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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE
OF INTENDED ACTION

Control: 532

Department or Agency: Alabama Massage Therapy Licensing Board

Rule No.: 532-X-1-.11

Rule Title: Schedule Of Fees

Intended Action Amend

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? No

To what degree?: N/A

Is the increase in cost more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? NA

Are all facets of the rule-making 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? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

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Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of certifying officer

Peggy Benson

Peggy Benson, AL

Date

Monday, June 23, 2025

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LEGISLATIVE SVC AGENCY

ALABAMA MASSAGE THERAPY LICENSING BOARD

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Massage Therapy Licensing Board, Alabama

RULE NO. & TITLE: 532-X-1-.11 Schedule Of Fees

INTENDED ACTION: Amend

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

The Alabama Massage Therapy Licensing Board proposes to revise the agency fee schedule in accordance with Alabama Act 2025-395.

TIME, PLACE AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:

Written or verbal comments will be accepted through 4:30 pm on Thursday, September 4, 2025 and may be directed to Honor.Ingels@abn.alabama.gov or 334-293-5200.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Thursday, September 4, 2025

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:

Honor L Ingels

Peggy Benson

Peggy Benson, AL

(Signature of officer authorized
to promulgate and adopt
rules or his or her deputy)

- (1) Fees and fines are non-refundable.
- (2) Fees are valid for 12 months from date of receipt.
- (3) Fees and fines may be paid by electronic means using a credit or debit card, if available. Other means of payment may be cashier's check, business check, money order, or certified check. The board may, at its discretion and subject to established guidelines, require that a single fee be paid by a combination of both electronic and other means.
- (4) Personal checks are only acceptable when the individual applicant's or licensee's name is imprinted on the check. Personal checks that are not acceptable forms of payment are:
 - (a) Counter checks.
 - (b) Third-party checks.
 - (c) Any check from an out-of-state bank.
 - (d) Fines.
- (5) Payment, regardless of method, that is not honored by the financial institution may result in disciplinary action and reporting to the appropriate authorities for prosecution.
- (6) At its discretion, the Board may require that a fee or fine be paid using certified funds.
- (7) The statutory bad check charge applies to any personal check returned by the financial institution for insufficient funds.
- (8) The following schedule of fees and charges shall apply:
 - (a) One hundred fifty dollars (~~\$100~~\$150) for an initial massage therapist license.
 - (b) One hundred twenty-five dollars (~~\$100~~\$125) for a biennial license renewal postmarked or received at the office of the board on or before the expiration date of the license.
 - (c) ~~One~~Three hundred fifty dollars (~~\$100~~\$350) for an initial, and three hundred fifty dollars (~~\$50~~\$350) for any renewal of, a massage therapy establishment license.

(d) ~~One~~Two hundred fifty dollars (~~\$150~~\$250) for an initial registration, and any renewal registration, as a massage therapy school in this state.

(e) One hundred dollars (\$100) to register and renew registration as a massage therapy instructor in this state.

(f) ~~Seventy~~One hundred and seventy-five dollars (~~\$75~~\$175) to reactivate an expired license.

~~(g) Twenty-five (h) Thirty~~ dollars (~~\$25~~) shall be added to any license fees not postmarked or received at the office of the board on or before the expiration date of the license.

~~(h) Ten dollars~~ (~~\$10~~\$30) for a duplicate license certificate or a name change on a license certificate.

(9) The following necessary administrative fees shall be charged by the board:

(a) Public records requests:

1. Document retrieval and preparation: \$5.00 for the first hour or any portion thereof \$20.00 per each additional hour or any portion thereof

2. per page fees: \$0.50 per page for copies produced on standard 8.5 X 11 paper

3. Actual costs: Any costs incurred while processing or responding to a request, including but not limited to hardware necessary for producing electronic records, specialty paper, and costs incurred to search electronic databases.

(b) Fifty dollars (\$50) for a roster (name and license number only)

(c) ~~Twenty-five dollars~~ (~~\$25~~)Actual current cost for a state and federal criminal history background check

(d) Fifty dollars (\$50) for a Temporary Supervisory Permit

~~(e) Twenty-five dollars~~ (~~\$25~~) ~~for a therapist registration to an establishment~~

~~(f)~~ Thirty-five dollars (\$35) for verification of licensure.

Author: Alabama Massage Therapy Licensing Board

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-43A-12.

History: **New Rule:** Published September 30, 2024; effective
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