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(a) There is a State Board of Dental Examiners Fund.

(b) (1) The Board may set reasonable fees for the issuance and renewal of licenses and its other services.

(2) The fees charged shall be set so as to approximate the cost of maintaining the Board.

(3) Funds to cover the compensation and expenses of the Board members shall be generated by fees set under this section.

(c) (1) The Board shall pay all funds collected under this title to the Comptroller of the State.

(2) The Comptroller shall distribute the fees to the State Board of Dental Examiners Fund.

(d) (1) The Fund shall be used to cover the actual documented direct and indirect costs of fulfilling the statutory and regulatory duties of the Board as provided by the provisions of this article.

(2) The Fund is a continuing, nonlapsing fund, not subject to § 7-302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(3) Any unspent portions of the Fund may not be transferred or revert to the General Fund of the State, but shall remain in the Fund to be used for the purposes specified in this article.

(4) No other State money may be used to support the Fund.

(e) (1) In addition to the provisions of subsection (d) of this section, the Board shall fund:

(i) The budget of a dental well–being committee, as defined in § 4–501.1 of this title, with fees set, collected, and distributed to the Fund under this title; and

(ii) The budget of a dental hygiene well–being committee, as defined in § 4–508 of this title, with fees set, collected, and distributed to the Fund under this title.

(2) After review and approval by the Board of a budget submitted by the Maryland State Dental Association for a dental well–being committee, the Board may

allocate moneys from the Fund to the dental well–being committee.

(3) After review and approval by the Board of a budget submitted by the Maryland Dental Hygienists' Association for a dental hygiene well–being committee, the Board may allocate moneys from the Fund to a dental hygiene well–being committee.

(f) (1) A designee of the Board shall administer the Fund.

(2) Moneys in the Fund may be expended only for any lawful purpose authorized under the provisions of this article.

(g) The Legislative Auditor shall audit the accounts and transactions of the Fund as provided in § 2-1220 of the State Government Article.

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