

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DIVISION[645]

Adopted and Filed

Rule making related to initial licensure and licensure reactivation

The Board of Sign Language Interpreters and Transliterators hereby amends Chapter 361, “Licensure of Sign Language Interpreters and Transliterators,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is adopted under the authority provided in Iowa Code chapter 154E.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code chapter 154E.

Purpose and Summary

These amendments change the process of applying for endorsement by requiring an applicant to provide verification of licensure only from the jurisdiction in which the applicant was most recently licensed, by requiring the applicant to disclose public or pending complaints in any other jurisdiction in which the applicant is licensed, and by removing notary requirements.

Public Comment and Changes to Rule Making

Notice of Intended Action for this rule making was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on November 16, 2022, as **ARC 6659C**. A public hearing was held on December 7, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Conference Room 526, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa. No one attended the public hearing. No public comments were received.

Four changes from the Notice have been made for consistency with other licensure rules.

Adoption of Rule Making

This rule making was adopted by the Board on January 23, 2023.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

A waiver provision is not included in this rule making because all administrative rules of the professional licensure boards in the Professional Licensure Division are subject to the waiver provisions accorded under 645—Chapter 18.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee’s meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

Effective Date

This rule making will become effective on May 24, 2023.

The following rule-making actions are adopted:

ITEM 1. Amend subparagraph **361.4(1)“e”(2)** as follows:

(2) A ~~notarized~~ certificate which shall be submitted showing proof of the successful completion of the examination specified in rule 645—361.2(154E); and

ITEM 2. Amend paragraph **361.4(1)“f,”** introductory paragraph, as follows:

f. Provides verification of ~~license(s) license~~ from ~~every the~~ jurisdiction in which the applicant has most recently been licensed, sent directly from the ~~jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction~~ to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification directly from the jurisdiction’s board office if the verification provides:

ITEM 3. Amend subparagraph **361.9(3)“a”(1)**, introductory paragraph, as follows:

(1) Verification of the ~~license(s) license~~ from ~~every the~~ jurisdiction in which the applicant ~~is or has been licensed and is or~~ has most recently been practicing during the time period in which the Iowa license was inactive, sent directly from the ~~jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction~~ to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction’s board office if the verification includes:

ITEM 4. Amend subparagraph **361.9(3)“a”(2)** as follows:

(2) Verification of completing 40 hours of continuing education within two years of the application for reactivation or verification of active practice, consisting of a minimum of 2,080 hours, in another state or jurisdiction during the two years preceding an application for reactivation; and

ITEM 5. Amend subparagraph **361.9(3)“b”(1)**, introductory paragraph, as follows:

(1) Verification of the ~~license(s) license~~ from ~~every the~~ jurisdiction in which the applicant ~~is or has been licensed and is or~~ has most recently been practicing during the time period in which the Iowa license was inactive, sent directly from the ~~jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction~~ to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction’s board office if the verification includes:

ITEM 6. Amend subparagraph **361.9(3)“b”(2)** as follows:

(2) Verification of completion of 80 hours of continuing education within two years of application for reactivation or verification of active practice, consisting of a minimum of 2,080 hours, in another state or jurisdiction during the two years preceding an application for reactivation; and

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