

Subject Allied health professions birth month renewal cycle

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Overview

This act converts the following allied health professions regulated by the Board of Medical Practice to a licensure renewal cycle based on birth month:

- Physician assistants (Article 1)
- Acupuncture practitioners (Article 2)
- Respiratory care practitioners (Article 3)
- Traditional midwives (Article 4)
- Registered naturopathic doctors (Article 5)
- Genetic counselors (Article 6)

For each profession, the act does the following:

- Adds provision, expiring July 1, 2022, stating that a licensee whose license has lapsed before January 1, 2020, shall be treated as a first-time licensee for purposes of establishing a license renewal schedule, and not subject to the license cycle conversion provisions.
- Requires a licensee to maintain a correct mailing address and specifies what constitutes valid service for license renewal documents.
- Specifies that a licensee that fails to comply with renewal requirements will be removed from the list of individuals authorized to practice during the renewal period, until reinstated.
- Converts renewal cycle to an annual cycle where renewal is due on the last day of the licensee's birth month, beginning January 1, 2020, for licensees who were licensed before December 31, 2019. Specifies that the conversion license period is between six and 17 month and ends on the last day of the licensee's birth month in either 2020 or 2021.
- For current licensees, specifies that the conversion license period begins on January 1, 2020, and ends on the last day of the licensee's birth month, except for licensees born in January to June, whose renewal period will end in 2021.
- For non-current licensees, specifies that the conversion renewal cycle begins on the date the individual applies for renewal after January 1, 2020, and ends on the last day of the licensee's birth month, except if that is less than six months, in which case the renewal period ends the following year.
- Specifies that after conversion, subsequent renewal cycles are annual and begin on the last day of the licensee's birth month.

- Establishes licensing conversion fees; provides for variation based on length of conversion period.

Article 7 makes technical corrections, adds fees for professions regulated by the Board of Medical Practice, pursuant to the license conversion period changes, and repeals rules relating to license renewal.



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