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HOUSE BILL NO. 780

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 41.950, 256.465, 317.001, 317.006, 317.011, 317.013, 317.015, 317.018, 324.520, 324.522, 327.011, 327.111, 327.181, 327.201, 327.291, 327.441, 327.633, 331.010, 334.120, 335.016, 335.036, 335.066, 335.068, 335.076, 335.096, 335.097, 335.212, 336.010, 336.020, 336.030, 336.040, 336.050, 336.060, 336.070, 336.080, 336.090, 336.140, 336.160, 336.200, 336.220, 336.225, 337.600, 337.603, 337.604, 337.606, 337.609, 337.612, 337.615, 337.618, 337.622, 337.624, 337.627, 337.630, 337.636, 337.639, 337.650, 337.653, 337.659, 337.665, 337.668, 337.674, 337.677, 337.680, 337.686, 337.689, 337.700, 337.715, 337.718, 338.220, 339.100, 339.513, 344.020, 344.030, 344.040, 344.050, 344.060, 344.070, 344.080, 344.105, 345.015, 345.030, 345.045, 345.055, 346.015, 346.030, 346.035, 346.055, 346.060, 346.110, 383.130, 383.133, 620.010, and 621.045, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one hundred sixteen new sections relating to the division of professional registration, with penalty provisions and an effective date for certain sections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 41.950, 256.465, 317.001, 317.006, 317.011, 317.013, 317.015,

- 2 317.018, 324.520, 324.522, 327.011, 327.111, 327.181, 327.201, 327.291, 327.441, 327.633,
- 3 331.010, 334.120, 335.016, 335.036, 335.066, 335.068, 335.076, 335.096, 335.097, 335.212,
- 4 336.010, 336.020, 336.030, 336.040, 336.050, 336.060, 336.070, 336.080, 336.090, 336.140,

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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    346.060, 346.110, 383.130, 383.133, 620.010, and 621.045, RSMo, are repealed and one
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    hundred sixteen new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 41.950, 192.632,
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   256.465, 317.001, 317.006, 317.011, 317.013, 317.015, 317.018, 317.019, 324.520, 324.522,
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    344.108, 345.015, 345.030, 345.033, 345.045, 345.055, 346.015, 346.030, 346.035, 346.055,
    346.060, 346.110, 383.130, 383.133, 407.309, 620.010, and 621.045, to read as follows:
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41.950. 1. Any resident of this state who is a member of the national guard or of any reserve component of the armed forces of the United States or who is a member of the United States Army, the United States Navy, the United States Air Force, the United States Marine Corps, the United States Coast Guard or an officer of the United States Public Health Service detailed by proper authority for duty with any branch of the United States armed forces described in this section and who is engaged in the performance of active duty in the military service of the United States in a military conflict in which reserve components have been called to active duty under the authority of 10 U.S.C. 672(d) or 10 U.S.C. 673b or any such subsequent call or order by the President or Congress for any period of thirty days or more shall be relieved from certain provisions of state law, as follows:

- (1) No person performing such military service who owns a motor vehicle shall be required to maintain financial responsibility on such motor vehicle as required under section 303.025, RSMo, until such time as that person completes such military service, unless any person shall be operating such motor vehicle while the vehicle owner is performing such military service;
- (2) No person failing to renew his driver's license while performing such military service shall be required to take a complete examination as required under section 302.173, RSMo, when renewing his license within sixty days after completing such military service;

