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To: Ways and Means Education Sub-committee

Fr: Nancy Schuberg, Executive Director

Re: Statistics of OT / OTA renewal fees and licensee count, per state.

During the February 9, 2023 hearing of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board's budget, Rep. McLain requested the renewal fee and licensee count per state. Attached is the information requested. In reviewing the data here are some considerations:

1. The fee data is not tracked by our national OT organizations. The national association, (AOTA) stated it was too difficult to track and that not all states have their fees published in regulation, and sometimes the names for fees are different, making it difficult to compare. The fees provided on the attached list are based on research by the board staff based on review of state regulations and websites.
2. In researching this information, we have found a variety of different fee structures among states. Some states may charge less for a renewal fee but charge a greater amount for reinstatement / late fees, temporary licenses, limited permits or application fees.
3. Additionally, some boards include charges for name changes, wall certificates, license replacements, inactive licenses, as well as a fee to complete the jurisprudence exam. The Oregon OT board does not charge for these items.
4. Senator Dembrow asked how the state boards are funded. This information is also not tracked by the AOTA. Board staff reviewed state websites as noted above; however, it was not clear by reviewing the websites and regulations which states receive funding by the state and which fees are paid solely by licensees. It is also possible that state OT board budgets may be combined with other health boards in setting the fees.
5. Three new educational programs are starting up in Oregon in the next two years. If the board finds that it has extra reserves due to an increase in licensure, the board would likely reduce its fees. The board has reduced its fees before, in 2008 and 2010.
6. The OTLB 23-25 budget/fee increase was presented to the state association (OTAO) leadership on February 3, 2023. They did not oppose the fee increase and reacted in support of the OTLB.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 971-673-0198 or nancy.schuberg@otlb.oregon.gov.

**OT and OTA Licensees data by State with Renewal fee
2/10/23**

State	Licensed OT's 2022	Licensed OTA 2022	Total 2022	OT License Renewal Fee	OTA License Renewal Fee	Frequency of Renewal
Alabama	1954	1038	2992	\$140	\$115	Biennial
Alaska	586	62	648	\$200	\$130	Biennial
Arizona	2981	1379	4360	\$135	\$70	Biennial
Arkansas	1878	1092	2970	\$100	\$100	Annual*
California	15545	3807	19352	\$270	\$210	Biennial
Colorado	4555	1073	5628	\$69	\$69	Biennial
Connecticut	3246	1146	4392	\$205	\$205	Biennial
Delaware	812	371	1183	\$223	\$88	Biennial
Dist. of Columbia	845	58	903	\$50	\$50	Biennial
Florida	11016	6863	17879	\$60	\$60	Biennial
Georgia	4398	1581	5979	\$65	\$50	Biennial
Guam	22	1	23			Could not locate data
Hawaii	338	121	459	\$186	\$186	Biennial
Idaho	963	323	1286	\$40	\$30	Biennial
Illinois	7598	2979	10577	\$20	\$10	Biennial
Indiana	4240	1982	6222	\$100	\$100	Biennial
Iowa	1811	772	2583	\$60	\$60	Biennial
Kansas	1862	929	2791	\$144	\$144	Annual*
Kentucky	3112	1239	4351	\$100	\$70	Annual*
Louisiana	2251	947	3198	\$200	\$150	Annual*
Maine	1642	230	1872	\$70	\$60	Annual*
Maryland	3909	1120	5029	\$280	\$200	Biennial
Massachusetts	6834	1969	8803	\$100	\$100	Biennial
Michigan	6786	1986	8772	\$162.20	\$162.20	Biennial
Minnesota	4466	1227	5693	\$185	\$105	Biennial
Mississippi	1187	646	1833	\$150	\$100	Biennial
Missouri	4295	2050	6345	\$30	\$10	Biennial
Montana	629	108	737	\$220	\$220	Annual*
Nebraska	1541	280	1821	\$120	\$120	Biennial
Nevada	1267	400	1667	\$250	\$175	Biennial
New Hampshire	1676	268	1944	\$110	\$110	Biennial
New Jersey	7755	1514	9269	\$160	\$100	Biennial
New Mexico	1080	512	1592	\$120	\$110	Biennial
New York	16409	4849	21258	\$90	\$75	Triennial*
North Carolina	5508	2540	8048	\$100	\$100	Annual*
North Dakota	815	206	1021	\$150	\$110	Biennial
Ohio	7087	5142	12229	\$70	\$70	Biennial
Oklahoma	1194	1280	2474	\$100	\$100	Biennial
Oregon	2535	580	3115	\$200	\$140	Biennial
Pennsylvania	9814	3606	13420	\$55	\$45	Biennial
Rhode Island	882	531	1413	\$140	\$140	Biennial
South Carolina	2879	1454	4333	\$100	\$80	Biennial
South Dakota	609	187	796	\$100	\$100	Annual*
Tennessee	3433	1812	5245	\$100	\$100	Biennial
Texas	11801	6548	18349	\$248	\$184	Biennial
Utah	1266	477	1743	\$47	\$47	Biennial
Vermont	581	134	715	\$50	\$50	Biennial
Virginia	4871	1817	6688	\$135	\$135	Biennial
Washington	4194	1203	5397	\$157	\$137	Biennial
West Virginia	859	591	1450	\$140	\$120	Biennial
Wisconsin	4179	1456	5635	\$75	\$75	Biennial
Wyoming	438	163	601	\$220	\$120	Annual*
TOTAL	192434	74649	267083			

Oregon Speech Therapist \$250 Biennial Renewal Fee
Oregon Physical Therapist \$229 Biennial Renewal Fee (Semi-independent board)
Oregon Occupational Therapist \$240 (Proposed biennial fee)

Note:

of Licensed OT Data by state is taken from AOTA survey of state regulatory boards and rosters of licensees.
Fee data taken from state websites, rules and from PTProgress.com website.
*Fees listed have been converted to biennial amounts for the purpose of comparison.