

**FY 2010 BUDGET REDUCTIONS - SUMMARY OF ISSUES
BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS**

ALL NON-GENERAL FUNDS

FY 2010 All Non-General Funds Budget (less Federal Funds) **125,200**

AGENCY REDUCTION TARGET - ALL NON-GENERAL FUNDS (w/o Federal Funds) \$18,780

Fund	Reductions Amount	Percent Reductions
Dispensing Opticians Board Fund	\$18,780	100.0%
Issue Total	\$18,780	
All Non-General Funds Total as a Percentage of Agency Non-GF Reduction Target		100%

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Priority	Issue Title¹	Reductions Amount
1	Fund Cash Balance	\$18,780
	Issue Total	\$18,780

Fund Total as a Percentage of Non-General Fund Reduction Target 100%

Please complete the attached Description and Impact Statement for each issue.

**STATE OF ARIZONA
FY 2010 BUDGET REDUCTIONS - ISSUE DESCRIPTIONS**

State Board of Dispensing Opticians

Issue Title: 15% Reduction

Issue Priority: 1

Reduction Amounts:

Dispensing Opticians Fund: \$18,780

Total: \$18,780

Issue Description and Statement of Effects

To reduce 15% of the appropriation, the Board would be reducing the amount paid to the Department of Administration for Rent, Mail Service, Printing Services, Phone Service, and Accounting and Financial Services.

Taking these services out of the budget would amount to ceasing operations. This would result in a danger to the general public of Arizona. With no regulation of dispensing opticians and optical establishments, the visual health of the citizens of Arizona would be at risk.

The State Board of Dispensing Opticians runs on a shoestring budget as it is. This is a self-supporting regulatory agency. This Board is a "one person" agency. There is one staff person, the Director. The Director processes all incoming mail, provides preliminary investigation for the Board. Answers all phone calls, attends all meetings, prepares annual budgets, reports for the agency, lobbies on behalf of the Board, prepares Board meeting agendas, documents, and minutes. The director issues licenses and mails out and processes renewals for over 1,000 licensees. As well as preparing all rule writing and legislative issues. To reduce the required 15% this would cease to cover the rent for the office, rented from DOA, any and all services provided by the Department of Administration. The phones would be shut off. The agency would essentially stop functioning.

The Board is already contributing 10 percent of the funds received to the general fund. To take more of the Boards funds would amount to an additional tax on the licensees regulated by this Board. The Board can afford, (as a last resort) for the reduction amount to be reduced from the cash balance of the Board of Dispensing Opticians fund.