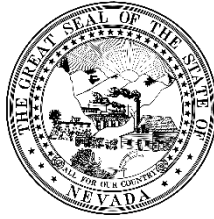


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**SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**  
**CHANGES TO NAC 634A**  
**5/4/2024**

**Changes to NAC 634A Small Business Impact Statement Pursuant to NRS233B.0608:**

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

The Board emailed out a small business impact form on 3/10/2023 to solicit written input from its licensees and requestors. There was no written feedback. A public workshop was held on 4/13/2023 to solicit comments. Public comment on each regulation change was solicited at the public workshop. Also, on 5/21/2024, public comment was solicited at the public hearing held with the intent to adopt regulation R024-24.

Notices of these workshops and the public hearing were posted at Nevada State Board of Oriental Medicine, Nevada State Board of Oriental Medicine website: <http://orientalmedicine.nv.gov/>, State Library and Archives, website @ Notice.NV.GOV, and State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations. Also, the Workshop notice and the proposed regulation and the Notice of Intent to Adopt Regulation R024-24 were emailed to individuals on the Board's emailing list.

At both the workshop and the public hearing, there was concern about the elimination of chemistry/biochemistry in NAC634A.080 as requirements for the licensing application. Also, at the workshop, there was public comment about eliminating NAC634A.035, NAC634A.125, and NAC634A.137 as they seem redundant. At the public hearing, there was a discussion about whether the proposed renewal fee was lowered enough.

The minutes of the workshop and the public hearing contain summaries of the public response to the proposed regulations. Copies of the minutes may be obtained from the Board of Oriental Medicine, 3191 E. Warm Springs Road, Las Vegas, NV 89120, telephone: 702-675-5326 or email @ [omboardexecutivedirector@gmail.com](mailto:omboardexecutivedirector@gmail.com), or on its website at <http://orientalmedicine.nv.gov/>

**2. The manner in which the analysis was conducted (if an impact was determined).**

No impact was determined.

**3. The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on small businesses:**

**a. Both adverse and beneficial effects**

There is no adverse impact upon the business and the public as fees have been reduced. The benefits include provisions that clarifies the authority of the State Board of Oriental Medicine to issue approve Oriental Medicine schools where an applicant is already licensed in a different state, updates the name of the school accreditation commission, removes the subject of chemistry or biochemistry from the requirements for a program of study, expands the timeframe of CEU acceptance, repeals the need of issuing temporary certificates to non-licensees to conduct lecturing/educational seminars, and eliminating and reducing certain fees.

The immediate and long-term effect is that it will be less costly for the applicants and the licensees as certain fees have been reduced.

**b. Both direct and indirect effects**

See response in 3a.

**4. 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 the methods. (Include a discussion of any considerations of the methods listed below.)**

**A. Simplification of the proposed regulation**

There has not been any recommendations by the public regarding the simplification of the proposed regulations.

**B. Establishment of different standards of compliance for a small business**

N/A

**C. Modification of fees or fines so that a small business is authorized to pay a lower fee or fine.**

Certain fees such as the application fee and the renewal fee have been reduced.

**5. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation. (Include a discussion of the methods used to estimate those costs.)**

None.

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

These regulations do not provide any new fees or increase of fees.

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

The proposed regulations do not include provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than any federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity.

**8. The reasons for the conclusions regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses.**

Due to no written responses from the small business impact survey, the proposed regulations do not impose an economic burden upon small businesses or restrict the formation, operation or expansion of small businesses.

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

*Merle Lok*  
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5/28/24  
Date