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- (3) Any motor vehicle registration required under chapter 301, RSMo, that expires for any person performing such military service may be renewed by such person within sixty days of completing such military service without being required to pay a delinquent registration fee; 22 however, such motor vehicle shall not be operated while the person is performing such military service unless the motor vehicle registration is renewed;
 - (4) Any person enrolled by the supreme court of Missouri or licensed, registered or certified under chapter 168, 256, 289, 317, **324,** 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 375, 640 or 644, RSMo, and interpreters licensed under sections 209.319 to 209.339, RSMo, whose license, registration or certification expires while performing such military service, may renew such license, registration or certification within sixty days of completing such military service without penalty;
 - (5) In the case of annual reports, franchise tax reports or other reports required to be filed with the office of secretary of state, where the filing of such report would be delayed because of a person performing such military service, such reports shall be filed without penalty within one hundred twenty days of the completion of such military service;
 - (6) No person performing such military service who is subject to a criminal summons for a traffic violation shall be subject to nonappearance sanctions for such violation until after one hundred eighty days after the completion of such military service;
 - (7) No person performing such military service who is required under state law to file financial disclosure reports shall be required to file such reports while performing such military service; however, such reports covering that period of time that such military service is performed shall be filed within one hundred eighty days after the completion of such military service;
 - (8) Any person with an indebtedness, liability or obligation for state income tax or property tax on personal or real property who is performing such military service or a spouse of such person filing a combined return or owning property jointly shall be granted an extension to file any papers or to pay any obligation until one hundred eighty days after the completion of such military service or continuous hospitalization as a result of such military service notwithstanding the provisions of section 143.991, RSMo, to the contrary and shall be allowed to pay such tax without penalty or interest if paid within the one-hundred-eighty-day period;
 - (9) Notwithstanding other provisions of the law to the contrary, for the purposes of this section, interest shall be allowed and paid on any overpayment of tax imposed by sections 143.011 to 143.998, RSMo, at the rate of six percent per annum from the original due date of the return or the date the tax was paid, whichever is later;
 - (10) No state agency, board, commission or administrative tribunal shall take any administrative action against any person performing such military service for that person's failure to take any required action or meet any required obligation not already provided for in

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- subdivisions (1) to (8) of this subsection until one hundred eighty days after the completion of such military service, except that any agency, board, commission or administrative tribunal affected by this subdivision may, in its discretion, extend the time required to take such action or meet such obligation beyond the one-hundred-eighty-day period;
 - (11) Any disciplinary or administrative action or proceeding before any state agency, board, commission or administrative tribunal where the person performing such military service is a necessary party, which occurs during such period of military service, shall be stayed by the administrative entity before which it is pending until sixty days after the end of such military service.
- 2. Upon completing such military service, the person shall provide the appropriate agency, board, commission or administrative tribunal an official order from the appropriate military authority as evidence of such military service.
- 3. The provisions of this section shall apply to any individual defined in subsection 1 of this section who performs such military service on or after August 2, 1990.
 - 192.632. 1. There is hereby created a "Chronic Kidney Disease Task Force". Unless otherwise stated, members shall be appointed by the director of the department of health and senior services and shall include, but not be limited to, the following members:
- 4 (1) Two physicians appointed from lists submitted by the Missouri State Medical 5 Association;
- 6 (2) Two nephrologists;
- 7 (3) Two family physicians;
 - (4) Two pathologists;
- 9 (5) One member who represents owners or operators of clinical laboratories in the 10 state;
 - (6) One member who represents a private renal care provider;
- 12 (7) One member who has a chronic kidney disease;
- 13 **(8) One member who represents the state affiliate of the National Kidney** 14 **Foundation:**
 - (9) One member who represents the Missouri Kidney Program;
- 16 (10) Two members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;
- 18 **(11)** Two members of the senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate;
- 20 (12) Additional members may be chosen to represent public health clinics, 21 community health centers, and private health insurers.
- 22 **2.** A chairperson and a vice-chairperson shall be elected by the members of the task 23 force.

- 24 3. The chronic kidney task force shall:
 - (1) Develop a plan to educate the public and health care professionals about the advantages and methods of early screening, diagnosis, and treatment of chronic kidney disease and its complications based on kidney disease outcomes, quality initiative clinical practice guidelines for chronic kidney disease, or other medically recognized clinical practice guidelines:
 - (2) Make recommendations on the implementation of a cost-effective plan for early screening, diagnosis, and treatment of chronic kidney disease for the state's population;
 - (3) Identify barriers to adoption of best practices and potential public policy options to address such barriers;
 - (4) Submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the general assembly within one year of its first meeting.
 - 4. The department of health and senior services shall provide all necessary staff, research, and meeting facilities for the chronic kidney disease task force.
 - 256.465. 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury "The Board of Geologist Registration Fund".
 - 2. The board shall establish, by rule, fees to be charged for applications, examinations, certification and certification renewal. The fees shall be set at an amount which shall not be more than that required to administer sections 256.450 to 256.483. [Any balance in the fund at the end of the biennium shall remain in the fund and shall not be subject to the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo.] The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the amount of the appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year or, if the board requires by rule permit renewal less frequently than yearly, then three times the appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year.

