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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 has conducted a thorough fee analysis and has determined that fee increases are necessary to comply with the statute listed above and to prevent the program from going into a deficit position and to continue to deliver the current level of service of the Nursing and Nursing Aid licensing program. Program expenses have slowly been depleting its surplus for several years, and the program will be in deficit by the end of this fiscal year. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, this increase will stabilize the program and prevent the need for an even larger increase later.

The Board of Nursing reviewed the fee analysis at its May 7, 2018, meeting and proposed changes similar to those proposed by the Division. The proposed fees amounts are enclosed and can also be found on the Board's web page at

<https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofNursing.aspx>

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, whose contact information is enclosed on the public notice. 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 its whole.

All comments received will be reviewed and taken into consideration prior to adopting the final regulations. The final decision will result in the fee to be implemented during the upcoming license renewal.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janey McCullough".

Janey McCullough
Director

Encl.

Chapter 02. General Occupational Licensing Functions.

(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted.)

12 AAC 02.280 is amended to read:

12 AAC 02.280. Board of Nursing: fees for nurses and [,] advanced practice registered nurses [NURSE PRACTITIONERS, AND CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS]. The following fees are established for nurses **and** [,] advanced **practice registered nurses** [NURSE PRACTITIONERS, AND CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS]:

(1) **nonrefundable** application fee for

(A) initial **registered or practical** nursing license, **\$100**; [OR]

(B) advanced **practice registered nurse license, \$100**;

(C) preceptorship registration **one-time fee, \$100** [\$50];

(2) license fee for all or part of the initial biennial **registered or practical** nursing license period, **\$200** [\$165];

(3) biennial **registered or practical** nursing license renewal fee, **\$200** [\$165];

(4) temporary permit fee, **\$100** [\$50];

(5) prescriptive authority **or controlled substance authority** application **one-time** fee, **\$100** [\$50];

(6) advanced **practice registered** nurse **license** [PRACTITIONER OR CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST AUTHORIZATION] fee for all or part of the initial biennial **license** [AUTHORIZATION] period, **\$100** [\$60];

(7) advanced **practice registered** nurse [PRACTITIONER OR CERTIFIED

REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST] biennial **license** [AUTHORIZATION] renewal fee, **\$100** [\$60];

(8) reexamination application fee, \$50;

(9) late renewal penalty fee, \$100;

(10) nonrefundable fingerprint processing fee, **\$75** [\$60];

(11) courtesy license fee, \$50;

(12) retired nurse status license one-time fee, **\$100** [\$165]. (Eff. 3/6/86, Register 97; am 12/13/87, Register 104; am 6/23/90, Register 114; am 5/20/92, Register 122; am 5/28/93, Register 126; am 2/13/94, Register 129; am 7/28/95, Register 135; am 7/25/96, Register 139; am 8/26/98, Register 147; am 8/10/2000, Register 155; am 6/21/2001, Register 158; am 6/13/2002, Register 162; am 6/16/2002, Register 162; am 11/19/2008, Register 188; am 7/7/2010, Register 195; am 2/20/2014, Register 209; am 8/10/2016, Register 219; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.01.010 AS 08.01.100 AS 08.68.220
AS 08.01.065

12 AAC 02.282 is amended to read:

12 AAC 02.282. Board of Nursing: fees for certified nurse aides. The following fees are established for certified nurse aides:

(1) nonrefundable application fee for initial certification, **\$100** [\$50];

(2) examination fee, **\$55** [\$50];

(3) certification fee for all or part of the initial biennial nurse aide certification period, \$100;

(4) biennial nurse aide certification renewal fee, \$100;

(5) certified nurse aide training program approval fee, \$500;

(6) reexamination fee, **\$50** [\$25];

(7) nonrefundable fingerprint processing fee, **\$75** [\$60]. (Eff. 8/26/98, Register

147; am 5/5/99, Register 150; am 2/26/2000, Register 153; am 6/16/2002, Register 162; am

3/7/2008, Register 185; am 1/30/2010, Register 193; am 2/20/2014, Register 209; am

____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.01.010 AS 08.01.065 AS 08.68.336