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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 620 Department or Agency Alabama Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators
Rule No. 620-X-6-.01
Rule Title: Continuing Education Programs of Study
 New XXX Amend Repeal Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? NO

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? NO

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? NO

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and if so, to what degree? NO

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? NO

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? YES

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? NO

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full Compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer *Patricia C. Magdon*
Date 4/6/16

DATE FILED
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Alabama Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators
4156 Carmichael Road
Montgomery, Alabama 36106

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

The Alabama Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators intends to adopt amendments to its existing rules and regulations as follows:

<u>Rule No. & Title:</u>	620-X-5-.03	Application for Examination
	620-X-6-.01	Continuing Education Programs of Study
	620-X-7-.01	Licenses
	620-X-14-.01	Effective Date
	Appendix A Form 3	Application for License as a Nursing Home Administrator
	Appendix A Form 4	Application for Renewal of NHA License

Intended Action: The Alabama Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators proposes to amend the following rules: 620-X-5-.03, 620-X-6-.01, 620-X-7-.01, 620-X-14-.01, Appendix A – Form 3, and Appendix A – Form 4.

Substance of Proposed Action: We are proposing to add that an applicant must take the examination within one year of approval by the Board. The Board is proposing to increase the number of allowed long distance continuing education allowed from 6 hours to 9 hours. The Board is also making it the responsibility of the licensee to keep the Board updated on current contact address information. The Board will also change the effective date of the rules. The Board is adding the requirement for a valid driver's license to the nursing home application as well as an email address and changing the home number to cell number for contact information. The Board is changing the requirement for a social security number to only the last four digits and changing the home number to cell number for contact information on the license renewal form.

Time, Place, manner of Presenting Views: Interested persons may present their views orally or in writing to the executive Secretary of the Alabama Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, 4156 Carmichael Road, Montgomery, Alabama 36106. Requests for copies of the proposed amendments should be addressed to Katrina G. Magdon, Executive Secretary (334) 271-2342 or can be viewed on the Board web site at www.alboenha.state.al.us.

Final Date for Comment and Completion of Notice: Deadline for comments is June 3, 2016.

Contact Person at Agency: Katrina G. Magdon, Executive Secretary, Alabama Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, 4156 Carmichael Road, Montgomery, Alabama, 36106, (334) 271-2342, kmagdon@anha.org.



Katrina G. Magdon, Executive Secretary

620-X-6-.01 Continuing Education Programs of Study.

(1) A program of study designed to meet the requirements and qualifications for licensure renewal of a nursing home administrator under and pursuant to the State licensing statute, and these rules and regulations shall:

(a) contain a minimum of 24 equivalent hours of academic work per year with no more than 6 9 hours per year obtained by alternate and/or long distance learning methods.

(b) include subject areas as determined by the Board

(2) Upon completion of an approved program of study, the sponsor or sponsors of the program shall issue certificates of attendance or other evidence of attendance satisfactory to the Board.

(3) Nothing contained in this Rule shall preclude the Board from providing for any program of study which excludes subjects which shall be in derogation of, or in conflict with the teachings and practice of any recognized religious faith, provided however, any applicant seeking to be entitled to be admitted to such program of study hereunder shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board that he/she is in fact an adherent to such recognized religious faith.

(4) If the Board finds that programs of training and instruction conducted within the State are not sufficient in number or content to enable nursing home administrators to meet requirements established by law and these rules, it may institute and conduct or arrange with others to conduct one or more such programs, and shall make provisions for their accessibility to residents of this state. The Board may approve programs conducted within and without this state as sufficient to meet education requirements established by law and these rules. For the purpose of this paragraph, the Board shall have the authority to receive funds in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Federal Government in order for the courses to qualify for Federal financial participation.

(5) Any course of study offered by an educational institution, association, professional society, or organization for the purpose of providing continuing education for nursing home administrators shall be submitted to the Board for approval on forms provided by the Board.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-20-13.

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