

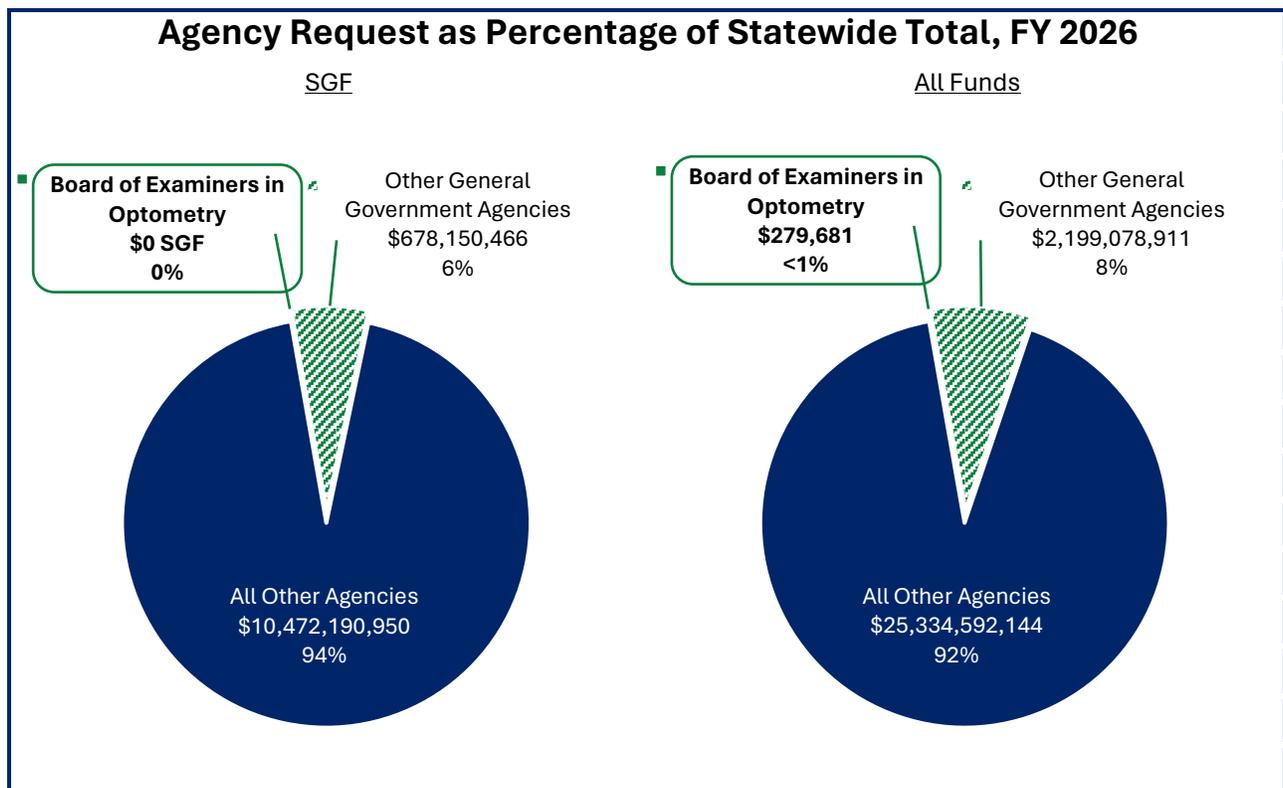
# BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY

## Budget Summary – Agency Request

### Executive Summary

The Board of Examiners in Optometry was created in 1909 to administer and enforce the provisions of the Optometry Act to ensure the highest quality of eye care is provided to the citizens of Kansas. The agency is responsible for evaluating the qualifications of new applicants for the practice of optometry through examinations and review of qualifications. Upon creation, there were approximately 70 licensees in Kansas. As of today, there are approximately 750 optometrists licensed in Kansas.

