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BIENNIAL OPERATING BUDGET 2026-2027 Senate Health Committee Senator Stephen A. Huffman, Chair

Good Morning – Chairman Huffman, Vice-Chair Johnson, Ranking Member Liston, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you. It is an honor to speak to you today about the Board's FY 2026/2027 biennial budget request. My name is Liz Moore. I am the Executive Director of the Board. I have served in this capacity since 2021 and have been employed by the Board since 1998.

The Board licenses and regulates chiropractic, animal chiropractic and acupuncture performed by chiropractic physicians. The Board consists of five members, four chiropractic physicians and one public member and a staff of four full time employees. The Board receives no General Revenue Funding, with fees entirely supporting the Board's operational costs.

To accomplish the Board's mission of public protection, the Board fulfills numerous responsibilities to make certain that the citizens of the state of Ohio are afforded care from competent and qualified chiropractic physicians. These responsibilities include:

- Issuing and renewing licenses promptly, efficiently, and accurately.
- Maintaining and updating the Board website to provide clear, detailed information to licensees, applicants, and the public.
- Conducting thorough and timely investigations, and enacting corrective action measures and disciplinary action when merited.
- Reviewing rules and procedures on a regular and consistent basis to ensure the Board is regulating the profession consistently and that no unnecessary barriers exist for individuals applying for licensure.

The Board performs numerous other activities and services such as developing and maintaining a jurisprudence examination at no extra cost to the license applicant, clarifying/interpreting its laws and rules, administrative rules filings and development, filling public records requests, and administrative functions such as fiscal, human resources, payroll processing, records retention, and inventory management.

The Board's FY 2026/2027 biennial budget as recommended, reflects the funding necessary to maintain current operations and continue to accomplish its mission of public protection. The Board continually strives to improve upon the efficiency of its services and processes with the goal of cost containment and making Ohio business friendly. Fiscal responsibility has enabled the Board to maintain its current fee structure since 1997. The Board maintains a balance in the 4K90 fund and revenue continues to exceed expenditures.

The Board is proud of its accomplishments in the chiropractic profession and is viewed as an important presence in national chiropractic regulation. In 2023, the Board was presented with the Outstanding Regulatory Board Award from the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards. The Board was specifically recognized for protecting patients through responsible governance, cost containment, having a solid foundation, consistency, institutional memory, and foresight.

The Board respectfully requests that its recommended budget for FY 2026/2027 be granted so that it may continue to regulate the chiropractic profession for the safety of Ohio's citizens.

Thank you for the opportunity to present the Ohio State Chiropractic Board's FY 2026/2027 biennial budget request.