317.001. As used in sections 317.001 to 317.021, the following words and terms mean:

- (1) "Amateur", a person who competes in a boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, or full-contact karate event who has not competed as a contestant for valuable consideration in any event in which similar boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, or full-contact karate skills were used or allowed;
- (2) "Bout", one match involving [either] professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, or professional full-contact karate, **including professional mixed martial arts**;

9 (3) "Boxing", the sport of attack and defense where contestants are allowed to only 10 use the fist to attack or strike in competition;

[(2)] (4) "Combative fighting", [also known as "toughman fighting", "toughwoman fighting", "badman fighting", "ultimate fighting", "U.F.C." and "extreme fighting", any boxing or wrestling match, contest or exhibition, between two or more contestants, with or without protective headgear, who use their hands, with or without gloves, or their feet, or both, and who compete for a financial prize or any item of pecuniary value, and which match, contest, tournament championship or exhibition is not recognized by and not sanctioned by any officially recognized state, regional or national boxing or athletic sanctioning authority, or any promoter duly licensed by the division of professional registration] a bout or contest, with or without gloves or protective headgear, whereby any part of the contestant's body may be used as a weapon or any other means of fighting may be used with the specific purpose of intentionally injuring the other contestants in such a manner that they may not defend themselves and in which there is no referee;

- [(3)] (5) "Contest", a bout or a group of bouts involving licensed contestants competing in professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, or professional full-contact karate;
- [(4)] (6) "Contestant", a person who competes in any [activity covered by sections 317.001 to 317.021] boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, or full-contact karate event;
 - [(5)] (7) "Division", the division of professional registration;
 - [(6)] (8) "Director", the director of the division of professional registration;
- (9) "Exhibition", a boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, or full-contact karate engagement in which persons are participating to show or display their boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, or full-contact karate skill and in which no decision is rendered;
 - [(7)] (10) "Fund", the athletic fund established pursuant to sections 317.001 to 317.021;
- [(8)] (11) "Mandatory count of eight", a required count of eight that is given by a referee to a **boxing** contestant who has been knocked down;
 - [(9)] (12) "Noncompetitive boxing", boxing or sparring where a decision is not rendered;
- [(10)] (13) "Full-contact karate", any form of full-contact martial arts including, but not limited to, full-contact kungfu, full-contact tae kwon do, or any form of martial arts, mixed martial arts, combat or self-defense conducted on a full-contact basis in a match where contestants are allowed to deliver blows or strikes;
- (14) "Kickboxing", any match in which contestants are allowed to use any form of boxing and are also allowed to use any part of the fist, foot, or leg, with or without shin guards or protective gear, or any combination thereof to deliver strikes above the waist and which does not constitute mixed martial arts as defined by this section;

- (15) "Mixed martial arts", any match in which any form of martial arts or self-defense is conducted on a full-contact basis and where other combative techniques or tactics are allowed in competition including, but not limited to, kicking, striking, chokeholds, boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, grappling, or joint manipulation. Professional mixed martial arts is a form of full-contact karate;
 - (16) "Office", the division of professional registration, office of athletics;
- [(11) "Professional boxing", the sport of attack and defense which uses the fist and where contestants compete for valuable consideration;
- (12) "Professional full-contact karate", any form of full-contact martial arts including but not limited to full-contact kungfu, full-contact taw kwon-do, or any form of martial arts or self-defense conducted on a full-contact basis in a bout or contest where weapons are not used and where contestants compete for valuable consideration. Such contests take place in a rope-enclosed ring and are fought in timed rounds;
- (13) "Professional kickboxing", any form of boxing in which blows are delivered with any part of the arm below the shoulder, including the hand, and any part of the leg below the hip, including the foot, and where contestants compete for valuable consideration. Such contests take place in a rope-enclosed ring and are fought in timed rounds;
- (14) "Professional wrestling", any performance of wrestling skills and techniques by two or more professional wrestlers, to which any admission is charged. Participating wrestlers may not be required to use their best efforts in order to win, the winner may have been selected before the performance commences and contestants compete for valuable consideration. Such contests take place in a rope-enclosed ring and are fought in timed rounds;
- (15)] (17) "Professional", a wrestling, boxing, kickboxing, or full-contact karate bout or contest where the participants compete for any valuable consideration or a person who competes in any wrestling, boxing, kickboxing, or full-contact karate bout or contest for any such consideration;
- (18) "Sparring", [boxing for practice or as an exhibition] any boxing, wrestling, kickboxing, or full-contact karate conducted for practice and for which admission or other similar consideration, in any form, is charged to any member of the public;
- [(16)] (19) "Standing mandatory eight count", the count of eight that is given at the discretion of a referee to a **boxing** contestant who has been dazed by a blow and is unable to defend himself or herself. The standing mandatory eight count may be waived in a bout only with special permission of the office;
- (20) "Wrestling", any performance of wrestling skills and techniques by two or more individuals. Participating wrestlers may perform without being required to use their best efforts in order to win and the winner may have been selected before the performance commences.

