## ALABAMA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING

## NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Board of Examiners in Counseling

RULE NO. & TITLE: 255-X-3-.01 Licensed Professional Counselor

## INTENDED ACTION:

The Alabama Board of Examiners in Counseling proposes to amend this rule to further define content of the academic practicum and internship courses required to meet educational requirement for licensure. The amendment further clarifies that academic courses beyond the master's degree may not be used as both substitutes for supervised experience and for continuing education credit.

## SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

These amendments specify that assessment activities with clients may not account for more than 20% of the direct services in the academic practicum and internship. The amendment also states that formal graduate course work utilized as continuing education for licensure renewal cannot also be utilized as a substitute for supervised experience required to become an LPC.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may present their views in writing to the Executive Director of the Alabama Board of Examiners in Counseling at any time during the 38-day period following the 31st day of May, 2016, or if requested in advance, by personally appearing at Room 765, Medical Forum Building, 950 22<sup>nd</sup> Street North, Birmingham, AL at 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 8, 2016.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

July 8, 2016

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