TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners Rule No. 850-X-5	
Rule Title: Fees New x Amend Repeal	_Adopt by Reference
Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety?	Yes
Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare?	Yes
Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public?	No
Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree?	No
Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule?	No
Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public?	Yes
Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule?	No
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Does the proposed rule have an economic impact?Yes	
If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975 .	d rule is required e with subsection
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I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Legislative Server of the Legislativ	Code of Alabama
Signature of certifying officer	
Date5/6/71	& FILED
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Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners

RULE NO. & TITLE: 850-X-5 Fees

INTENDED ACTION: Amend

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The Board proposes to amend the regulations to update fees per Act 2021-315.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Written comments will be accepted by the Board until 4:30pm, Thursday, July 5, 2021. Comments should be directed to Rachel Dickinson, Executive Director at 100 North Union Street, Suite 736, Montgomery, AL 36104 or email at Rachel.dickinson@swb.alabama.gov

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: Monday, July 5, 2021

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Rachel Dickinson, Executive Director 100 North Union Street, Suite 736 Montgomery, AL 36104

Rachel Dickinson Executive Director

CHAPTER 850-X-5

FEES

850-X-5-.01 Method of Payment. Fees shall be payable to the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners. Payment of fees should be made by money order, credit card accepted by the State, company or cashier's checks. No cash or <u>personal checks</u> will be accepted as payment of fees. Applications not accompanied by the proper fee will be returned to the applicant.

Author: Alabama Board of Social Work Examiners

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§34-30-57(4) (1991); 41-22-4(a)(2)
(1991).

History: Repealed and Replaced: Filed October 31, 1997; Operative December 5, 1997; effective January 1, 1998; March 8, 2007; effective April 12, 2007; September 15, 2016; effective October 21, 2016; Filed May 6, 2021; effective July 2021.

850-X-5-.02 Processing Fees. The Board shall charge the following processing fees.

Renewal of License	\$100.00	
Reinstatement of License cycle	\$500 \$100.00 per lapsed renewal	
Inactive Registration	\$ 25.00	
Application Fees:		
Examination	\$ 75.00	
Re-Examination	\$ 75.00	
Reciprocity	\$ 75.00	
Private Independent Practice	\$ 75.00	
Supervision Certification	\$ 50.00	
Printing for Replacement License	\$ 10.00	
Documentation Copying Fee	\$ 1.00 per page	
Processing Verification Form	\$ 15.00	
Application for CE Provider	\$150.00	
Replacement of I.D. Card	\$ 5.00	
Replacement of Gold Seal	\$ 5.00	

Author: Alabama Board of Social Work Examiners Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-30-25.

History: Filed June 30, 2014; Effective October 4, 2014; September 15, 2016; effective October 21, 2016. Filed May 6, 2021; effective July 2021.

n/a

FOR APA RULE (Section 41-22-23(f))

Control No Department or Agency_Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners
Rule No: 850-x-5
Rule Title: <u>Fees</u>
New x Amend Repeal Adopt by
This rule has no economic impact.
x This rule has an economic impact, as explained below:
 NEED/EXPECTED BENEFIT OF RULE: The amended rule will allow the Board to charge and collect fees.
2. COSTS/BENEFITS OF RULE AND WHY RULE IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT, AND FEASIBLE MEANS FOR ALLOCATING RESOURCES AND ACHIEVING THE STATED PURPOSE: There is no cost associated with this amendment. An estimate of the increase in receipts will be \$16,000 annually. Also an undetermined increase will be made by the fee charged for supervisor registration.
3. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON COMPETITION: n/a

4. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON COST-OF-LIVING AND DOING BUSINESS IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA WHERE THE RULE IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED:

- 5. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON EMPLOYMENT IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA WHERE THE RULE IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED: n/a
 - 6. SOURCE OF REVENUE TO BE USED FOR IMPLEMENTING AND ENFORCING THIS RULE: none
 - 7. THE SHORT-TERM/LONG-TERM ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THIS RULE ON AFFECTED PERSONS, INCLUDING ANALYSIS OF PERSONS WHO WILL BEAR THE COSTS AND THOSE WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE RULE: n/a
 - 8. UNCERTAINTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ESTIMATED BENEFITS AND BURDENS OF THE RULE, INCLUDING QUALITATIVE/QUANTITATIVE BENEFITS AND BURDEN COMPARISON: none
 - 9. THE EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH: none
- 10. DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH IF THE RULE IS NOT IMPLEMENTED: none
- **Additional pages may be used if needed.

Committee: Boards, Agencies and Commissions Sponsor: Smith
Analyst: Bryan Young Date: 02/24/2021

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 346 as amended and reported by the Committee on Boards, Agencies and Commissions would codify previous practices of the Alabama Board of Social Work Examiners to charge and collect fees established by the Board by Administrative Rule. Based on the fees paid in fiscal years 2017 and 2018 to: (1) verify a current license; (2) reactivate an inactive license or reinstate a lapsed license; or (3) apply to act as a continuing education provider, the estimated increase in receipts to the Board is \$16,000 annually.

This bill would further increase receipts to the Board by an undetermined amount dependent upon the fee set by the Board to register a supervisor and the number of supervisors registered.

Howard Sanderford, Chair Boards, Agencies and Commissions