TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control No. <u>850</u> Department : <u>Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners</u>		
Rule No. 850-X-1008 Conflict and Bias New X Amend	Repeal	_ Adopt by Reference
Would the absence of the proposed rule significant harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or sa	itly	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?		احالا
Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly Or indirectly increasing the cost 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?		NA
Are the facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public?	ı .	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 the subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, <u>Code of Alabama 1975</u> .		
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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, <u>Code of Alabama 1975</u> , and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.		
Signature of certifying officer Brand Weden		
Date 7-12-160		

Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME:

Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners

RULE NO. & TITLE:

850-X-10-.08 Conflict and Bias

INTENDED ACTION:

Removing the reference to 850-X-1-.19

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

Removing the reference to 850-X-1-.19

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:

A Public Hearing will be held September 8, 2016, 9:30AM, 100 North Union Street, Suite 300, Montgomery AL 36104

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Written comments may be sent to Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners at: 100 North Union Street, Suite 736, Montgomery AL 36130-1620. All written comments must be received by 4:30PM September 7, 2016.

CONTRACT PERSON AT AGENCY:

Brenda W. Holden, 334/242-5860

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850-X-10-.08 Conflict and Bias.

- (1) No Board member shall deliberate or vote on the merits of any disciplinary matter if the Board member is personally biased against the respondent or when such voting would violate the provisions of the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act, Code of Ala. 1975, §41-22-18(a) (1991).
- (2) A party to any formal action or contested case, or respondent in a disciplinary action, who intends to assert bias or conflict on the part of any hearing officer or Board member must do so by filing, at least three days before the scheduled hearing and received in the headquarters of the Board, an affidavit and suggestion of disqualification together with the underlying factual basis for the assertion. In the absence of actual or constructive bias or prejudice, the failure to timely file an affidavit and suggestion of disqualification shall be deemed a waiver of such grounds as error in any appeal.
- (3) The hearing officer or Board member to whom a suggestion of disqualification is directed shall consider the assertion of disqualification on the record as a preliminary matter at the hearing before any other question is decided.

Author: Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §41-22-18 (1991).

History: Repealed and Replaced: Filed October 31, 1997; Operative

December 5, 1997; effective January 1, 1998 (See Rule 850 X 1-.19).