

Veterinary Medical Examiners Board				
	2011-13 Actuals	2013-15 Leg. Approved	2015-17 CSL LFO	2015-17 Governor's
Other Funds	579,583	756,229	800,298	933,465
Total Funds	579,583	756,229	800,298	933,465
Positions	3	3	3	4
FTE	2.75	2.75	2.75	3.75

*Includes Emergency Board and administrative actions through December 2014

Program Description

The Veterinary Medical Examining Board protects animal health and welfare, public health, and consumers of veterinary services. The Board determines license qualifications and licenses veterinarians, veterinary technicians, euthanasia shelters, and euthanasia technicians; investigates consumer complaints and disciplines licensees found to be in violation of the Veterinary Practice Act; conducts national board examinations for veterinary technicians; and monitors advances and changes in the profession to determine minimum practice standards to ensure ongoing public and animal health. The Board is 100% Other Funds, through revenue generated from licensure and renewal fees.

CSL Summary and Issues

None

Policy Issues

The agency requests \$142,066 Other Funds to hire an Inspector (1.00 FTE) to inspect veterinary facilities. This package assumes passage of an LC requiring registration of veterinary facilities in Oregon. The staffing increase would be partially funded through the annual facility registration fee of \$125. Initial estimates provided by the Board did not indicate that the inspection program would be self-funding based on the proposed registration fee and estimated number of facilities.

Other Issues

The Board is investigating the proposition of conducting background checks for applicants.

Co-Chairs Working Budget Assumptions

The Co-Chair working budget did not provide specific detail on the agency budget.