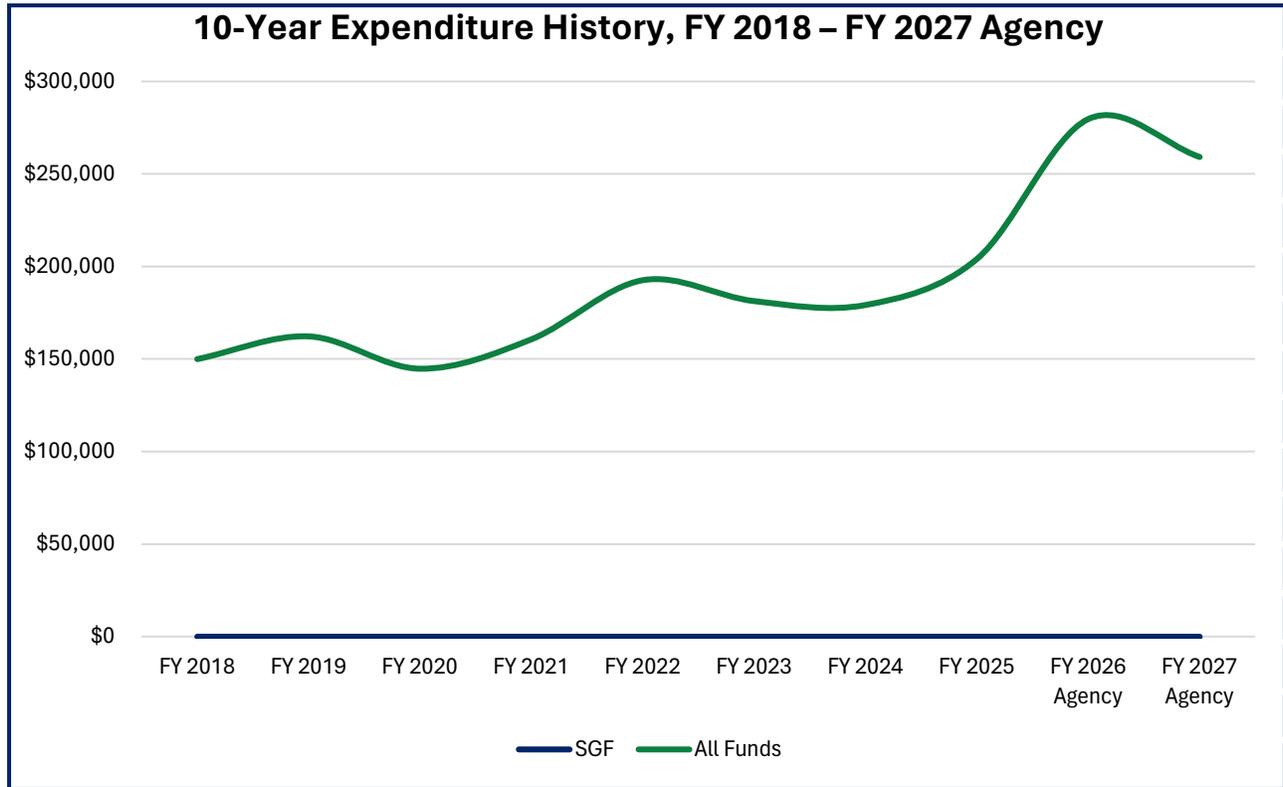
| Expenditures by Fiscal Year and Version |      |            |  |      |
|---|------|------------|--|------|
|   | SGF  | All Funds  |  | Note |
| FY 2024 Actual                          | \$ - | \$ 179,233 | Actual expenditures                        |      |
| FY 2025 Actual                          | -    | 204,083    | Actual expenditures                        |      |
| FY 2026 Approved                        | -    | 279,681    | <a href="#">2025 SB 125</a>                |      |
| FY 2026 Agency                          | -    | 279,681    | Revised estimate, submitted September 2025 |      |
| FY 2027 Agency                          | -    | 259,184    | Revised estimate, submitted September 2025 |      |



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### Summary of Expenditures



| Fiscal Year    | SGF    |            | All Funds |            | FTE    | CPI-U* |     |
|----------------|--------|------------|-----------|------------|--------|--------|-----|
|                | Amount | Change (%) | Amount    | Change (%) |        |        |     |
| FY 2018        | \$     | -          | \$        | 149,996    | 5.8    | 1.00   | 0.2 |
| FY 2019        |        | -          |           | 162,279    | 8.2    | 1.00   | --  |
| FY 2020        |        | -          |           | 144,808    | (10.8) | 1.00   | 0.8 |
| FY 2021        |        | -          |           | 160,702    | 11.0   | 1.00   | 2.4 |
| FY 2022        |        | -          |           | 192,626    | 19.9   | 1.00   | 9.2 |
| FY 2023        |        | -          |           | 181,336    | (5.9)  | 1.00   | 5.8 |
| FY 2024        |        | -          |           | 179,233    | (1.2)  | 1.00   | 3.0 |
| FY 2025        |        | -          |           | 204,083    | 13.9   | 2.00   | 3.0 |
| FY 2026 Agency |        | -          |           | 279,681    | 37.0   | 2.00   | 2.8 |
| FY 2027 Agency |        | -          |           | 259,184    | (7.3)  | 1.00   | 2.4 |

