

HB 5014
Board of Dentistry

House Bill 5014 is the budget bill for the Oregon Board of Dentistry.

The Subcommittee on Education approved an Other Funds budget of \$3,010,692 and 8 positions (8.00 FTE). The budget is a 15.5% increase from the 2013-2015 legislatively approved budget and the projected ending balance of \$693,568 will leave the Board with approximately 5.5 months of operating expenses.

The Subcommittee approved the establishment of a permanent full-time Dental Investigator position in order to address increases in volume and complexity of complaints. The addition of the Dental Investigator position will allow the Board to phase out the use of contract investigators and reduce the average time of investigations from 10 months to three and a half months.

The Subcommittee approved a fee increase, effective July 1, 2015. The biennial fees for dental licenses will be increased from \$315 to \$390 and the biennial fees for dental hygienists will be increased from \$155 to \$230. The fee increase is necessary to fund the continued operations of the Board while maintaining an adequate ending balance.

The Subcommittee also reviewed and approved the Board's Key Performance Measures.

The Education Subcommittee recommends House Bill 5014 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.