

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR  
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 610 Department or Agency Alabama Board of Nursing  
Rule No. 610-X-4.07  
Rule Title: Licensure - Licensure By Endorsement  
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? No

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 action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? No

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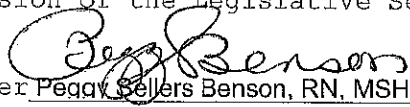
Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

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.

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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, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.



Signature of certifying officer Peggy Sellers Benson, RN, MSHA, MSN, NE-BC

Date May 18, 2018

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**ALABAMA BOARD OF NURSING**

**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

**AGENCY NAME:** Alabama Board of Nursing

**RULE NO. & TITLE:** 610-X-4-.07 Licensure By Endorsement

**INTENDED ACTION:** The Alabama Board of Nursing proposes to amend the rules related to licensure.


**SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:** The Alabama Board of Nursing proposes to amend Administrative Code, 610-X-4-.07 – Licensure By Endorsement, to clarify the process by which the Board may accept experience in lieu of clinical education. A copy of the proposed rule may be found on the Board's web site, [www.abn.alabama.gov](http://www.abn.alabama.gov), under "laws" and then "proposed rule changes."

**TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:** Written or verbal comments will be received by the Board of Nursing until 4:30 P.M. on Thursday, July 5, 2018. Verbal or written comments should be directed to Peggy Benson, Executive Officer, at P.O. Box 303900, Montgomery, AL 36130-3900 or via electronic mail at [Peggy.Benson@abn.alabama.gov](mailto:Peggy.Benson@abn.alabama.gov) or via telephone at 334-293-5210.

**FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:**

The record closes at 4:30 P.M. on Thursday, July 5, 2018.

**CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:** Peggy Benson, Executive Officer.

  
Executive Officer

Licensure By Endorsement.

- (1) The applicant for licensure by endorsement shall:
  - (a) Have been duly licensed as a registered nurse or licensed practical/vocational nurse under the laws of another state or territory and shall meet the requirements for the licensure examination.
    1. The Board may deny consideration of an applicant who has a revoked license in another jurisdiction.
    2. The Board may deny consideration of an applicant who has a suspended license in another jurisdiction.
  - (b) Provide for official verification of licensure from original state of licensure.
  - (c) Submit official evidence of completion of a nursing education program that included theoretical and clinical experience appropriate to the type of program. If the nursing education program did not include clinical experience appropriate to the type of program, the applicant's other pre-licensure and post-licensure nursing experience and continuing education may be considered at the discretion of the Board.
  - (d) Submit evidence of completion of twenty-four contact hours of approved continuing education. Provided, however, that the Board shall not consider continuing education credits that were earned more than within the twenty-four months prior to application. Contact hours earned for initial licensure by endorsement may not be used toward the continuing education requirement for the next license renewal period.
  - (e) Submit an electronic completed application and required fees.
- (2) The first-time applicant for licensure by endorsement may request a nonrenewable temporary permit to practice nursing.
  - (a) If the applicant has an active license issued by another state or territory, a notarized copy of the license or of primary source verification of the license is acceptable as initial proof of licensure to obtain a temporary permit.
  - (b) If the applicant was previously duly licensed by another state or a territory but at the time of application for licensure by endorsement into Alabama has a lapsed license, a temporary permit may not be issued.

(3) A licensed nurse licensed by endorsement during the continuing education earning period shall:

(a) Accrue for the first license renewal one contact hour for each calendar month remaining in the license period.

(b) Meet requirements for continuing education in accordance with other stipulations for license renewal set forth in these rules.

(4) If the applicant for licensure by endorsement is issued a license during the renewal period for that license type, the license shall expire at the end of the next license period. **Author:** Alabama Board of Nursing  
**Statutory Authority:** Code of Ala. 1975, §§34-21-21, 34-21-22.  
**History: New Rule:** Filed May 29, 2001; effective July 3, 2001. **Repealed and New Rule:** Filed September 29, 2004; effective November 1, 2004. **Amended:** Filed November 26, 2007; effective December 31, 2007. **Amended:** Filed June 19, 2009; effective July 24, 2009. **Amended:** Filed November 19, 2010; effective December 24, 2010. **Amended:** Filed April 22, 2016; effective June 6, 2016. **Amended:** Filed November 21, 2016; effective January 5, 2017. **Amended:** Filed May 18, 2018

**Ed. Note:** Rule 610-X-4-.06 was renumbered to 610-X-4-.07 and original Rule 610-X-4-.07, Temporary Permits, was repealed as per certification filed November 26, 2007; effective December 31, 2007.