

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 428 - Massage Board Operations

Funding Sources: MMT - Massage Therapy Board

The Arkansas State Board of Massage Therapy was created to upgrade the standards of practice and education of massage therapy and regulate the practice of massage therapy in the State of Arkansas. The Board has statutory authority to examine and inspect all massage therapy schools, offices, and clinics in the State. The Board is required to hold at least one examination each year, and may hold other examinations from time to time. Certificates of registration are issued annually for Massage Therapists, Master Massage Therapists, Massage Therapy Instructors, Massage Therapy schools, and Massage Therapy offices or clinics.

Base Level Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching includes Career Service payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching also includes a \$20 increase in the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$410 per month. Base Level salaries and matching do not include appropriation for a Cost of Living Adjustment or Merit Pay Increases.

The Change Level request of \$80,918 in each year of the biennium reflects the following:

Restoration of two positions from the Central Growth Pool, a Massage Therapy Inspector and an Administrative Specialist II, and reclassification of one position, Therapy Technology Board Secretary, from a grade C115 to a grade C124, increasing Regular Salaries appropriation by \$47,542 and Personal Services Matching by \$21,576 each year.

An \$11,800 appropriation increase each year in Operating Expenses related to travel expenses for the Board's inspector, rent of a larger facility and to provide appropriation for the Board's first educational workshop.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request, with the exception of the position reclassification request. This position is recommended at a grade C120 with a title change to ASBMT Executive Director.

The Legislative Recommendation concurs with the Executive Recommendation.

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Commitment Item		2011-2012	2012-2013	2012-2013	2013-2014			2014-2015		
		Actual	Budget	Authorized	Agency	Executive	Legislative	Agency	Executive	Legislative
Regular Salaries	5010000	91,366	122,940	76,000	123,387	124,871	124,871	123,487	124,971	124,971
#Positions		4	4	2	4	4	4	4	4	4
Personal Services Matching	5010003	30,591	48,668	26,393	49,664	50,144	50,144	49,689	50,169	50,169
Operating Expenses	5020002	50,994	51,290	51,290	63,090	63,090	63,090	63,090	63,090	63,090
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Fees	5060010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		172,951	222,898	153,683	236,141	238,105	238,105	236,266	238,230	238,230
Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	245,435	260,726		162,828	162,828	162,828	81,687	79,723	79,723
Special Revenue	4000030	188,242	125,000		155,000	155,000	155,000	155,000	155,000	155,000
Total Funding		433,677	385,726		317,828	317,828	317,828	236,687	234,723	234,723
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(260,726)	(162,828)		(81,687)	(79,723)	(79,723)	(421)	3,507	3,507
Grand Total		172,951	222,898		236,141	238,105	238,105	236,266	238,230	238,230

FY13 Budget amounts in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching exceed the authorized amounts due to transfers from the Agency Growth Pool during the 2011-2013 biennium.