

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control No.: 5110052 Department or Agency: Optometric Scholarship Awards Board

Rule No.: 635-x-6-.04

Rule Title: Selection of Merit Scholarship Recipients

New 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 cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? N/A

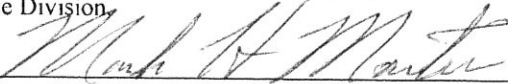
Are all facts of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

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 Division.

Signature of certifying officer: 

Date: 11-14-13

OPTOMETRIC SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS BOARD

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Optometric Scholarship Awards Board

RULE NO. & TITLE: Chapter 635-x-6-.04 –
Selection of Merit Scholarship Recipients

INTENDED ACTION:

Amend parts of the Board's Administrative Code to reflect changes in the law.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

Amend parts of the Board's Administrative Code to reflect changes in the law.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:

In writing, addressed to the Board's address, to the attention of Mark Martin.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

January 6, 2014

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residents of Alabama, are considered eligible for merit scholarships. No applications need to be filed for merit scholarships.

Author:

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§ 34-22-60, et seq.

History: Filed September 7, 1984.

635-X-6-.04 Selection Of Recipients Of Merit Scholarships.

(1) Members of the incoming freshman class who are candidates being considered for merit scholarships may be invited to a personal interview with the Board. Students who are being considered for merit scholarships not renewed may also be invited for a personal interview with the Board.

(2) Merit Scholarships will be awarded primarily on the basis of the student's scholastic achievements, optometry college admission test scores, excellence of character and other pertinent qualifications. These scholarships are awarded in recognition of outstanding scholastic ability and performance. All information concerning the outstanding scholars in each class will be available to members of the Board at the time of selection.

(3) Voting will be on the same priority system used in selecting recipients of the loans. [635-X-2-.04(2)(a&b)]

(4) Merit scholarships, not to exceed twenty-five percent (~~525%~~) of the members of the upcoming freshman class, will be granted to candidates who receive the lowest priority scores provided three-fourths (3/4) of the Board members present approve the results of the voting. A Board member may request the Board to reconsider any candidate who receives a priority score low enough to qualify for a merit scholarship. The original score will be declared invalid and the Board will cast a substitute vote if such action is approved by three-fourths (3/4) of the Board members present.

(5) Each merit scholarship shall be renewed for a maximum of four (4) years provided the original recipient maintains an accumulative academic average in the upper twenty-five percent (~~2025%~~) of his/her class.

(6) In the event a merit scholarship is not renewed, the Board will select another recipient for the remainder of the scholarship from the same class as the recipient.

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