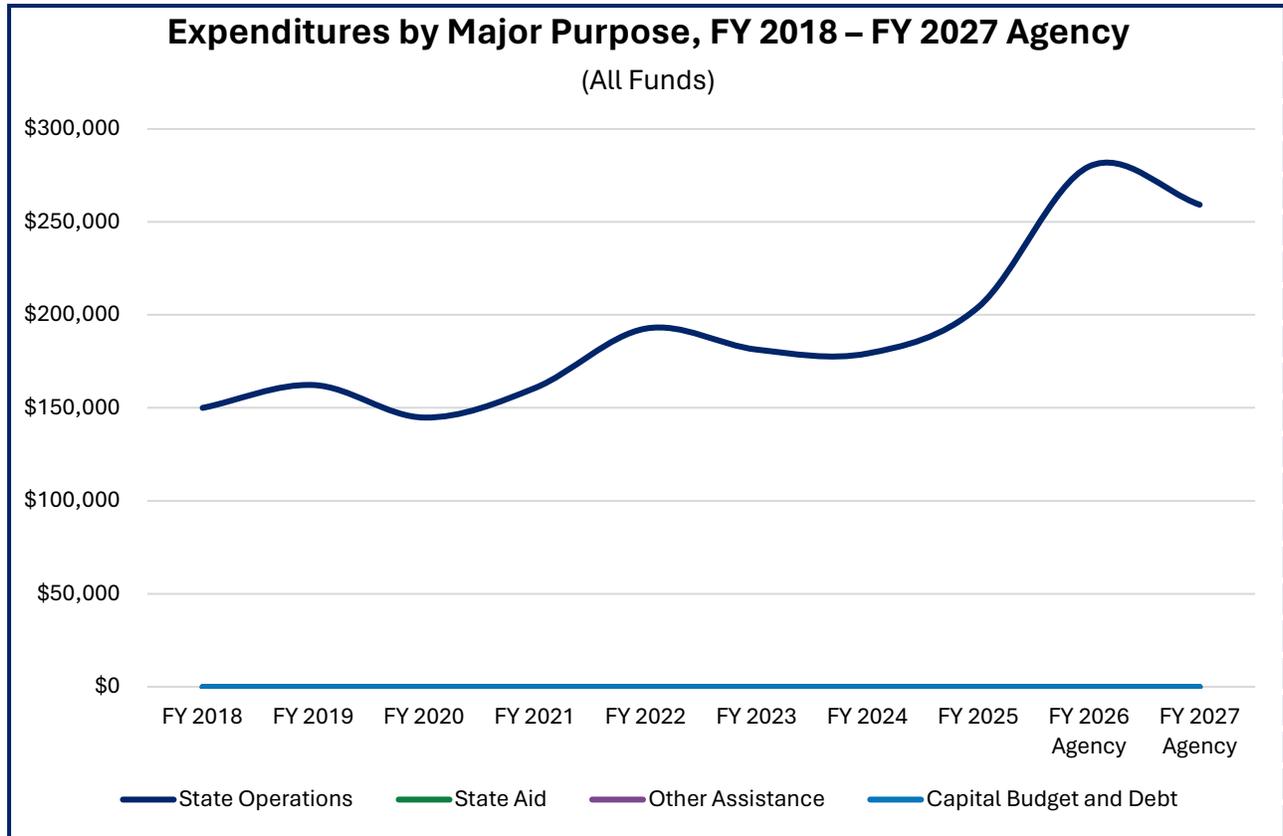
|                                    |    |   |     |         |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------|----|---|-----|---------|------|------|------|
| 5-Year Change<br>(FY 2023–2027)    | \$ | - | \$  | 77,848  | 42.9 | -    | 11.6 |
| 10-Year Change<br>(FY 2018–2027)   |    | - |     | 109,188 | 72.8 | -    | 33.1 |
| 3-Year Average**<br>(FY 2023–2025) |    | - | N/A | 188,217 | N/A  | 1.33 | N/A  |

\* Note : Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers estimate for FY 2026–2027 is from the Consensus Revenue Estimating Group.

\*\* Note : Reflects the three most recent years of actuals data.

