

- 343 unique licensees in FY 2002

Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics, State Board of

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ROLE

The State Board of Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics, created by S.B. 238 of the 123rd General Assembly, licenses and regulates orthotists, prosthetists, and pedorthists, ensuring those individuals meet minimum education and experience qualifications. The Board meets its responsibilities through management of the licensure process, overseeing regulation of the industry, and enforcement through surveillance of licensees and investigation of complaints.

Agency In Brief					
Number of Employees*	Total Appropriations-All Funds		GRF Appropriations		Appropriation Bill(s)
	2004	2005	2004	2005	
1	\$100,000	\$102,000	\$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


The State Board of Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics is appropriated \$100,206 for FY 2004, which represents an increase of 15.3% over FY 2003 expenditures. For FY 2005, the Board is appropriated \$102,395 for FY 2005, which is an increase of 2.2%. The appropriations will provide for current service levels and will cover the increased administrative costs passed onto the Board by other state agencies. The appropriations also include funding for the Board to hire a part-time clerical employee to reduce the heavy workload of the only current FTE (i.e., the Board Director).

BUDGET ISSUES

NEW LICENSING SYSTEM

The occupational licensing boards, in partnership with the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), are working to implement a new licensing system. The system will be phased in over the current biennium and each board will pay its share of the costs out of Fund 4K9. The Board will pay to DAS an annual fee during the current biennium of about \$400 and a monthly fee of about \$140 to maintain the system.

INCREASED ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

During the previous biennium, occupational licensing boards had to absorb increased administrative costs charged by other state agencies. Many boards contracted for services that were once provided for free such as lock-box services and computer technical support. The Board's appropriations in Am. Sub. H.B. 95 will cover these increased costs. The State Board of Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics will be able to manage renewal in-house and will not have to contract for these services. 

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					
OPP Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics							
4K9 973-609 Operating Expenses	----	\$ 84,889	\$86,877	\$ 100,206	15.34%	\$ 102,395	2.18%
General Services Fund Group Total	----	\$ 84,889	\$ 86,877	\$ 100,206	15.34%	\$ 102,395	2.18%
Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics Total	----	\$ 84,889	\$ 86,877	\$ 100,206	15.34%	\$ 102,395	2.18%