NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Rule 295-2-.01 Licenses Expiring June 30-Odd Years Rule 295-2-.06 Licenses Expiring March 31-Even Years Rule 295-2-.18 Licenses Expiring Every Three Years

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Office of Secretary of State (hereinafter "agency") proposes to adopt amendments to the above referenced rules (herein after "proposed rule").

This notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule(s), and a synopsis of the proposed rule(s) are being sent to all persons who have requested, in writing, to be included on a notification list. This notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule(s), and a synopsis of the proposed rule(s) may also be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. The documents will also be available for review on the website at https://sos.ga.gov/page/general-provisions-and-joint-secretary-proposed-rules. Copies may also be requested by contacting the office at (404) 424-9966.

The public will have an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendment(s) at a public hearing to be held at 9:30 a.m. on September 6, 2023, in the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. If the office remains closed due to the public health emergency (COVID-19), the hearing will be held via teleconference. Please see the website for information on how to join the meeting via teleconference.

Interested parties affected by the rule(s) may submit written comments no later than close of business on August 30, 2023. Written comments must be legible, signed, contain contact information from the maker (address, telephone number, email address), and addressed to Gabriel Sterling, Interim Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Written comments may be faxed to (866) 888-9718.

During the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument, whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements will be limited to five (5) minutes per person.

The committee voted to post this Notice of Intent at its meeting on August 1, 2023. The committee also voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule amendment(s) do not impose an excessive regulatory cost on any licensee, and any cost to comply with the

proposed rule amendment cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1. Additionally, the committee voted that it was neither legal nor feasible in meeting the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed in their fields.

For further information, contact the Board office at (404) 424-9966.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This the 7th day of August, 2023.

Gabriel Sterling

Interim Division Director

Professional Licensing Boards Division

Posted: 08.07.2023

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES

<u>Purpose/Main Features</u>: The purpose of this rule amendment is to include Private Detective and Security Agency Instructors into the licenses which expire December 31 of odd years.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

Rule 295-2-.01 Licenses Expiring June 30-Odd Years

The following licenses expire on June 30 of the odd numbered years, effective as of the 2021 renewal cycle:

- (a) Architects; with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1 to July 31 of odd years;
- (b) Athlete Agents; with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1 to July 31 of odd years;
- (c) Barbers (Instructors, Schools, and Shops); with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1 to July 31 of odd years;
- (d) Cosmetology (Instructors, Schools, and Shops, with the exception of Hair Design Instructors and Schools); with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1 to July 31 of odd years;
- (e) Private Detective and Security Agencies (Companies <u>and Instructors</u>); with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1 to July 31 of odd years; and
- (f) Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1 to July 31of odd years.

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-1-4

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES

<u>Purpose/Main Features</u>: The purpose of this rule amendment is to remove Used Motor Vehicle Dealers from and add Music Therapy to the licenses which expire March 31 of even years.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

Rule 295-2-.06. Licenses Expiring March 31-Even Years

The following licenses expire on March 31 of the even numbered years, effective as of the 2022 renewal cycle:

- (a) Cosmetology (Masters); with a lapsed, late renewal period from April 1 to April 30 of even years;
- (b) Funeral Services (Directors, Embalmers and Apprentices); with a lapsed, late renewal period from April 1 to April 30 of even years;
- (c) Funeral Service (Homes); with a lapsed, late renewal period from April 1 to April 30 of even years;
- (d) Occupational Therapy; with a lapsed, late renewal period for April 1 to April 30 of even years;
- (e) Used Motor Vehicle Dealers; with a lapsed, late renewal period from April 1 to April 30 of even years;
- (fe) Dietitian; with a lapsed, late renewal period from April 1 to April 30 of even years.
- (gf) Lactation Consultant; with no lapsed late renewal period:
- (g) Music Therapy; with no lapsed late renewal period.

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES

<u>Purpose/Main Features</u>: The purpose of this rule amendment is to add a late renewal period for Trauma Scene Practicioners.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

Rule 295-2-.18 Licenses Expiring Every Three Years

The following licenses expire every three years from the issue date of the license:

(a) Trauma Scene Practitioners; with a late renewal period of thirty (30) days after the license expiration date.

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- (f) Lactation Consultant; with no lapsed late renewal period;
- (g) Music Therapy; with no lapsed late renewal period.

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