## Alabama Board of Hearing Instrument Dealers

## NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: The Alabama Board of Hearing Instrument Dealers

RULE NO. & TITLE: 445-X-1-.04 Examination for Licensure

445-X-1-.05 Continuing Education

<u>INTENDED ACTION:</u> The Alabama Board of Hearing Instrument Dealers proposes to amend rule 445-X-1-.04 Examination for Licensure and 445-X-1-.05 Continuing Education

#### SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

The proposed action of rule 445-X-1-.04 Examination for Licensure is to update the rule to the procedures currently in place for licensure of individuals in the State of Alabama. We have adopted the International Hearing Instrument Studies exam in-lieu of an exam written and administered by board members. Our current procedures outlines procedures used in 1975 rather than current procedures.

The proposed actions of rule 445-X-1-.05 Continuing Education is to change the requirements for continuing education to reflect the changes that have surfaced in the hearing instrument industry that didn't exist in 1975 when this rule was originally written. It also increases the amount of continuing education requirements from 8 hours annually to 10 hours annually. Six hours of training are directed by the Board and must be taken through resident training, rather than through distance learning means.

# TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:

Comments may be submitted in writing or orally at Alabama Board of Hearing Instrument Dealers, 400 S. Union St. #445, Montgomery, AL 36104, (334)242-1925.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: October 9, 2014

## **CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:**

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