

**75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2009 Regular Session
BUDGET REPORT AND MEASURE SUMMARY**

MEASURE: SB 5527-A

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

**Carrier – House: Rep. Komp
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Monroe**

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed A-Engrossed

Vote: 15 – 6 – 1

- House – Yeas: Buckley, D. Edwards, Jenson, Komp, Kotek, Nathanson, Shields, G. Smith
– Nays: Garrard, Gilman, Richardson
– Exc: Galizio
- Senate – Yeas: Bates, Carter, Johnson, Monroe, Verger, Walker, Winters
– Nays: Girod, Nelson, Whitsett
– Exc:

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Meeting Date: April 10, 2009

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Health Related Licensing Boards	---	---	2009-11 2007-09

Budget Summary*

	2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget (1)	2009-11 Essential Budget Level	2009-11 Committee Recommendation	Committee Change from 2007-09 Leg. Approved	
				\$\$ Change	% Change
Other Funds	\$ 3,508,889	\$ 3,963,726	\$ 3,976,509	\$ 467,620	13.3%

Position Summary

Authorized Positions	18	18	19	+1
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions	16.12	16.12	16.70	+0.58

**2007-09 Supplemental
Appropriation**

124,483

(1) Includes adjustments through the December 2008 meeting of the Emergency Board

* Excludes Capital Construction expenditures

Summary of Revenue Changes

The budgets for the Health Related Licensing Boards are supported by Other Fund revenues generated by examination, application and license fees.

Occupational Therapy Licensing Board

The Subcommittee ratified Senate Bill 5528, a fee restructuring the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board enacted during the 2007-09 biennium. The Board reduced fees and modified their in-state and out-of-state fee rates so they are equal. The reduction and restructure is expected to reduce Other Fund revenues by \$3,060.

Board of Radiologic Technology

The Subcommittee approved a fee increase of 25 percent for the Board of Radiologic Technology’s licensing fee. This increase is expected to generate \$111,648 additional Other Fund revenues.

Summary of Education Subcommittee Action

Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians

The Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians oversees a voluntary licensing program for dietitians who want to use the title “Licensed Dietician.” Licensed Dietitians are subject to disciplinary programs. The Subcommittee approved a budget of \$81,866 Other Funds and a 0.30 full-time equivalent positions (FTE). This is a 0.2 percent increase from the 2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget and a 3.7 percent increase from the 2009-11 Essential Budget Level.

The Subcommittee approved a technical adjustment to accommodate rent expenses by an expenditure limitation increase of \$2,895.

Oregon Mortuary and Cemetery Board

The Mortuary and Cemetery Board regulates the individuals and facilities engaged in the care, preparation, processing, transportation and final disposition of human remains through licensing, inspection, and disciplinary programs. The Subcommittee approved a budget of \$1,312,966 Other Funds and 6.0 FTE positions. The budget reflects a 20.1 percent increase from the 2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget and an 8.3 percent change from the 2009-11 Essential Budget Level.

The Board will experience significant cash flow issues during the initial months of the 2009-11 biennium. The Board is expected to pursue a loan from the Oregon State Treasurer to cover the shortfall.

The Subcommittee approved Package 171 at a cost of \$100,729 Other Funds and 1.0 permanent FTE, an investigator. The expenditure limitation for the investigator position should be unscheduled by the Department of Administrative Services until the loan has been repaid.

Board of Naturopathic Examiners

The Board of Naturopathic Examiners regulates naturopathic physicians through licensing and disciplinary programs. The Subcommittee approved a budget of \$529,869 and 2.0 FTE. The budget reflects a 27.8 percent increase from the 2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget and a 10.5 percent increase from the 2009-11 Essential Budget Level.

The Subcommittee approved Package 180 at a cost of \$42,310 for a temporary investigator. Package 181 is approved at a cost of \$6,000 for background checks on applicants for licenses. The Subcommittee also approved a technical adjustment to accommodate rent expenses by an expenditure limitation increase of \$2,070.

Occupational Therapy Licensing Board

The Occupational Therapy Licensing Board regulates the practice of occupational therapy through licensing and disciplinary programs. The Subcommittee approved a budget of \$361,756 Other Funds and 1.25 FTE positions. The budget reflects a 21.9 percent increase from the 2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget and a 0.4 percent increase from the 2009-11 Essential Budget Level.

The Subcommittee also approved a technical adjustment to accommodate rent expenses by an expenditure limitation increase of \$1,515.

Veterinary Medical Examining Board

The Veterinary Medical Examining Board regulates the practice of veterinary medicine through licensing and disciplinary programs. The Subcommittee approved a budget of \$691,999 and 2.75 FTE positions. The budget reflects a 24 percent increase from the 2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget and a 9.6 percent increase from the 2009-11 Essential Budget Level.

The Subcommittee approved Package 100 at a cost of \$56,868 to increase the Board's investigator from 0.5 to 0.75 FTE. The Subcommittee also approved a technical adjustment to accommodate rent expenses by an expenditure limitation increase of \$3,801.

Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology regulates speech-language pathologists, speech-language pathology assistants, and audiologists through licensing and disciplinary programs. The Subcommittee approved a budget of \$338,982 and 1.40 FTE positions. The budget reflects a 13.2 percent increase from the 2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget and a 3.9 percent increase from the 2009-11 Essential Budget Level.

The Subcommittee approved Package 101 at a cost of \$4,800 for enhanced investigation expenses. Package 102 is approved at a cost of \$3,000 for additional Attorney General expenses. The Subcommittee approved a technical adjustment to accommodate rent expenses by an expenditure limitation increase of \$5,075.

Board of Radiologic Technology

The Board of Radiologic Technology regulates the use of ionizing radiation on human beings, including diagnostic radiography (X-rays) and radiation therapy. The Subcommittee approved a budget of \$659,071 and 3.0 FTE positions. The budget reflects a 20.2 percent increase from the 2007-09 Legislatively Approved Budget and a 1.7 percent increase from the 2009-11 Essential Budget Level.

The Subcommittee approved Package 153 for \$3,900 for conference room remodeling expenses. Package 154 is approved at a cost of \$4,500 for upgrades to current electronic licensing and data base systems. Package 156 is approved at a cost of \$2,500 to purchase ergonomic furniture.

2007-09 Supplemental Appropriations

The Subcommittee approved a \$55,000 Other Funds expenditure limitation increase for the 2007-09 budget for the Board of Naturopathic Examiners to cover increased Attorney General and Hearings Officer expense for hearings.

The Subcommittee approved a \$4,875 Other Funds expenditure limitation increase for the 2007-09 budget for the Board of Examiners of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology to cover rent costs not included in the 2007-09 budget.

The Subcommittee approved a \$39,689 Other Funds expenditure limitation increase for the 2007-09 budget for the Board of Radiologic Technology to cover the cost of licensing examinations that was omitted during budget development.

The Subcommittee approved a \$2,729 Other Funds expenditure limitation increase for the 2007-09 budget for the Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians to cover rent costs not included in the 2007-09 budget.

The Subcommittee approved a \$2,070 Other Funds expenditure limitation increase for the 2007-09 budget for the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board to cover rent costs not included in the 2007-09 budget.

The Subcommittee approved a \$20,120 Other Funds expenditure limitation increase for 2007-09 budget for the Veterinary Medical Examining Board to cover increased Attorney General and Hearings Officer expense for hearings.

Summary of Performance Measure Action

See attached Legislatively Adopted 2009-11 Key Performance Measures form.