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Dear licensees and interested parties:

Alaska's professional licensing statutes (AS 08.01.065) require the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing (CBPL) to "annually review each fee level to determine whether the regulatory costs of each occupation are approximately equal to fee collections related to that occupation." Alaska's licensing fee statutes go on to say, "If the review indicates that an occupation's fee collections and regulatory costs are not approximately equal, the department shall calculate fee adjustments and adopt regulations...to implement the adjustments."

The division conducted a thorough fee analysis for the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) to comply with the AS 08.01.065. Federal funding has been available to the division to offset certain administrative costs of running this program. **To that end, we recommend decreasing the PDMP fee to zero.** This fee will be reviewed annually and may be increased in the future.

This fee proposal is entering a public comment period. The division encourages all licensees and interested parties to comment on this proposal through the division's regulations specialist. After the comment period closes and the division reviews all comments received, the division may adopt the regulation as drafted, may amend a proposed fee, or may withdraw the regulations in part or in whole.

All comments received will be reviewed and taken into consideration prior to adopting the final regulations. The final decision will result in fee implementation this fall and will apply to initial and renewal fees for PDMP registration.

Follow the instructions enclosed to make written comments during the public comment period. Comments must be addressed to CBPL Regulations Specialist, PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811 or regulationsandpubliccomment@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

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