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Governor Mark Dayton
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Subject: Annual Report on Obsolete, Unnecessary or Duplicative Rules as Required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 14.05, Subdivision 5

Dear Governor Dayton, Senators, Representatives, and Revisor Timmons:

Minnesota Statutes, section 14.05, subdivision 5, directs the the Minnesota Board of Psychology to report to you by December 1 of each year whether any of its rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules.

The Board of Psychology has reviewed its rules and finds that the following rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative:

Minnesota Rule 7200.0550, Subp. 3, C.

Language: [F]or an application based upon the equivalent of a master's degree in a doctoral program, provide for that equivalency to be verified in writing directly to the board by the degree program director or equivalent. Verification shall be received in the board office prior to processing the application.

Basis: Obsolete. Minn. R. 7200.0550, Subp. 3, C. is obsolete because the Minnesota Board of Psychology by statute only licenses individuals who have "...earned a doctoral degree with a major in psychology from a regionally accredited educational institution meeting the standards the board has established by rule." See, Minn. Stat. 148.907, subd. 2(6).

Agency Action: The process is currently underway to repeal Minn. R. 7200.0550, Subp. 3, C., as a part of the proposed rulemaking noted in RD4329 which just completed a Request for Comments period on December 24, 2015 and is under review by the Board's Rules Committee.

Minnesota Rule 7200.1300

Language: Grandparenting provision. Notwithstanding the provisions of subpart 1, the educational requirements for licensure as a licensed psychologist for any applicant who has met the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 148.907, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), clause (1), is a master's degree, including a master's equivalent in a doctoral program, with a major in psychology obtained in an institution accredited by a regional accrediting association. The applicant must have been accepted into the program by November 1, 1991, whether or not the applicant had enrolled in class by that date. An applicant who entered the program by November 1, 1991, and who later transferred to another program leading to a degree in psychology is considered having met the admission requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 148.907, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), clause (1).

Basis: Obsolete. Minn. R. 7200.1300, Subp. 2, is obsolete as it requires that the individual applicant applying for licensure under the "grandparenting provision," have entered the respective graduate program by November 1, 1991. The Board has made reasonable efforts to identify individuals meeting these requirements, and has had no such applicant since August 2009 to the best of our knowledge. As such, this rule serves no purpose having no qualified individuals to utilize this rule.

Agency Action: The Board will be reviewing options for the repeal of this rule as noted in Minn. Stat. 14.47, subd. 6(b), by Legislative action, Minn. Stat. 14.388(3), Minn. Stat. 14.05, subd. 5, and the rulemaking process. The Board intends to have elected an option and developed plans to implement this option by December 31, 2016.

Minnesota Rule 7200.1455

Language: Incomplete Educational Requirements. An applicant with a doctoral or master's degree in psychology or a master's equivalent in a doctoral program in psychology...

Basis: Portion of rule language is obsolete. Minn. R. 7200.1455, has language in the introductory paragraph A., that is obsolete which is noted above. This language deals with the options for applicants with either (1) a master's degree in psychology; or (2) a master's equivalent in a doctoral program in psychology. Neither of these education levels are eligible for licensure with the Board. *See*, Minn. Stat. 148.907, subd. 2(6) (requiring a doctoral degree with a major in psychology from a regionally accredited educational institution meeting the standards the board has established by rule).

Agency Action: The Board will be reviewing options for the repeal of this rule as noted in Minn. Stat. 14.47, subd. 6(b), by Legislative action, Minn. Stat. 14.388(3), Minn. Stat. 14.05, subd. 5, and the rulemaking process. The Board intends to have elected an option and developed plans to implement this option by December 31, 2016.

Please let me know if I can provide further assistance.

Sincerely,

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