- 317.006. 1. The division [of professional registration] shall have general charge and supervision of all professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing and professional full-contact karate contests held in the state of Missouri, and it shall have the power, and it shall be its duty:
- 5 (1) To make and publish rules governing in every particular professional boxing, 6 sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing and professional full-contact karate 7 contests;

(2) To make and publish rules governing the approval of amateur sanctioning bodies;

- (3) To accept applications for and issue licenses to contestants in professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing and professional full-contact karate contests held in the state of Missouri, and referees, judges, matchmakers, managers, promoters, seconds, announcers, timekeepers and physicians involved in professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing and professional full-contact karate contests held in the state of Missouri, as authorized herein. Such licenses shall be issued in accordance with rules duly adopted by the division;
- [(3)] (4) To charge fees to be determined by the director and established by rule for every license issued and to assess a tax of five percent of the gross receipts of any person, organization, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or association holding a promoter's license and permit under sections 317.001 to 317.021, derived from admission charges connected with or as an incident to the holding of any professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing or professional full-contact karate contest in [this state] the state of Missouri. Such funds shall be paid to the division of professional registration which shall pay said funds into the Missouri state treasury to be set apart into a fund to be known as the "Athletic Fund" which is hereby established;
- [(4)] (5) To assess a tax of five percent of the gross receipts of any person, organization, corporation, partnership, limited liability company or association holding a promoter's license [and permit] under sections 317.001 to 317.021, derived from the sale, lease or other exploitation in this state of broadcasting, television, **pay-per-view**, closed-circuit telecast, and motion picture rights for any professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing or professional full-contact karate contest. Such funds shall be paid to the division [of professional registration] which shall pay said funds into the **Missouri** state treasury to be set apart into a fund to be known as the "Athletic Fund";
- [(5) To assess a tax of twenty-five percent of the gross receipts of any person, organization, corporation, partnership, limited liability company or association derived from the sale, lease or other exploitation in this state of broadcasting, television, closed-circuit telecast, and motion picture rights for any combative fighting contest. Such funds shall be paid to the

division of professional registration, which shall pay said funds into the state treasury to be set apart into a fund to be known as the athletic fund;

- (6) Each cable television system operator whose pay-per-view **or closed-circuit** facilities are utilized to telecast a bout or contest shall, within thirty calendar days following the date of the telecast, file a report with the office stating the number of orders sold and the price per order.
- 2. All fees established pursuant to sections 317.001 to 317.021 shall be determined by the director by rule in such amount as to produce sufficient revenue to fund the necessary expenses and operating costs incurred in the administration of the provisions of sections 317.001 to 317.021. All expenses shall be paid as otherwise provided by law.
- 317.011. 1. The division [of professional registration] shall have the power, and it shall be its duty, to accept application for and issue permits to hold professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing or professional full-contact karate contests in the state of Missouri, and to charge a fee for the issuance of same in an amount established by rule; such funds to be paid to the division [of professional registration] which shall pay such funds into the **Missouri** state treasury to be set apart into the athletic fund.
 - 2. The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the amount of the appropriation from the fund for the preceding fiscal year or, if the division requires by rule renewal less frequently than yearly then three times the appropriation from the fund for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the fund for the preceding fiscal year.
 - 3. The division [of professional registration] shall not grant any permit to hold professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing or professional full-contact karate contests in the state of Missouri except:
 - (1) Where such professional boxing, sparring, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing or professional full-contact karate contest is to be held under the auspices of a promoter duly licensed by the division;
 - [(2) Where such contest shall be of not more than fifteen rounds of three minutes each duration per bout;] and
 - [(3)] (2) Where a fee has been paid for such permit, in an amount established by rule.
 - 4. In such contests a decision shall be rendered by three judges licensed by the division.
- 5. Specifically exempted from the provisions of this chapter are contests or exhibitions for amateur boxing, amateur kickboxing, amateur wrestling and amateur full-contact karate. However, all amateur boxing, amateur kickboxing, amateur wrestling and amateur full-contact karate must be sanctioned by a nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body approved by the office.

