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BIENNIAL OPERATING BUDGET 2024-2025 Finance Subcommittee on Health & Human Services Representative Sara P. Carruthers, Chair

Good Morning – Chairwoman Carruthers, Ranking Member Liston, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you. My name is Elizabeth Moore. I am the Executive Director of the State Chiropractic Board. It is an honor to speak to you today about the Board's FY 2024/2025 biennial budget request.

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, fees entirely support the Board's operational costs.

I am very pleased to submit this budget request reflecting a decrease from our current biennial level of funding. This decrease is in large part due to a recent office space reduction resulting in a 36% reduction in rent. This allows the Board to continue its fee structure which has stood for over 25 years. All of this has been accomplished while maintaining excellent feedback from our online customer service satisfaction survey.

The Board's goals and priorities for the FY 2024/2025 biennium include:

- Protect the health, safety, and welfare of Ohio's citizens.
- Issue and renew licenses promptly, efficiently, and accurately.
- Conduct thorough and timely investigations, enact corrective action measures, and levy disciplinary action when merited.
- Review 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.
- Cost control.

The Board is proud of its accomplishments in the chiropractic profession and is viewed as an important presence in national chiropractic regulation. With funding to maintain our current operations, we can continue to regulate the chiropractic profession for the greatest benefit of Ohio's consumers.

Thank you for the opportunity to present the Ohio State Chiropractic Board's 2024/2025 biennial budget request.