

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis (Part A)**Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters Licensing Board**

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Rule Number

NO CHANGE

TYPE of rule filing

Rule Title/Tag Line

Licensing requirements.**RULE SUMMARY**

1. Is the rule being filed for five year review (FYR)? **Yes**
2. Are you proposing this rule as a result of recent legislation? **No**
3. Statute prescribing the procedure in accordance with the agency is required to adopt the rule: **119.03**
4. Statute(s) authorizing agency to adopt the rule: **4747.04**
5. Statute(s) the rule, as filed, amplifies or implements: **4747.04**
6. State the reason(s) for proposing (i.e., why are you filing,) this rule:

The Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters Licensing Board is filing this rule to satisfy five-year rule review requirements. The rule is proposed without change.
7. If the rule is an AMENDMENT, then summarize the changes and the content of the proposed rule; If the rule type is RESCISSION, NEW or NO CHANGE, then summarize the content of the rule:

This rule requires any person, firm, partnership, association, or corporation to be licensed before engaging in the sale or practice of dealing in or fitting of hearing

aids. Firms, partnerships, associations, or corporations are required to obtain a license in order to merchandise hearing aids. Licenses are required to execute the sale of and engage in the practice of dealing or fitting hearing aids, or to supervise a trainee. The rule is proposed without change.

8. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference and the agency claims the incorporation by reference is exempt from compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code because the text or other material is **generally available** to persons who reasonably can be expected to be affected by the rule, provide an explanation of how the text or other material is generally available to those persons:

This response left blank because filer specified online that the rule does not incorporate a text or other material by reference.

9. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material electronically, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material electronically was infeasible:

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10. If the rule is being **rescinded** and incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material was infeasible:

Not Applicable.

11. If **revising** or **refiling** this rule, identify changes made from the previously filed version of this rule; if none, please state so. If applicable, indicate each specific paragraph of the rule that has been modified:

Not Applicable.

12. Five Year Review (FYR) Date: **3/15/2017** and **03/15/2022**

(If the rule is not exempt and you answered NO to question No. 1, provide the scheduled review date. If you answered YES to No. 1, the review date for this rule is the filing date.)

NOTE: If the rule is not exempt at the time of final filing, two dates are required: the current review date plus a date not to exceed 5 years from the effective date

for Amended rules or a date not to exceed 5 years from the review date for No Change rules.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

13. Estimate the total amount by which *this proposed rule* would **increase / decrease** either **revenues / expenditures** for the agency during the current biennium (in dollars): Explain the net impact of the proposed changes to the budget of your agency/department.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

\$0.00

Not applicable

14. Identify the appropriation (by line item etc.) that authorizes each expenditure necessitated by the proposed rule:

Not applicable

15. Provide a summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule to all directly affected persons. When appropriate, please include the source for your information/estimated costs, e.g. industry, CFR, internal/agency:

Persons wishing to obtain Ohio hearing aid licensure must complete an educational program that meets the curriculum requirements set forth in O.A.C. rule 4747-01-19. The cost of obtaining the education in Ohio depends upon the method the student completes to meet the minimum educational requirements for Ohio licensure.

Information gathered found that current tuition purchased from a private sector training program is from \$279 to \$299 for the trainee program and from \$849 to \$949 for a distance learning course. The fee for the international licensing exam is \$250, none of which are paid to the Board. The licensure application fee is \$262 [See R.C. Section 4747.05(A)], with a \$157 renewal fee (See R.C. Section 4747.06). The adverse impact for licensure programs is the cost incurred to develop and maintain courses that meet the minimum curriculum requirements and develop materials to provide required information to students. There is no reliable information upon which a monetary amount can be based.

16. Does this rule have a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations? **No**

17. Does this rule deal with environmental protection or contain a component dealing with environmental protection as defined in R. C. 121.39? **No**

S.B. 2 (129th General Assembly) Questions

18. Has this rule been filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office pursuant to R.C. 121.82? **Yes**

19. Specific to this rule, answer the following:

A.) Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? **Yes**

Persons wishing to obtain Ohio hearing aid licensure must complete an educational program that meets the curriculum requirements set out in O.A.C. 4747-01-19.

B.) Does this rule impose a criminal penalty, a civil penalty, or another sanction, or create a cause of action, for failure to comply with its terms? **No**

C.) Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? **Yes**

The cost of fulfilling the education requirement varies depending upon the method the student takes to meet the minimum educational requirements for Ohio licensure.