Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis (Part A)

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4755-3-01 Rule Number <u>AMENDMENT</u>

TYPE of rule filing

Rule Title/Tag Line

Applications for initial licensure.

RULE SUMMARY

- 1. Is the rule being filed consistent with the requirements of the RC 119.032 review? **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: 4755.05
- 5. Statute(s) the rule, as filed, amplifies or implements: 4755.06, 4755.07
- 6. State the reason(s) for proposing (i.e., why are you filing,) this rule:

This rule is being amended to add requirements that foreign educated applicants must meet to be eligible for licensure in Ohio.

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:

The amendments require applicants to complete an education credentials review from an entity approved by the Occupational Therapy Section, unless the individual

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was initially certified by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy on or after January 1, 2004. The change also requires applicants to demonstrate that they met the requirements to practice occupational therapy in the country of education. The final change is a requirement that the applicant demonstrate a working knowledge of English by passing either the TOEFL iBT exam or passing the TWE, TSE, and TOEFL.

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:

Not Applicable.

12. 119.032 Rule Review Date: 12/8/2006

(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:

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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:

Since most applicants will take the English competency examination prior to taking the NBCOT certification examination, there should be no additional cost incurred by the applicant if they request that NBCOT send a file copy of the exam results directly to the Board. Otherwise, the applicant would incur the exam registration fee. The Board typically has fewer than 15 foreign educated applicants per year.

- 16. Does this rule have a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations? N_0
- 17. Does this rule deal with environmental protection or contain a component dealing with environmental protection as defined in R. C. 121.39? N_0