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**Expenditures by Category, FY 2024 – FY 2027 Agency**  
(All Funds)

|                                 | FY 2026<br>Agency<br>% of Total | FY 2024<br>Actual | FY 2025<br>Actual | FY 2026<br>Approved | FY 2026<br>Agency | FY 2027<br>Agency |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>State Operations</b>         |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
| Salaries and Wages              | 44.0 %                          | \$ 79,842         | \$ 100,303        | \$ 122,622          | \$ 122,998        | \$ 97,874         |
| Contractual Services            | 55.6                            | 98,262            | 102,543           | 155,859             | 155,483           | 160,110           |
| Commodities                     | 0.4                             | 1,129             | 1,237             | 1,200               | 1,200             | 1,200             |
| Capital Outlay                  | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Operating Adjustments           | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                 | <b>100.0 %</b>                  | <b>\$ 179,233</b> | <b>\$ 204,083</b> | <b>\$ 279,681</b>   | <b>\$ 279,681</b> | <b>\$ 259,184</b> |
| <b>State Aid and Assistance</b> |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
| Aid to Locals                   | -- %                            | \$ -              | \$ -              | \$ -                | \$ -              | \$ -              |
| Other Assistance                | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                 | <b>-- %</b>                     | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>         | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>       |
| <b>Capital Budget and Debt</b>  |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
| Capital Improvements            | -- %                            | \$ -              | \$ -              | \$ -                | \$ -              | \$ -              |
| Debt Service Principal          | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Debt Service Interest           | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                 | <b>-- %</b>                     | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>         | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>       |
| <b>Reappropriations</b>         | <b>-- %</b>                     | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>         | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ -</b>       |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>              | <b>100.0 %</b>                  | <b>\$ 179,233</b> | <b>\$ 204,083</b> | <b>\$ 279,681</b>   | <b>\$ 279,681</b> | <b>\$ 259,184</b> |

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### State Operations

| Expenditures by Classification, FY 2024 – FY 2027 Agency |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| (State Operations, All Funds)                            |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
|  | FY 2026<br>Agency<br>% of Total | FY 2024<br>Actual | FY 2025<br>Actual | FY 2026<br>Approved | FY 2026<br>Agency | FY 2027<br>Agency |
| <b>Salaries and Wages</b>                                |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
| Employee Pay   | 29.1 % \$                       | 58,791 \$         | 73,176 \$         | 84,865 \$           | 81,508 \$         | 68,413            |
| Employee Benefits  | 14.8                            | 21,051            | 27,127            | 37,757              | 41,490            | 29,461            |
| Shrinkage  | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  | <b>44.0 % \$</b>                | <b>79,842 \$</b>  | <b>100,303 \$</b> | <b>122,622 \$</b>   | <b>122,998 \$</b> | <b>97,874</b>     |
| <b>Contractual Services</b>                              |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
| Communication  | 2.3 % \$                        | 7,440 \$          | 5,143 \$          | 6,400 \$            | 6,400 \$          | 6,400             |
| Fees (Professional)                                      | 19.1                            | 33,482            | 33,846            | 53,500              | 53,500            | 53,500            |
| Fees (Other Services)                                    | 17.7                            | 26,162            | 26,424            | 49,424              | 49,424            | 54,932            |
| Freight and Express                                      | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Printing and Advertising                                 | 0.9                             | 2,519             | 2,853             | 2,500               | 2,500             | 2,600             |
| Rent and Leases  | 3.9                             | 4,974             | 5,186             | 11,350              | 10,974            | 4,550             |
| Repair and Servicing                                     | 4.2                             | 11,459            | 11,400            | 11,625              | 11,625            | 12,000            |
| Travel and Subsistence                                   | 6.3                             | 9,705             | 15,454            | 17,500              | 17,500            | 22,568            |
| Utilities  | 0.3                             | 840               | 840               | 960                 | 960               | 960               |
| Other  | 0.9                             | 1,681             | 1,397             | 2,600               | 2,600             | 2,600             |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  | <b>55.6 % \$</b>                | <b>98,262 \$</b>  | <b>102,543 \$</b> | <b>155,859 \$</b>   | <b>155,483 \$</b> | <b>160,110</b>    |
| <b>Commodities</b>                                       |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
| Clothing   | -- % \$                         | - \$              | - \$              | - \$                | - \$              | -                 |
| Equipment and Parts                                      | 0.2                             | 298               | 146               | 500                 | 500               | 500               |
| Food   | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Fuel   | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Motor Vehicle Parts                                      | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Supplies (Office)  | 0.2                             | 152               | 10                | 500                 | 500               | 500               |
| Supplies (Professional)                                  | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Supplies (Research)                                      | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Other  | 0.1                             | 679               | 1,081             | 200                 | 200               | 200               |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  | <b>0.4 % \$</b>                 | <b>1,129 \$</b>   | <b>1,237 \$</b>   | <b>1,200 \$</b>     | <b>1,200 \$</b>   | <b>1,200</b>      |
| <b>Capital Outlay</b>                                    |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
| Books  | -- % \$                         | - \$              | - \$              | - \$                | - \$              | -                 |
| Computer Hardware  | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Computer Software  | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Equipment, Furniture                                     | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Information Processing                                   | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Telecommunications                                       | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| Other  | --                              | -                 | -                 | -                   | -                 | -                 |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  | <b>-- % \$</b>                  | <b>- \$</b>       | <b>- \$</b>       | <b>- \$</b>         | <b>- \$</b>       | <b>-</b>          |
| <b>Operating Adjustments</b>                             |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
|  | -- % \$                         | - \$              | - \$              | - \$                | - \$              | -                 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>100.0 % \$</b>               | <b>179,233 \$</b> | <b>204,083 \$</b> | <b>279,681 \$</b>   | <b>279,681 \$</b> | <b>259,184</b>    |

