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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

- TO: Jun Maiquis Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
- FROM: Scott Meriwether, Office of the Lieutenant Governor 465.4081

DATE: October 28, 2016

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Regulations re: Occupational Licensing Fees for Board of Examiners in Optometry (12 AAC 02.300)

Attorney General File:JU2016200763Regulation Filed:October 27, 2016Effective Date:November 26, 2016Print:220, January 2017

cc with enclosures:

Linda Miller, Department of Law Micaela Fowler, Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development Dianne Blumer, Administrative Regulation Review Committee Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The attached one page of regulations, dealing with initial application fee for optometrists, is adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development adopts under the authority of AS 08.01.063, AS 08.01.065, and AS 08.72.191 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Although no public comments were received, the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

otober 13, 2016 DATE:

Janey Hovenden, Director Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on \underline{OO} , \underline{AP} , 2016 at \underline{IO} , .m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 – 44.62.120.

Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor

Effective: <u>November 26</u> 2016 Register: <u>220</u>, January 2017





Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Delegation of Authority

In accordance with AS 44.17.010, the authority and responsibility for adopting regulations, outside of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing (CBPL), but for the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED), under the Alaska Administrative Procedure Act, is hereby delegated to:

> Micaela Fowler Legislative Liaison Office of the Commissioner DCCED P.O. Box 110800 Juneau, AK 99811-0800 907-465-2503

In accordance with AS 44.17.010, the authority and responsibility for adopting regulations of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, under the Alaska Administrative Procedure Act, is hereby delegated to:

Janey Hovenden Director CBPJ. DCCED P.O. Box 110806 Juneau, AK 99811-0806 907-465-2538 Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Office of the Commissioner Page 2

This Delegation of Authority will remain in effect until modified or revoked by a subsequent delegation. This Delegation supersedes and revokes all delegations preceding it.

Dated the 16th day of March, 2015

Chris Hladick Commissioner Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Register 220, January 2017 PROFESSIONAL REGULATIONS

Chapter 02. General Occupational Licensing Functions.

12 AAC 02.300(1) is amended to read:

12 AAC 02.300. Board of Examiners in Optometry. The following fees are established for optometrists:

(1) nonrefundable application fee for initial license, **<u>\$300</u>** [\$100];

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(Eff. 11/20/86, Register 100; am 10/1/88, Register 107; am 5/28/93, Register 126; am 10/29/94, Register 132; am 11/15/96, Register 140; am 11/27/98, Register 148; am 10/28/2000, Register 156; am 12/16/2001, Register 160; am 11/15/2002, Register 164; am 11/18/2006, Register 180; am 10/16/2011, Register 200; am 12/2/2012, Register 204; am 11/30/2014, Register 212; am 04/30/2015, Register 214; am <u>11/26/2016</u>, Register <u>220</u>) **Authority:** AS 08.01.063 AS 08.01.065 AS 08.72.191

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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Byron Mallott Lieutenant Governor

Chief Assistant Attorney General

Legislation and Regulations Section

and Regulations Attorney

From: Susan R. Pollard

State of Alaska Department of Law

Date: October 25, 2016

File No.: JU2016200763

Tel. No.: 465-3600

Re: Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Regulation: 12 AAC 02.300 Occupational Licensing Fees for Board of Examiners in Optometry

We have reviewed the attached Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development amendment to 12 AAC 02.300, occupational licensing fees for professions regulated by the Board of Examiners in Optometry against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations.

The regulations were adopted by the Department after the close of the public comment period.

The September 1, 2016 public notice and the October 13, 2016 adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

We have made only one minor edit as shown on the attached copy of the regulations.

SRP:srp

cc: Honorable Chris Hladick, Commissioner Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Micaela Fowler, Regulations Contact Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Janey Hovenden, Director Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Honorable Bryon Mallott, Lieutenant Governor RE: 12 AAC 02.300

> Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Harriet Dinegar Milks, Assistant Attorney General Commercial and Fair Business Section

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING FEES FOR PROFESSIONS REGULATED BY THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development proposes to change initial application fee charged to optometrists.

The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (Department) proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 12, Chapter 02 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with occupational licensing fees for professions regulated by the Board of Examiners in Optometry, including the following:

12 AAC 02.300, Board of Examiners in Optometry, is proposed to be changed to alter the initial application fee for optometrists.

