

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR  
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 610 Department or Agency Alabama Board of Nursing  
Rule No. 610-X-5-.02  
Rule Title Terms and Functions of the Joint Committee  
     New     X     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

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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 S Benson*  
Peggy Benson, RN, MSHA, MSN, NE-BC

Date November 16, 2017

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**ALABAMA BOARD OF NURSING**

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**AGENCY NAME:** Alabama Board of Nursing

**RULE NO. & TITLE:** 610-X-5-.02 Terms and Functions of the Joint Committee

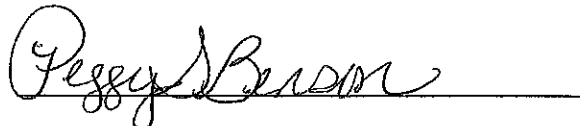
**INTENDED ACTION:** The Alabama Board of Nursing proposes to amend the regulations related to the Joint Committee on Advanced Practice Nursing.

**SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:** The Alabama Board of Nursing proposes to amend Administrative Code, 610-X-5-.02 Terms and Functions of the Joint Committee. A copy of the proposed new 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." The proposed changes allow for the designation of qualified substitute members in the absence of appointed members of the committee.

**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, January 4, 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, January 4, 2018.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Benson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Executive Officer

610-X-5-.02 Terms and Functions of the Joint Committee.

(1) The registered nurse members of the Joint Committee shall be appointed to three year terms by the Board of Nursing in accordance with Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, § 34-21-80, et. seq.

(2) The physician members of the Joint committee shall be appointed to three year terms by the Board of Medical Examiners in accordance with Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, §§ 34-21-80, et. seq.

(3) Terms of Joint Committee members shall begin October 1.

(4) Joint Committee members may be re-appointed to one additional term of three years by the respective board.

(5) There shall be a minimum of four Joint Committee members with two representatives from each appointing board present at a meeting to constitute a quorum for voting.

(6) In the event that a quorum for voting will not be met due to the absence of the required number of appointed Joint Committee members at a scheduled meeting, the Board of Nursing or the Board of Medical Examiners may designate substitute representatives to attend the meeting at vote on behalf of the respective board. The designations shall be made by the respective boards in accordance with the requirements of Ala. Code § 34-21-81(7).

(67) The Joint Committee shall have the authority to perform the following functions:

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(a) Recommend to the Board of Nursing and Board of Medical Examiners rules and regulations governing the collaborative relationship between physicians and certified registered nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives engaging in advanced practice nursing.

(b) Recommend to the Board of Nursing and Board of Medical Examiners model practice protocols to be used by the certified registered nurse practitioner and certified nurse midwife.

(c) Recommend to the Board of Nursing and Board of Medical Examiners a formulary of legend drugs that may be prescribed by a certified registered nurse practitioner and certified nurse midwife.

(d) Perform other duties as directed by the Board of Nursing and Board of Medical Examiners.

**Author:** Alabama Board of Nursing

**Statutory Authority:** Code of Ala. 1975, §§34-21-82, 34-21-85, 34-21-87.

**History: New Rule:** Filed August 25, 2003; effective September 29, 2003.

**New Rule:** Filed July 2, 2015; effective August 6, 2015. **Amended:** Filed July 2, 2015; effective August 6, 2015.

**Ed. Note:** Rule .01 was renumbered to .02 as per certification filed July 2, 2015; effective August 6, 2015.