

Mississippi Secretary of State
125 S. Congress Street, Jackson, MS 39201

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

AGENCY NAME MS State Board of Optometry		CONTACT PERSON Beverly Limbaugh		TELEPHONE NUMBER (601) 919-1343	
ADDRESS PO Box 12370		CITY Jackson		STATE MS	ZIP 39236 -2370
EMAIL director@msbo.ms.gov	SUBMIT DATE 9/10/2020	Name or number of rule(s): Part 2901 Chapter 4 Continuing Education, 4.1 General Requirements, 4.1 (a) and (b)			

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: Due to COVID19

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Miss. Code Ann. Section 73-19-9.

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Part 2901 Chapter 4 Continuing Education, 4.1 General Requirements, 4.1 (a) and (b)

ORAL PROCEEDING:

☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____

☒ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

☒ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☐ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES

☒ Original filing
☐ Renewal of effectiveness
 To be in effect in _____ days
 Effective date:
☒ Immediately upon filing
☐ Other (specify): _____

PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES

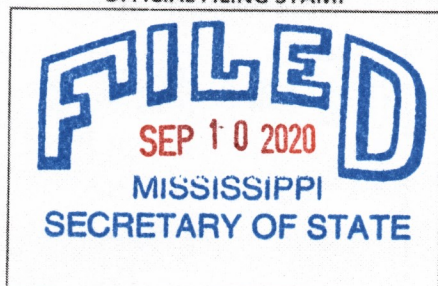
Action proposed:
☐ New rule(s)
☐ Amendment to existing rule(s)
☐ Repeal of existing rule(s)
☐ Adoption by reference
 Proposed final effective date:
☐ 30 days after filing
☐ Other (specify): _____

FINAL ACTION ON RULES

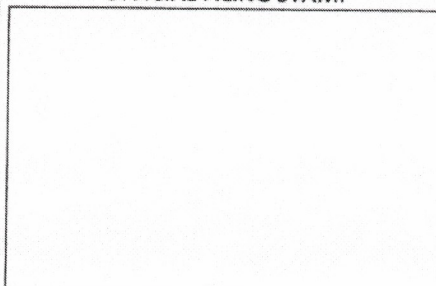
Date Proposed Rule Filed: _____
 Action taken:
☐ Adopted with no changes in text
☐ Adopted with changes
☐ Adopted by reference
☐ Withdrawn
☐ Repeal adopted as proposed
 Effective date:
☐ 30 days after filing
☐ Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Beverly Limbaugh, Executive Director

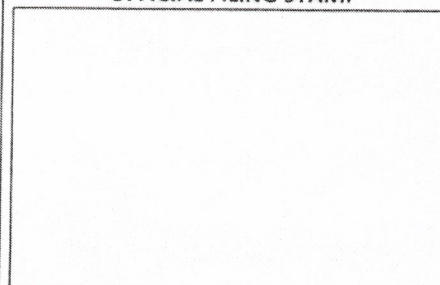
Signature of person authorized to file rules: *Beverly Limbaugh*

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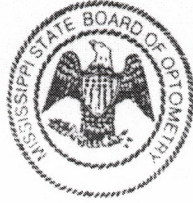
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The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.



MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

License Renewal 2020

The Board of Optometry met on July 11, 2020 and voted to modify Rule 4.1 (a) & (b) and allow for all twenty (20) hours of continuing education to be obtained via correspondence/non face-to-face continuing education for this calendar year only. Each licensed Optometrist shall take 20 hours of continuing education.

All 20 hours may be correspondence/non face-to-face and must be either:

- *approved by the Counsel on Optometric Practitioner Education (COPE),
- *taken at a National, Regional, or State Conference or
- *taken at a school of optometry/teaching institution.