



State of Ohio
Ohio State Chiropractic Board

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Biennial Operating Budget 2022-2023
Finance Subcommittee on Health and Human Services
Representative Bill Roemer, Chair

Good Afternoon – Mr. Chairman – Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you. The Chiropractic Board was created in 1975 to license and regulate the practice of chiropractic. Since that time, we now also license and regulate acupuncture performed by chiropractors and issue intern licenses for students to preceptor with Ohio licensees during the final clinical phase of their chiropractic education.

The Board accomplishes its mission with a Board consisting of five members and a staff of four full time employees.

The Board receives no General Revenue funding and is solely funded from renewal and application fees. The Board's sound fiscal decisions and program improvements allowed us to maintain the same application and renewal fee structure for 25 years and we are at our lowest staffing level since 1996.

The creation of the Chiropractic Loan Repayment Program last fall in Sub. HB 151 requires the Board to deposit \$25 from each renewal fee into the Program. This will necessitate a \$25 renewal fee increase so that we may comply with the new law. The increase will not impact the Board's budget.

As indicated in our request, our goals and priorities for the biennium include promptly issuing and renewing licenses; conducting thorough and timely investigations and imposing appropriate disciplinary action; identifying methods to improve program delivery and operational effectiveness and efficiency, and continue to evaluate our rules for clarity and conciseness, ease of compliance and removing any barriers to licensure or practice.

The Board respectfully requests that the Continuing Priorities in our Operating B request be approved so that we may maintain the same high level of service we are currently providing to the public and our licensees.

Thank you for the opportunity to present the Ohio State Chiropractic Board's 2022/2023 biennial budget request.