

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: A28 - Cash Operations

Funding Sources: 360 - Towing & Recovery - Cash

The Towing & Recovery Board was established under Arkansas Code Annotated §27-50-1203 to regulate Arkansas' towing industry. The Board is responsible for promulgating and administering rules and regulations for the industry, establishing licensing, insurance and safety equipment requirements for towing and related services and establishing tow truck safety requirements for vehicles utilized for commercial purposes. The Board issues towing business licenses and tow vehicle safety permits, assesses late filing fees, and investigates allegations of violations.

Funding is derived from fees levied on towing businesses.

Base Level Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching include the continuation of the previously authorized 2015 1% Cost of Living Adjustment and Career Service payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching also includes a \$10 increase in the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$420 per month. Base level salaries and matching do not include appropriation for Merit Pay Increases. The Base Level request for Regular Salaries includes board member stipend payments.

The Board requests a Change Level decrease of \$10,771 each year for the following:

- Elimination of Extra Help and Personal Services Matching of \$10,771. Better utilization of the existing staff has made the Extra Help position unnecessary.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request. Expenditure of appropriation is contingent upon available funding.

The Legislative Recommendation concurs with the Executive Recommendation.

Appropriation Summary

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Commitment Item		2013-2014	2014-2015	2014-2015	2015-2016			2016-2017		
		Actual	Budget	Authorized	Agency	Executive	Legislative	Agency	Executive	Legislative
Regular Salaries	5010000	102,836	139,781	143,169	140,840	140,840	140,840	140,840	140,840	140,840
#Positions		4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Extra Help	5010001	7,556	10,000	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
#Extra Help		1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Personal Services Matching	5010003	42,661	55,733	49,305	55,886	55,886	55,886	55,886	55,886	55,886
Operating Expenses	5020002	50,564	47,124	47,124	47,124	47,124	47,124	47,124	47,124	47,124
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Fees	5060010	6,000	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200
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		209,617	259,838	256,798	251,050	251,050	251,050	251,050	251,050	251,050
Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	237,989	268,637		214,313	214,313	214,313	195,763	195,763	195,763
Cash Fund	4000045	240,265	205,514		232,500	232,500	232,500	232,500	232,500	232,500
Total Funding		478,254	474,151		446,813	446,813	446,813	428,263	428,263	428,263
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(268,637)	(214,313)		(195,763)	(195,763)	(195,763)	(177,213)	(177,213)	(177,213)
Grand Total		209,617	259,838		251,050	251,050	251,050	251,050	251,050	251,050

FY15 Budget amount in Personal Services Matching exceeds the authorized amount due to matching rate adjustments during the 2013-2015 Biennium.