Under AS 08.01.065, the Department must establish fee levels so that the total amount of fees collected for an occupation approximately equals the actual regulatory costs for the occupation. The Department has reviewed the income and expenses for the occupational licensing program for the Board of Examiners in Optometry and proposes fee changes that reflect, to the extent possible, the actual costs of the activities related to the program.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, P.O. Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806. Additionally, the Department will accept comments by facsimile at (907) 465-2974 and by electronic mail at RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov. Comments may also be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System by accessing this notice on the system at http://notice.alaska.gov/182709, and using the comment link. The comments must be received not later than 5:00 p.m. on October 4, 2016. Comments received after this deadline will not be considered by the Department.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, P.O. Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806 or by e-mail at jun.maiquis@alaska.gov. **The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period.** The Department will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Department's website at https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofOptometry.aspx or on the Alaska Online Public Notice System. The Department may, but is not required to, answer written questions received after the 10-day cut-off date and before the end of the comment period.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Jun Maiquis at (907) 465-2537 or jun.maiquis@alaska.gov not later than September 27, 2016 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and by contacting Jun Maiquis at (907) 465-2537 or jun.maiquis@alaska.gov, or go to https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/portals/5/pub/OPT-Fees-0816.pdf.

After the public comment period ends, the Department will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected. Written comments and questions received are public records and are subject to public inspection.

Statutory Authority: AS 08.01.063; AS 08.01.065; AS 08.72.191

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 08.01.063; AS 08.01.065; AS 08.72.191

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

91 DATE:

Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

For each occupation regulated under the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, the Division keeps a list of individuals or organizations who are interested in the regulations of that occupation. The Division automatically sends a Notice of Proposed Regulations to the parties on the appropriate list each time there is a proposed change in an occupation's regulations in Title 12 of the Alaska Administrative Code. If you would like your address added to or removed from such a list, send your request to the Division at the address above, giving your name, either your e-mail address or mailing address (as you prefer for receiving notices), and the occupational area in which you are interested.

ADDITIONAL REGULATION NOTICE INFORMATION (AS 44.62.190(d))

- 1. Adopting agency: Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing.
- 2. General subject of regulation: Occupational licensing fees.
- 3. Citation of regulation: 12 AAC 02.300.
- 4. Department of Law file number: To be assigned.
- 5. Reason for the proposed action: Compliance with state statute.
- 6. Appropriation/Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing #2360.
- Estimated annual cost to comply with the proposed action to: A private person: \$200 increase for initial application fee. Another state agency: None known. A municipality: None known.
- 8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars): No costs are expected in FY 2017 or in subsequent years.
- The name of the contact person for the regulation: Sara Chambers, Division Operations Manager Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Telephone: (907) 465-2144 E-mail: sara.chambers@alaska.gov
- 10. The origin of the proposed action: Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing.

11. Date:

Prepared by:

Jun Maiquis Regulations Specialist (907) 465-2537

STATE OF ALASKA

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT)

AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I, Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed adoption of changes to 12 AAC 02.300, dealing with initial application fee for optometrists, has been given by being:

- 1. published in a newspaper or trade publication;
- 2. furnished to interested persons;
- 3. furnished to appropriate state officials;
- 4. furnished to the Department of Law, along with a copy of the proposed regulations;
- 5. electronically transmitted to incumbent State of Alaska legislators;

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- 6. furnished to the Legislative Affairs Agency, Legislative Legal and Research Services;
- 7. posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System as required by AS 44.62.175(a)(1) and (b) and 44.62.190(a)(1);
- 8. furnished electronically, along with a copy of the proposed regulations, to the Legislative Affairs Agency, the chair of the Labor and Commerce Committee of the Alaska Senate and House of Representatives, the Administrative Regulation Review Committee, and the legislative council.

As required by AS 44.62.190(d), additional regulations notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (5) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulations notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

Juneau, Alaska DATE:

Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist

day of October

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 17th

__, 2016.



Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska My commission expires: *l*

STATE OF ALASKA

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AFFIDAVIT OF AGENCY RECORD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

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I, Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist for the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, being duly sworn, state the following:

The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development did not receive any factual or other substantive information that was submitted in writing as public comment and that was relevant to the accuracy, coverage, or other aspect of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development regulations on dealing with occupational licensing fees related to the Board of Examiners in Optometry.

DATE: Juneau, Alaska

Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 7 day of October, 2016.



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Signed

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of September, 2016

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Notary Public in and for The State of Alaska. Third Division Anchorage, Alaska MY COMMISSION EXPIRES



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Fiscal information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

9/1/16 DATE:

Jun Maiquis, Regulations Special Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

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AFFIDAVIT OF DEPARTMENT CONSIDERATION OF BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

I, Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist for the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, being duly sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 08.01.065(c), the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development has considered the recommendations of the Board of Examiners in Optometry before adopting changes to the fees in 12 AAC 02.300.

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DATE: 10 Juneau, Alaska

Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this / 1th day of October



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