BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

The mission of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners is to protect and benefit the public health and safety, and to promote quality in the chiropractic profession. The Board regulates Doctors of Chiropractic and Certified Chiropractic Assistants through examination, licensing, and disciplinary programs. The seven-member board is appointed by the Governor and composed of five chiropractors and two public members.

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS	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	1,221,987	1,261,261	1,371,217	1,475,711	0	8.7%
TOTAL FUNDS	\$1,221,987	\$1,261,261	\$1,371,217	\$1,475,711	\$0	8.7%
Positions	5	5	5	6	0	0.0%
FTE	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.88	0.00	0.0%

Major Revenues	Budget Environment	Comparison by Fund Type
 The Board of Chiropractic Examiners is funded entirely from Other Fund revenues. Other Funds include: Licensure and renewal fees Charges for services Fines and forfeitures 	 Continued growth in licensees Increasing legal costs 	BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

MAJOR CHALLENGES AND DECISION POINTS

- 1. Ongoing legal expenses for contested cases in excess of the current service level budget for the upcoming biennium are expected. The Board has requested an increase in Other Funds limitation in the early session bill for legal fees that exceeded the LAB in the 2011-13 biennium, however, that increase in limitation is not captured in the current service level budget for the upcoming biennium. Therefore, an increase in Other Funds limitation is included as a policy option package in the Governor's budget for Attorney General fees.
- 2. Because of the number and complexity of investigations the Board seeks to add a half-time position for a chiropractic physician to assist in the investigation of complaints and policy issues. It would not be possible to fund this position without an increase in revenue.
- 3. Budget shortfall. The Current Service Level (CSL) budget for the Board is structurally imbalanced. Expenditures exceed revenues by \$91,340, meaning that at this budget level the Board is eroding their ending balance and would eventually be unable to continue operating without additional revenue.
- 4. Proposed fee increases. Increased fees for licensure and renewal of both Doctors of Chiropractic and Chiropractic Assistants are included in the Governor's budget. These increases are expected to produce an additional \$203,252 for the biennium. Since the current fees are at their statutory maximum, this increase would require a change to statute.
- 5. Proposed legislation would allow the Board to set fees by rule and free the agency from the statutory limits currently in place. The proposed legislation has been filed as SB 106.