- 317.013. 1. In order to protect the health and welfare of the contestants, there shall be a mandatory medical suspension of any contestant, not to exceed one hundred [twenty] eighty days, who loses consciousness or who has been injured as a result of blows received to the head or body during a [boxing bout or semiprofessional elimination contest] professional boxing, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, or professional full-contact karate contest. The determination of consciousness is to be made only by a physician licensed by the board of healing arts and the division. Medical suspensions issued in accordance with this section shall not be reviewable by any tribunal.
 - 2. No license shall be issued to any person who has been injured in such a manner that they may not continue **to participate in** boxing, **wrestling**, **kickboxing**, **or full-contact karate contests** in the future. Such a person shall be deemed medically retired. No person with a status of medically retired shall compete in any events governed by this chapter. Medical retirements issued in accordance with this section shall not be reviewable by any tribunal.
 - 317.015. 1. Any person wishing to make a complaint against a licensee under sections 317.001 to 317.014 shall file the written complaint with the division setting forth supporting details. If the division determines that the charges warrant a hearing to ascertain whether the licensee shall be disciplined, it shall file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided in chapter 621, RSMo. Any person holding more than one license issued by the division and disciplined under one license will automatically be disciplined under all licenses.
 - 2. (1) The division may refuse to issue any permit or license pursuant to this chapter for one or any combination of reasons stated in paragraphs (a) through (m) of subdivision (2) of this subsection. The division shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall advise the applicant of their rights to file a complaint or an appeal with the administrative hearing commission as provided in chapter 621, RSMo.
 - (2) The division may file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission, as provided in chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any permit or license issued pursuant to this chapter, or against any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered their permit or license, for any one or more of the following reasons:
 - (a) Use of an alcoholic beverage or any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, RSMo, before or during a bout;
 - (b) The person has been found guilty or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere in a criminal prosecution under any state or federal law for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated under this chapter, for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not a sentence is imposed;
- 23 (c) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any permit or 24 license issued pursuant to this chapter;

- 25 (d) Providing false information on applications or medical forms;
- (e) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty in the performing of the functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated by this chapter;
- 29 (f) Violating or enabling any person to violate any provision of this chapter or any rule 30 adopted pursuant to this chapter;
- 31 (g) Impersonating any permit or license holder or allowing any person to use their permit 32 or license;
 - (h) Contestants failing to put forth their best effort during a bout;
 - (i) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any profession regulated by this chapter and issued by another state, territory, federal agency or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;
 - (j) A person adjudged mentally incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction;
 - (k) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which is false, misleading or deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed;
 - (l) Use of foul or abusive language or mannerisms or threats of physical harm by any person associated with any bout or contest licensed pursuant to this chapter; or
 - (m) Issuance of a permit or license based upon a mistake of fact.
 - (3) After the complaint is filed, the proceeding shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. If the administrative hearing commission finds that a person has violated one or more of the grounds as provided in paragraphs (a) through (m) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, the division may censure or place the person named in the compliant on probation on appropriate terms and conditions for a period not to exceed five years, may suspend the person's license for a period not to exceed three years, or may revoke the person's license.
 - 3. Upon a finding that the grounds provided in subsection 2 of this section for disciplinary action are met, the office may, singly or in combination, censure or place on probation on such terms and conditions as the office deems appropriate for a period not to exceed five years, or may suspend for a period not to exceed three years or revoke the certificate, license, or permit. In any order of revocation, the office may provide that the person shall not apply for a new license for a maximum of three years and one day following the date of the order of revocation. All stay orders shall toll the disciplinary time periods allotted herein. In lieu of or in addition to any remedy specifically provided in subsection 1 of this section, the office may require of a licensee:
 - (1) Satisfactory completion of medical testing and/or rehabilitation programs as the office may specify; and/or

