount includes \$700 for the travel and registration expenditures for the Executive Director's attendance of the meeting. In FY 2001, this amount is decreased by \$(400) for the one-time registration fee.

<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, 2001. (General Appropriation Act footnote)

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