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## OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

# MEMORANDUM

TO:	Victoria Caltagirone Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
FROM:	April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor
DATE:	September 12, 2022
RE:	Filed Emergency Regulations: Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
	Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development Emergency Regulations re: Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing - effective date of renewal licenses (12 AAC 02.940)

Attorney General File:	Emergency Regulations
Regulation Filed:	9/12/2022
Effective Date:	9/12/2022
Expiration Date:	January 9, 2023 unless made permanent by the adopting agency
Print:	244, January 2023

cc with enclosures:

Colleen Bailey, Department of Law Judy Herndon, LexisNexis Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist

#### FINDING OF EMERGENCY

The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing finds that an emergency exists and that the attached regulation is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or general welfare. The facts constituting the emergency include the following:

As a consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing (Division) is experiencing a severe staffing shortage that has created unusual delays in processing applications for licensure. Division staff are working overtime in the evenings and through the weekends; however, despite these efforts, the processing time for each application is at least two months. This significant processing delay is causing additional staffing shortages for healthcare facilities and other employers who are already in dire need of employees. The imminent expiration of more than 46,000 licenses will further strain Division staff and result in increased processing delays. Under current regulations, licensees whose licenses lapse before renewal, are unable to continue working. This emergency regulation allows licensees to continue to work until their renewal license is processed by the Division.

#### ADOPTION ORDER

Under the authority of AS 08.01.050 and AS 08.01.100, the attached one page of regulation changes is therefore adopted as an emergency regulation to take effect immediately upon filing by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180(3).

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: September 9, 2022

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Sara Chambers, Director Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

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### FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Kevin Meyer, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that \_\_\_\_, 2022 at 12:24 e.m., on Gestanber 12 Ι filed the attached regulation according to the provisions of AS,44.62.

for Kevin Meyer, Lieutenant Governor

Effective: <u>September 12, 2022</u> Register: <u>244</u>, January 2023

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by the adopting agency

### FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, KEVIN MEYER, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

> Josh Applebee, Chief of Staff Kady Levale, Notary Administrator April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

> > IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on December 11th, 2018.



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KEVIN MEYER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

#### **EMERGENCY REGULATION**

# Register 244, Taway 2027 PROFESSIONAL REGULATIONS

#### Chapter 02. General Occupational Licensing Functions.

12 AAC 02.940 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

#### 12 AAC 02.940. Effective date of renewed licenses.

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(d) If an application and payment for renewal of a license is submitted but the division is unable to complete its review of the application before the expiration of the license, the license may be automatically extended for three months or until the division completes its review and either approves or denies the application, whichever occurs earlier. (Eff. 2/13/94, Register 129; am  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{12}}$ , Register  $\frac{244}{\sqrt{2022}}$ , Register  $\frac{244}{\sqrt{2022}}$ )

Authority: AS 08.01.050 AS 08.01.100



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In accordance with AS 44.17.010, the authority and responsibility for adopting regulations, outside of the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office (AMCO), but for the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing (CBPL), under the Alaska Administrative Procedure Act, is hereby delegated to:

Sara Chambers Division Director Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing DCCED P.O. Box 110806 Juneau, AK 99811-0806 907-465-2144 <u>sara.chambers@alaska.gov</u>

In accordance with AS 44.17.010, the authority and responsibility for adopting regulations of the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office, under the Alaska Administrative Procedure Act, is hereby delegated to:

Joan Wilson Division Director Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office 550 West Seventh Avenue, Suite 1600 Anchorage, AK 99501 907-269-0351 Joan.wilson@alaska.gov

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 14th day of July, 2022

Julie Sande Commissioner Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development