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### Expenditures by Fund

| Expenditures by Fund, FY 2024 – FY 2027 Agency |                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                   |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|  | FY 2026<br>Agency<br>% of Total | FY 2024<br>Actual | FY 2025<br>Actual | FY 2026<br>Approved | FY 2026<br>Agency | FY 2027<br>Agency |
| State General Fund                             | -- % \$                         | - \$              | - \$              | - \$                | - \$              | -                 |
| Optometry Fee Fund                             | 99.1                            | 177,118           | 202,088           | 277,181             | 277,181           | 256,684           |
| Criminal History and<br>Fingerprinting Fund    | 0.9                             | 2,115             | 1,995             | 2,500               | 2,500             | 2,500             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                   | <b>100.0 % \$</b>               | <b>179,233 \$</b> | <b>204,083 \$</b> | <b>279,681 \$</b>   | <b>279,681 \$</b> | <b>259,184</b>    |

### Fee Fund Analysis

The Optometry Fee Fund generates revenue from the collection of fees relating to the licensing of optometrists. Of these fees, the lesser of 10.0 percent or \$100,000 is remitted to the State General Fund (SGF), and the remaining funds are credited to the Optometry Fee Fund, per [KSA 75-3170a\(a\)](#).

| Optometry Fee Fund                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |  |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| FY 2024 – FY 2027 Agency                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |  |
|  | FY 2024<br>Actual | FY 2025<br>Actual | FY 2026<br>Agency | FY 2027<br>Agency |  |
| Beginning Balance                          | \$ 223,897        | \$ 349,694        | \$ 346,454        | \$ 263,538        |  |
| <b>Revenue</b>                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |  |
| License – Personal Services                | \$ 180,884        | \$ 196,338        | \$ 192,465        | \$ 204,840        |  |
| Clerical Services                          | 2,484             | 2,510             | 1,800             | 1,800             |  |
| Recovery of Prior Fiscal Year Expenditures | 35                | -                 | -                 | -                 |  |
| Operating Transfers In                     | 93,000            | -                 | -                 | -                 |  |
| Encumbrances                               | 26,512            | -                 | -                 | -                 |  |
| <b>Subtotal – Revenue</b>                  | <b>\$ 302,915</b> | <b>\$ 198,848</b> | <b>\$ 194,265</b> | <b>\$ 206,640</b> |  |
| Total Amount Available                     | \$ 526,812        | \$ 548,542        | \$ 540,719        | \$ 470,178        |  |
| <b>Expenditures</b>                        |                   |                   |                   |                   |  |
| Salaries and Wages                         | \$ 79,842         | \$ 100,303        | \$ 122,998        | \$ 97,874         |  |
| Contractual Services                       | 96,147            | 100,548           | 152,983           | 157,610           |  |
| Commodities                                | 1,129             | 1,237             | 1,200             | 1,200             |  |
| Capital Outlay                             | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 |  |
| <b>Subtotal – Expenditures</b>             | <b>\$ 177,118</b> | <b>\$ 202,088</b> | <b>\$ 277,181</b> | <b>\$ 256,684</b> |  |
| <b>Ending Balance</b>                      | <b>\$ 349,694</b> | <b>\$ 346,454</b> | <b>\$ 263,538</b> | <b>\$ 213,494</b> |  |

