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Re: Notice of Emergency Rule

Dear Governor Edwards:

In compliance with the provisions of La. R.S. 49:953(B), this will serve notice of the Board's adoption of an Emergency Rule during their meeting yesterday. The Emergency Rule is responsive to the legislative mandate in House Concurrent Resolution 71 of the 2020 Regular Session which directs the Board to suspend the collection of license renewal fees for existing businesses located within the state for those credentials which are scheduled to expire between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. A copy of the Declaration of Emergency and Emergency Rule is attached. In the event you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me directly at mbroussard@pharmacy.la.gov or 225.925.6481.

For the Board:

Malcolm J Broussard
Executive Director

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EMERGENCY RULE

Department of Health

Board of Pharmacy

Temporary Suspension of License Renewal Fees (LAC 46:LIII.1150)

The Louisiana Board of Pharmacy is exercising the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, specifically at R.S. 49:953(B), to promulgate an emergency rule to implement a temporary suspension of license renewal fees for a limited period of time.

During their 2020 Regular Session, the Louisiana Legislature adopted House Concurrent Resolution 71 which directs professional licensing boards to adopt emergency rules to suspend the collection of license renewal fees for existing businesses located in Louisiana for licenses, certificates, permits and registrations scheduled to expire from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

The Board has determined this emergency rule is necessary to comply with the legislative mandate in House Concurrent Resolution 71 of the 2020 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature. This emergency rule shall become effective June 30, 2020 and shall remain in effect for 120 days unless rescinded or renewed.

Title 46

PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Part LIII. Pharmacists

Chapter 11. Pharmacies

§1150. Temporary Suspension of License Renewal Fees

A. During their 2020 Regular Session, the Louisiana Legislature adopted House Concurrent Resolution 71, which requires professional licensing boards to adopt emergency rules to suspend the collection of license renewal fees for existing businesses located in Louisiana for licenses, certificates, permits and registrations scheduled to expire from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Part to the contrary, the board shall waive the collection of the renewal fee and any associated late renewal fee for any of the following credentials scheduled to expire at any time from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, excluding any credentials issued to nonresident pharmacies, facilities, or other businesses located outside Louisiana:

1. Pharmacy permits.
2. Durable medical equipment permits.
3. Emergency drug kit permits.
4. Automated medication system registrations.
5. Controlled dangerous substance licenses issued to the following business categories:
 - a. Automated medication systems;
 - b. Drug and device distributors;
 - c. Hospitals;
 - d. Laboratories;
 - e. Manufacturers;
 - f. Pharmacies;
 - g. Registered outsourcing facilities;
 - h. Substance abuse clinics; and
 - i. Third party logistics providers.

C. All other types of fees associated with the issuance and renewal of various licenses, certificates, permits and registrations issued to existing businesses located in Louisiana, including reinstatement fees, prescription monitoring program assessments,

pharmacy education support fees, administrative hearing fees, and other fees itemized in R.S. 37:1184 are excluded from this temporary suspension of license renewal fees.

D. All fees associated with the issuance and renewal of various licenses, certificates, permits and registrations issued to new and existing businesses located outside Louisiana are excluded from this temporary suspension of license renewal fees.

E. All fees associated with the issuance and renewal of various licenses, certificates, permits and registration issued to individual persons located within or outside Louisiana are excluded from this temporary suspension of license renewal fees.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1182.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health, Board of Pharmacy, LR

Malcolm J Broussard

Executive Director