

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis

Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 4755-23-12

Rule Type: Rescission

Rule Title/Tagline: Requirements for internationally educated applicants.

Agency Name: Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board

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I. Rule Summary

1. **Is this a five year rule review?** Yes
 - A. **What is the rule's five year review date?** 11/28/2023
2. **Is this rule the result of recent legislation?** Yes
 - A. **If so, what is the bill number, General Assembly and Sponsor?** HB 33 - 135 - Edwards
3. **What statute is this rule being promulgated under?** 119.03
4. **What statute(s) grant rule writing authority?** 4755.411
5. **What statute(s) does the rule implement or amplify?** 4755.42, 4755.421, 4755.43, 4755.431, 4755.44, 4755.441, 4755.45, 4755.451
6. **Does the rule implement a federal law or rule in a manner that is more stringent or burdensome than the federal law or regulation requires?** No
 - A. **If so, what is the citation to the federal law or rule?** Not Applicable
7. **What are the reasons for proposing the rule?**

To align with updated statute.

- 8. Summarize the rule's content, and if this is an amended rule, also summarize the rule's changes.**

Previously, the law allowed for licensure of a physical therapist or a physical therapist assistant who were educated in a country other than the United States if that person can demonstrate through an education evaluation that their education was equivalent to the same in the U.S. based on the time of the initial licensure in the other country. There are some countries, such as India, that use physical therapists, but do not license them. This language poses a problem for individuals who were educated elsewhere and who are trying to come to work in the United States without having been licensed in that other country.

A language change in the budget allows educational equivalency to be based on when that person graduated for people coming from countries that do not issue a license or registration. This rule change aligns with the new law that was changed in the budget bill.

- 9. Does the rule incorporate material by reference? No**
- 10. If the rule incorporates material by reference and the agency claims the material is exempt pursuant to R.C. 121.75, please explain the basis for the exemption and how an individual can find the referenced material.**

Not Applicable

- 11. If revising or re-filing the rule, please indicate the changes made in the revised or re-filed version of the rule.**

Not Applicable

II. Fiscal Analysis

- 12. Please estimate the increase / decrease in the agency's revenues or expenditures in the current biennium due to this rule.**

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

\$0

Not Applicable.

- 13. What are the estimated costs of compliance for all persons and/or organizations directly affected by the rule?**

Cost of of evaluating an education is between \$500-\$1,500

14. **Does the rule increase local government costs? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part B). No**
15. **Does the rule regulate environmental protection? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part C). No**
16. **If the rule imposes a regulation fee, explain how the fee directly relates to your agency's cost in regulating the individual or business.**

Application fee of \$70 - supports the agency's costs for reviewing and processing the licensure application.

III. Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Questions

17. **Was this rule filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office? Yes**
18. **Does this rule have an adverse impact on business? Yes**
 - A. **Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? Yes**

A license is required to practice physical therapy in Ohio per ORC 4755.
 - 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? Yes**

Practicing without a license may result in discipline from the Board.
 - C. **Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? Yes**

Cost of of evaluating an education is between \$500-\$1,500
 - D. **Is it likely that the rule will directly reduce the revenue or increase the expenses of the lines of business of which it will apply or applies? No**

IV. Regulatory Restriction Requirements under S.B. 9. Note: This section only applies to agencies described in R.C. 121.95(A).

19. Are you adding a new or removing an existing regulatory restriction as defined in R.C. 121.95? No

A. How many new regulatory restrictions do you propose adding to this rule?

Not Applicable

B. How many existing regulatory restrictions do you propose removing from this rule?

Not Applicable

C. If you are not removing existing regulatory restrictions from this rule, please list the rule number(s) from which you are removing restrictions.

Not Applicable

D. Please justify the adoption of the new regulatory restriction(s).

Not Applicable