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| Board of Examiners in Optometry Fees, FY 2026 |    |             |                  |    |                |
|---|----|-------------|------------------|----|----------------|
| Fee   |    | Current Fee | Statutory Limit* |    | Previous Fee** |
| Initial license examination fee               | \$ | 150         | \$ 450           | \$ | No Change      |
| Reciprocal license                            |    | 150         | 450              |    | No Change      |
| Biennial Renewals                             |    | 550         | 800              |    | 450            |
| Late Fee                                      |    | 500         | 500              |    | No Change      |
| Reinstatement Fee                             |    | 500         | 800              |    | No Change      |
| New/Duplicate license                         |    | 30          | 150              |    | No Change      |
| Reactivation of license                       |    | 100         | 450              |    | No Change      |
| Fingerprint Fee                               |    | 57          | -                |    | 45             |

\* Note: The authority for these fees is found in [KSA 65-1505](#), [KSA 65-1509](#), and [KAR 65-4-3](#). The fingerprint fee has no set statutory limit.

\*\* Note: These fees were changed in FY 2023.

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### FY 2026 Analysis

| Summary of Agency Budget Request, FY 2026 |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|--|
|   | SGF         | Optometry<br>Fee Fund | All Other<br>Funds | Total             | FTE<br>Positions |  |
| <b>Approved, FY 2026</b>                  |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
| 1. 2025 SB 125, without Reappropriations  | \$ -        | \$ 277,181            | \$ 2,500           | \$ 279,681        | 2.0              |  |
| <b>Reappropriations</b>                   |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
| No Reappropriations                       | \$ -        | \$ -                  | \$ -               | \$ -              | --               |  |
| <b>Supplemental Requests</b>              |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
| No Supplemental Requests                  | \$ -        | \$ -                  | \$ -               | \$ -              | --               |  |
| <b>Agency Changes</b>                     |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
| No Agency Changes                         | \$ -        | \$ -                  | \$ -               | \$ -              | --               |  |
| <b>TOTAL – Agency Revised Estimate</b>    | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ 277,181</b>     | <b>\$ 2,500</b>    | <b>\$ 279,681</b> | <b>2.0</b>       |  |

### Approved Budget

#### 1. 2025 SB 125

The 2025 Legislature passed, and the Governor enacted, one bill appropriating and adjusting funding for state agencies. Select appropriations for this agency include:

- **Pay Plan:** The Legislature approved increasing funding for salary increases by \$3,477, all from the Optometry Fee Fund, in FY 2026 to provide salary increases for most state employees based on the Department of Administration’s market survey for FY 2026.
- **Cross Training a New Executive Director:** The Legislature approved increased funding for salaries and wages (\$19,133) and contractual services (\$22,309) related to cross-training a new Executive Officer for three months for FY 2026.

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### FY 2027 Analysis

| Summary of Agency Budget Request, FY 2027 |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|--|
|   | SGF         | Optometry<br>Fee Fund | All Other<br>Funds | Total             | FTE<br>Positions |  |
| <b>Approved, FY 2027</b>                  |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
| 1. 2025 SB 125, without Reappropriations  | \$ -        | \$ 254,869            | \$ 2,500           | \$ 257,369        | 1.0              |  |
| <b>Enhancement Requests</b>               |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
| No Enhancement Requests                   | \$ -        | \$ -                  | \$ -               | \$ -              | --               |  |
| <b>Agency Changes</b>                     |             |                       |                    |                   |                  |  |
| 2. Fringe Benefits                        | \$ -        | \$ 1,815              | \$ -               | \$ 1,815          | --               |  |
| <b>TOTAL – Agency Request</b>             | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ 256,684</b>     | <b>\$ 2,500</b>    | <b>\$ 259,184</b> | <b>1.0</b>       |  |

### Approved Budget

#### 1. 2025 SB 125

[KSA 75-3717\(f\)](#) requires select agencies, of a primarily regulatory nature, to submit a budget request for an additional fiscal year at the beginning of a biennium. The Board of Examiners in Optometry is one such biennial agency and has an approved budget for FY 2027. The agency’s approved budget includes:

- **Contracted Services:** The Legislature added \$28,642, all from the Optometry Fee Fund, in expected expenditures for contracted services for FY 2027; and
- **Official Hospitality:** The Legislature added language to increase the agency's hospitality spending limit to \$1,000 for FY 2027.

### Agency Changes

#### 2. Fringe Benefits

The agency request includes an increase of \$3,897 in fringe benefits from the Board of Examiners Fee Fund. This increase is offset by a decrease of \$2,082 in contractual services.