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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR  
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 190 Department or Agency: Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners  
Rule No. 190-X-2-.01

Rule Title: Requirements For Licensure By Examination

     New XX Amend            Repeal            Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety?           Yes          

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare?           Yes          

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 costs, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule?           n/a          

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           *[Handwritten Signature]*          

Date           August 12, 2015          

DATE FILED  
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**ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS**

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

RULE NO. & TITLE:

- (1) **Rule 190-X-1-.02 Composition and Selection of Board**
- (2) **Rule 190-X-1-.18 Fees**
- (3) **Rule 190-X-2-.01 Requirements for Licensure by Examination**
- (4) **Rule 190-X-2-.08 Verification of License**
- (5) **Rule 190-X-2-.11 Renewal of License**
- (6) **Rule 190-X-2-.12 Reinstatement of License/Clinic Permit**
- (7) **Rule 190-X-2-.13 Replacement License/Permit, Name Change or Duplicate**
- (8) **Rule 190-X-2-.14 Retirement of License**
- (9) **Rule 190-X-4-.08 Restoration of a Refused, Revoked or Cancelled License**
- (10) **Rule 190-X-5-.12 Aiding Unauthorized Practice Prohibited**

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners proposes to amend or repeal the rules as listed above.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTIONS:

- (1) The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners proposes to amend this rule per changes in ACT 2015-275.
- (2) The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners proposes to amend this rule per changes in ACT 2015-275.
- (3) The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners proposes to amend this rule per changes in ACT 2015-275.
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- (7) The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners proposes to amend this rule per changes in ACT 2015-275.
- (8) The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners proposes to repeal this rule per changes in ACT 2015-275.
- (9) The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners proposes to repeal this rule per changes in ACT 2015-275.
- (10) The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners proposes to amend this rule to delete obsolete verbiage.

TIME, PLACE AND MANNER FOR PRESENTING VIEWS: Written or oral comments may be submitted to the Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, 126 Chilton Place, Clanton, AL 35045, 205-755-8000.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT & COMPLETION OF NOTICE: October 6, 2015.

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## Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners Proposed Amended Rule

### 190-X-2-.01 Requirements For Licensure By Examination.

(1) All applicants, who graduated from chiropractic college after January 1, 2010, shall have a bachelors degree from an accredited college or university or an academic graduate degree from a regionally accredited college or university and evidence of passing a nationally recognized standardized test commensurate with the referenced degree. In addition, the applicant shall be a graduate of a chartered chiropractic school or college accredited by the council of chiropractic education which teaches only attendance courses and requires a minimum four-year standard college course.

(2) Each applicant shall submit a properly completed Alabama Bureau of Investigation (ABI) Form - 46 and required processing fees for a criminal background report.

(3) Each applicant shall submit ~~a properly completed ABI Form - 46~~ and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) fingerprint cards and required processing fees for an FBI criminal background report.

(4) The applicant shall submit an application fee and an examination fee in the amounts set forth by Board Rule. The fees must be in the form of a cashier's check, bank certified check, or money order only. These fees are non-refundable.

(5) Each applicant shall be of good moral character, a citizen of the United States or, if not a citizen of the United States, a person who is legally present in the United States with appropriate documentation from the federal government.

(6) Application Required

(a) Application Form. Each applicant for licensure shall fully complete an application form prescribed by the Board.

(b) Documentation. The documents indicated below must be received by the Board before an application will be processed.

1. The following must be submitted to the Board directly from the respective institution, organization or state licensing agency:

(i) A wallet or passport size photograph.

(ii) A certified transcript of the applicant's college grades showing graduation from an accredited college or university with a bachelor's degree.

(iii) A certified transcript of the applicant's chiropractic college grades showing graduation from an approved chiropractic college.

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(iv) A certified copy of the applicant's transcript of scores of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners showing the applicant has passed the necessary examinations administered/required by that Board.

(v) Verification(s) of licensure (out of state license holders only).

(vi) Verification that the applicant is a citizen of or is legally present in the United States by submitting any of the form(s) or type(s) of documentation specified on the application.

(c) Notarization Required. Paper applications must be signed and notarized.

(d) Deadline for Application. Complete application, including all documents and any fees must be received and approved by the Board before an examination is scheduled.

(7) Examination Required.

(a) National Board Examination. Each applicant who matriculated into chiropractic college after January 1, 1973, must pass one of the following combinations of examination:

1. NBCE I, II, III & IV
2. NBCE I, II and SPEC

(b) Alabama Board Examination.

1. In addition to the examination referenced in (a) above, each applicant must pass an examination administered by the Board relating to State Law and Regulations.

2. Passing Grade. A score of seventy - five percent is required.

3. Re-examination. An applicant must pay a fee of \$150 before a re-examination is scheduled.

4. Scores Released. The Board shall notify each examinee of the examination results within 30 days of the examination.

(8) Issuance of License.

(a) Fee. ~~In order to have a license issued a fee of \$50.00 must be submitted~~ The applicant shall pay a fee established by board rule for the issuance of a license.

(b) Time Limitation. An applicant shall not practice chiropractic until payment of the appropriate license issuance fee. An applicant who passes all required examinations but has not paid the license issuance fee and obtained a license within 12 months following the date of passing must reapply.

(c) Signatures Required and Effective Date. Each license shall be signed by the Executive Director and the President of the Board. The license shall be recorded with the judge of probate where the doctor practices as specified in the

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Code of Alabama 1975, 34-24-164, and evidenced by the return of the completed form or proof of recordation to the Board office.

Effective: 3/6/90, amended 5/91, amended 8/93, (3) amended 3/2009, amended 10/2012, (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) amended 6/2013 amended 10/2014 (6) (b) (1.vi), amended (8) (a) 8/2015

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