BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

The Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology's mission is to protect the public by licensing and regulating the performance of speechlanguage pathologists, speech-language pathology assistants, and audiologists. The Board adopts rules governing standards of practice; investigates alleged violations; and grants, denies, suspends, and revokes licenses. The seven-member board consists of five industry professionals and two public members and is appointed by the Governor.

BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY	2009-11 Actuals	2011-13 Leg. Approved	2013-15 Current Service Level	2013-15 Governor's Budget	2013-15 Co- Chairs' Budget (1.0)	% Change 2011- 13 LAB to 2013-15 CSL
Other Funds	362,046	404,495	423,359	625,070	0	4.7%
TOTAL FUNDS	\$362,046	\$404,495	\$423,359	\$625,070	\$0	4.7%
Positions	3	2	2	3	0	0.0%
FTE	1.63	1.40	1.40	2.50	0.00	0.0%

Major Revenues	Budget Environment	Comparison by Fund Type			
 The Board is funded entirely from Other Funds, primarily application, license, and certification fees. Other miscellaneous revenue includes late fees, interest income, and sale of mailing lists and copies of public records. A previously requested fee increase was denied by Legislature in 2011 and fees reverted back to the 2009 levels with direction to return to the Legislature with a new fee increase proposal. 	 Continued growth in licensees. 1,900 active licensees on a two-year renewal cycle (even numbered years). Increase in licensing and enforcement workload. The Board has an estimated \$208,253 ending balance at current service level, which is approximately 12 months of operations. 	BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY			

MAJOR CHALLENGES AND DECISION POINTS

1	. Board's proposed fee increase was denied by the 2011 Legislature and adjusted to the 2009 level with direction to return with a new fee increase proposal. Current fee increase proposal would generate revenue of \$226,425 Other Funds.	
2	. Policy package to increase Executive Director from 0.60 FTE to 1.00 FTE.	
3	. Policy package to increase Administrative Specialist from 0.80 FTE to 1.00 FTE.	
4	. Policy package to add permanent Investigator position 0.50 FTE.	
5	. Policy package to allow criminal background checks with the fees passing through directly to Oregon State Police.	
e	Policy package reductions in the GRB for statewide PERS Taxation Policy and Other PERS adjustments totaling (\$9,788) Other Funds.	
7	. Policy package reductions in the GRB for statewide administrative savings totaling (\$462) Other Funds.	
8	. Proposed legislation (SB 302) would transfer the Board of Speech- Language Pathology and Audiology to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.	

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