

Role and Overview

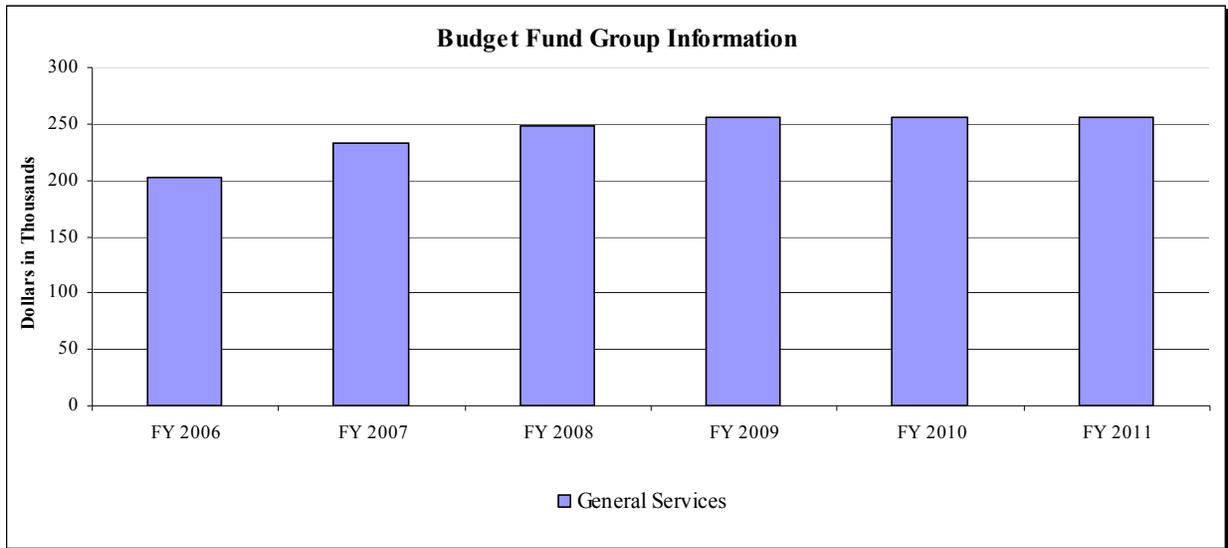
The Athletic Commission (ACO) was established to regulate boxing, mixed martial arts, wrestling, kickboxing, karate, tough person contests, and athlete agents. The board monitors licensees to ensure compliance with the laws and rules of the state. The board’s annual budget of approximately \$256,000 supports two full-time employees in addition to five commissioners. ACO has approximately 1,550 licensees.

More information about the Athletic Commission is available at <http://aco.ohio.gov/>.

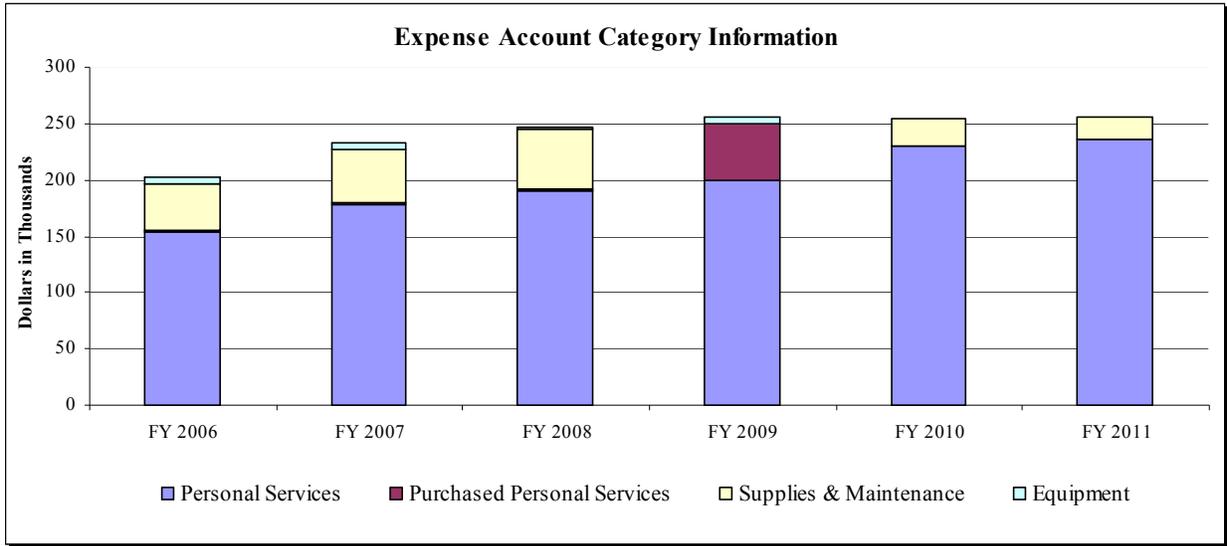
Agency Priorities

- Place all license forms on-line for all categories of licensing and bonding.
- Continually revise existing and introduce new safety measures and regulations for contestants participating in these sports.
- Set high standards for those competing in tough man and tough person contests by establishing an additional weight class and a senior division for contestants thirty-five years and older.
- Seek legislation to increase fines and penalties to deter serious violations of rules and regulations.
- Improve regulations for the safety of all who compete in the regulated sports.

Summary of Budget History and Recommendations



(In Thousands)	ACTUAL			EST.	%	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	CHANGE	FY 2010	%	FY 2011	%
General Services	203	233	248	256	3.3	256	0.0	256	0.0
TOTAL	203	233	248	256	3.3	256	0.0	256	0.0



(In Thousands) EXPENSE ACCOUNT CATEGORY	ACTUAL			EST.	% CHANGE	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 08-09	FY 2010	% CHANGE	FY 2011	% CHANGE
Personal Services	154	178	191	200	4.9	230	15.1	236	2.2
Purchased Personal Services	1	1	1	50	3,914.2	0	-100.0	0	0.0
Supplies & Maintenance	42	48	53	0	-100.0	25	100.0	20	-20.2
Equipment	6	6	2	6	145.9	0	-100.0	0	0.0
TOTAL	203	233	248	256	3.3	256	0.0	256	0.0

PROGRAM SERIES 01: Regulation

This program series contributes to ensuring the health, safety, and general welfare of citizens of the state through oversight of the regulated profession.

Program 01.01: License/Registration/Enforcement

This program includes all operations of the Athletic Commission.

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

- Regulate the enforcement of rules for boxing, kickboxing, karate, tough person, and mixed martial arts sporting events;
- Support licensing application and renewal of 1,550 licensees;
- Renew approximately 55 athlete agent licenses over the biennium;
- Increase screening for illicit drug use;
- Continue to improve on rules and regulations to make for a safer and more competitive environment for participating contestants; and
- Conduct officials' seminars.

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FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2010	FY 2011
GSF	4K90	175609	Operating Expenses	255,850	255,850
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				255,850	255,850

LINE ITEM SUMMARY - Athletic Commission

FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2006 ACTUAL	FY 2007 ACTUAL	FY 2008 ACTUAL	FY 2009 ESTIMATE	FY 2010 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE	FY 2011 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
4K90	175609	Operating Expenses	203,455	232,801	247,624	255,850	255,850	0.0	255,850	0.0
TOTAL General Services			203,455	232,801	247,624	255,850	255,850	0.0	255,850	0.0
TOTAL Athletic Commission			203,455	232,801	232,801	255,850	255,850	0.0	255,850	0.0