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Notice of Proposed Changes to Telemedicine Business Registry Provisions; Updates to Application and Registration Requirements for Business Licensing in the Regulations of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Proposed Regulations - FAQ

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1. What is the purpose of the proposed regulations? What will these regulations do?

With the passage of SB 91 during the 2024 Alaska State Legislature, changes were made to the Alaska Business Licensing Statutes (law) AS 44.33. Effective October 17, 2024, Telemedicine Business Registrations are no longer perpetual, and are now required to renew every two years.

The regulations proposed are amending current regulations to comply with the new changes to the statutes, including removing the telemedicine business registry (TBR) from Professional Licensing regulations, and moving them to the Business Licensing regulations. The changes include:

12 AAC 02.106. Telemedicine business registry and 12 AAC 02.600. Application for placement on the telemedicine business registry; changes of information

These sections are proposed to be repealed. These repeals will remove the Telemedicine Business Registry from Professional Licensing.

12 AAC 12.025. Telemedicine business registration, 12 AAC 12.035. Application, renewal, and termination of a telemedicine business registration, 12 AAC 12.040. Term of business license; license renewal, and 12 AAC 12.990. Definitions

These sections are proposed to be added and amended to add the Telemedicine Business Registry requirements to the Business Licensing regulations. Definitions are also being added to include the terms "business name" and "telemedicine services" for additional clarity.

12 AAC 12.030. Application for business license, 12 AAC 12.040. Term of business license; license renewal, and 12 AAC 12.050. Changes in business license

These changes will clarify that all documents relating to applications, renewals, and change request requirements for business licenses must be signed by an authorized person.

2. What are the expected positive and negative impacts from the proposed regulation changes?

The Department will now be better able to manage Telemedicine Business Registry registrations to ensure that their business licenses remain current and active, as required by statute, or that they are canceled and removed from the registry when no longer in use.

Telemedicine Business Registry registrations are no longer a perpetual registration, per the statute change. There will now be a \$100 renewal fee in 2-year increments. This change is required by the updates made to statutes by SB 91.

3. Why do I have to pay \$100 for registration and renewal to be on the Telemedicine Business Registry?

Per updates made to AS 44.33.381 by SB 91, which went into effect 10/17/2024, telemedicine registrations are no longer perpetual. Due to this change, renewals must occur. The renewals will have a \$100 fee and will occur every two years. This is required for any business offering telemedicine services in Alaska.

This fee is in addition to the 2-year business license fee of \$100.

4. What are the costs to comply with the proposed regulations?

A private person: \$100 per license biennially for the telemedicine business registry.

Another state agency: None known.

A municipality: None known.

5. When will the regulations be effective?

After the public comment deadline, comments received are compiled and given to the Department for consideration. The Department may adopt the regulation as written/publicly noticed, may amend and adopt them, choose to take no action, or may withdraw the proposed regulations in part or in its whole. After Department action, the adopted regulations goes to Department of Law (DOL) for final review/approval. DOL either approves or disapproves regulations. Once approved by DOL, it goes to the Lt. Governor for filing. Regulations take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the Lt. Governor.

Do you have a question that is not answered here? Please email RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov so it can be added.