

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

### Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

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1. Type of Estimate and Analysis

Original    Updated    Corrected

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2. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

HAS 6 and 7

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3. Subject

Licensure of speech-language pathologists, audiologists and temporary licenses and requirements for renewal and reinstatement of credentials granted by the hearing and speech examining board.

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4. Fund Sources Affected

GPR    FED    PRO    PRS    SEG    SEG-S

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5. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected

20.165(1)(g)

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6. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

No Fiscal Effect    Increase Existing Revenues    Increase Costs  
 Indeterminate    Decrease Existing Revenues    Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget  
 Decrease Cost

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7. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy    Specific Businesses/Sectors  
 Local Government Units    Public Utility Rate Payers  
 Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)

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8. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes    No

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9. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

The rule updates the rule to reflect changes due to 2009 Act 356 (modified the requirements for licensure of audiologists and removed the requirement to provide certification of calibrations of audiometric equipment in order to renew a license) and 2013 Act 114 (allows the exam to be taken prior to finishing post-secondary education). In addition, the rule updates outdated practices and procedures in the interest of clarifying and streamlining the process.

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10. Summary of the businesses, business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the proposed rule that were contacted for comments.

This rule was posted for economic comments for 14 days and none were received.

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11. Identify the local governmental units that participated in the development of this EIA.

None. It will not impact local governmental units.

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12. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

This rule will not have an economic or fiscal impact on these entities.

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13. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

The benefit of this rule is to correct the inconsistencies between the rules and the statutes, remove obsolete provisions, provide clarity and streamline the process.

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14. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

The long range implication is clarity and rules consistent with statutes.

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15. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

None

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16. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

**Illinois:** Speech-language pathology applicants are required to complete a master's degree, pass the Praxis Speech-Language Pathology examination and complete 9 months of supervised experience. Audiology applicants are required to complete a doctoral degree, pass the Praxis Audiology examination and complete 9

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months of supervised experience. A speech-language pathologist shall obtain a temporary license upon complete of education and exam in order to complete the supervised professional experience. In order to renew a credential, a license holder must pay fee and submit proof of continuing education. Renewal after 5 years requires evidence of holding a license in another state or successful completion of the initial credentialing examination within 1 year of the renewal.

**Iowa:** Speech-language pathology applicants are required to complete a master's degree in speech pathology which includes a supervised clinical training, pass the Praxis Speech-Language Pathology examination and 9 months of supervised clinical experience. American Speech-Language Hearing Association certificate of clinical competence is proof of meeting the requirements. Audiology applications are required to complete a master's or doctoral degree in audiology which includes a supervised clinical training, pass the Praxis Audiology examination and 9 months of supervised clinical experience. American Speech-Language Hearing Association certificate of clinical competence is proof of meeting the requirements. A temporary license is required for speech-language pathology and audiology applicants to complete their supervised clinical training. A non-resident may obtain a temporary permit to practice speech pathology or audiology by demonstrating the applicant meets the same standards as Iowa and documenting the need for a permit. The temporary permit is for a period to not exceed 3 months. In order to renew a credential, a license holder must pay fee and submit proof of continuing education. Renewal after 5 years requires verification of licensure in another state or completion of 60 hours of continuing education and passage of the initial credentialing exam.

**Michigan:** Speech-language pathology applicants are required to complete a master's degree in speech pathology which includes a supervised clinical training, pass the Praxis Speech-Language Pathology examination and 1,260 hours of supervised clinical experience. Audiology applicants are required to complete a master's or doctoral degree in audiology, Praxis Audiology exam and complete 9 months of supervised clinical experience. In order to renew a credential, a license holder must pay fee and submit proof of continuing education. Renewal after 3 years requires proof of licensure in another state or passage of the initial credentialing exam within the last 2 years.

**Minnesota:** Speech-language pathology applicants are required to complete a master's degree in speech pathology which includes a supervised clinical training, and pass the national examination. Audiology applicants are required to complete a master's or doctoral degree in audiology, which includes a supervised clinical training and pass the national examination. Temporary license may be obtained by a person who is credentialed in another state or territory or has a current certificate of clinical competence issued by American Speech-Language Hearing Association and is valid for 90 days. In order to renew a credential, a license holder must pay fee and submit proof of continuing education.

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**ATTACHMENT A**

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1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

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2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

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3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
- Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
- Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
- Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
- Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
- Other, describe:

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4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

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5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

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6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

- Yes     No
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