

**SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY  
NRS 233B.0608**

**Board of Occupational Therapy  
R094-25**

**1. A description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**

Comments were solicited from small businesses, specifically licensed occupational therapists who are owners, operators or provide occupational therapy services as self-employed practitioners, by notification. Additionally, comments were solicited at all public Board meetings, at a Public Workshop held on January 24, 2026, and at a Public Hearing on Board regulations held on March 21, 2026.

No public comments were received at the workshop and public hearing.

Copies of the proposed regulation and notice of workshop were sent by e-mail to persons who were known to have an interest in occupational therapy as well as any persons who had specifically requested such notice. These documents were also made available on the website of the Board of Occupational Therapy, [www.nvot.org](http://www.nvot.org), and posted at the following locations:

Notice of Workshop:

Board of Occupational Therapy, Administrative Office  
6170 Mae Anne Ave., Suite 1, Reno, Nevada 89523  
<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/> - Nevada Legislature Administrative Notices  
<https://notice.nv.gov/> - State of Nevada Public Notices  
<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/register/> - State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations

A copy of this summary of the public response to the proposed regulations may be obtain from the Board of Occupational Therapy, 6170 Mae Anne Ave., Suite 1, Reno, Nevada 89523, telephone 775-746-4101, or email to [board@nvot.org](mailto:board@nvot.org).

**2. The manner in which the analysis was conducted, including the methods used to determine the impacts of the proposed regulation on small business.**

The Board used informed, reasonable judgment in determining that there will not be an impact on small businesses.

In making this determination, the Board considered the comments received during workshops, hearings and meetings of the Board resulting in a determination that occupational therapy practitioners regulated by the Board will not have their practice impacted nor will there be an impact on a small business.

**3. The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses which it is to regulate, including, without limitation:**

- (a) Both adverse and beneficial effects; and**
- (b) Both direct and indirect effects.**

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There will be **no significant adverse economic effect of these adopted regulations** on the businesses which it is to regulate (occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants) or the public. The adopted regulations will benefit the occupational therapy practitioners and the public by providing clarification in the regulations.

(b) Both direct and indirect effects.

Immediate effect will be improved administration through clarification of existing law and regulatory requirements. Long-term effect will be clarity and consistency in regulation of occupational therapy practitioners in Nevada.

**4. As amended during the 2025 Legislative Session, NRS 233B.0608 and NRS 233B.0609 requires the following information:**

- (a) The total number of small businesses likely to be affected by the proposed regulation; and**
- (b) A list of the chambers of commerce and trade associations notified of the proposed regulation pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 233B.0608.**

(a) The total number of small businesses that would be affected is zero, as the regulation is regarding temporary license revisions and self-reporting requirements.

(b) The information was not practicable. Licensees were notified of the regulation. A small percentage of licensees are independent business owners. The Board did not receive any comments from the licensees that are business owners and that hold Nevada business licenses.

**5. A description of the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of those methods.**

The Board used informed, reasonable judgment in determining that there will not be an impact on small businesses due to the nature of the revisions. No other methods were utilized.

**6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.**

There are no additional costs involved in the enforcement of these adopted regulations.

**7. If the proposed regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.**

The regulation does not contain an increase in existing fees or new fees.

**8. If the proposed regulation includes provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, an explanation of why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary.**

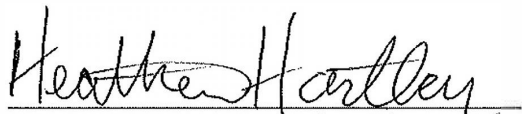
The Board of Occupational Therapy is not aware of any similar federal, state or local standards regulating the practice of Occupational Therapy. These adopted regulations do not duplicate nor are they more stringent than federal, state or local standards.

**9. The reasons for the conclusion of the agency regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses.**

The Board of Occupational Therapy regulates the practice of occupational therapy and licenses qualified individuals as occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants.

The adopted regulation does not impact small businesses as the regulation provides clarity and consistency for the public and individuals regulated pertaining to the requirements to practice occupational therapy in the State of Nevada.

**I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge or belief a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and that this statement was properly prepared and the information contained herein is accurate.**

  
Heather Hartley, Executive Director