- 61 (2) A review conducted as the office may specify and satisfactory completion of 62 medical testing and/or rehabilitation programs as the office may specify.
 - 317.018. 1. Combative fighting is prohibited in the state of Missouri.
- 2 2. Anyone who promotes or participates in combative fighting, or anyone who serves as 3 an agent, principal partner, publicist, vendor, producer, referee, or contractor of or for combative 4 fighting is guilty of a class D felony.
- 5 3. Any medical personnel who administers to, treats or assists any participants of 6 combative fighting shall not be subject to the provisions of this section.
- [4. Nothing in section 317.001 or this section shall be construed to give authority to the Missouri state athletic commission to regulate boxing, sparring, wrestling or contact karate conducted by entities which are not regulated on July 10, 1996, including but not limited to events conducted by the:
- 11 (1) Military;
- 12 (2) Private schools;
- 13 (3) Church schools;
- 14 (4) Home schools;
- 15 (5) Martial arts academies;
- 16 (6) Private gyms;

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- 17 (7) YWCAs and YMCAs;
- 18 (8) Elementary and secondary schools;
- 19 (9) College and university inter- and intra-mural;
- 20 (10) Fraternal organizations;
- 21 (11) Camps, conducted by church or not for profit organizations;
- 22 (12) Olympic committees; or
- 23 (13) Correctional facilities.]
 - 5. Nothing in section 317.001 or this section is intended to regulate, or interfere with or make illegal, traditional, sanctioned **amateur or scholastic** boxing, [including professional,] amateur[,] **or** scholastic[, championship boxing, amateur] wrestling [or scholastic wrestling] **amateur or scholastic kickboxing, or amateur or scholastic full-contact karate or amateur or scholastic mixed martial arts**.
 - 317.019. 1. The promoter of a professional boxing, professional kickboxing, and professional full-contact karate contest shall sign written bout contracts with each professional contestant. Original bout contracts shall be filed with the division prior to the event as required by the rules of the office. The bout contract shall be on a form supplied by the division and contain at least the following:
 - (1) The weight required of the contestant at weigh-in;
- 7 (2) The amount of the purse to be paid for the contest;

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- 8 (3) The date and location of the contest;
- 9 (4) The glove size allotted for each contestant;
- 10 (5) Any other payment or consideration provided to the contestant;
- 11 (6) List of all fees, charges, and expenses including training expenses that will be 12 assessed to the contestant or deducted from the contestant's purse;
 - (7) Any advances paid to the contestant before the bout;
- 14 **(8)** The amount of any compensation or consideration that a promoter has contracted to receive in connection with the bout or contest;
 - (9) The signature of the promoter and contestant;
- 17 (10) The date signed by both the promoter and the contestant; and
- 18 **(11)** Any information required by the office.
 - 2. If the bout contract between a contestant and promoter is changed, the promoter shall provide the division with the amended contract containing all contract changes at least two hours prior to the event's scheduled start time. The amended contract shall comply with all requirements for original bout contracts and shall contain the signature of the promoter and contestant.
 - 3. A promoter of an event shall not be a manager for a contestant who is contracted for ten rounds or more at the event.
 - 4. The promoter of an event shall provide payments for the event official's fees to the office prior to the start of the event. The form of payment shall be at the discretion of the office provided that payments remitted by check or money order shall be made payable directly to the applicable official.
 - 324.520. 1. As used in sections 324.520 to 324.524, the following terms mean:
- 2 (1) "Body piercing", the perforation of human tissue other than an ear for a nonmedical purpose;
- 4 (2) "Branding", a permanent mark made on human tissue by burning with a hot iron or other instrument;
 - (3) "Controlled substance", any substance defined in section 195.010, RSMo;
 - (4) "Minor", a person under the age of eighteen;
 - (5) "Tattoo", one or more of the following:
- 9 (a) An indelible mark made on the body of another person by the insertion of a pigment 10 under the skin; or
- 11 (b) An indelible design made on the body of another person by production of scars other 12 than by branding.
- 2. No person shall knowingly tattoo, brand or perform body piercing on a minor unless such person obtains the prior written informed consent of the minor's parent or legal guardian.
- 15 The minor's parent or legal guardian shall execute the written informed consent required pursuant

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to this subsection in the presence of the person performing the tattooing, branding or body piercing on the minor, or in the presence of an employee or agent of such person. Any person who fraudulently misrepresents himself or herself as a parent is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

- 3. A person shall not tattoo, brand or perform body piercing on another person if the other person is under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance.
- 4. A person who violates [this section] **any provisions of sections 324.520 to 324.526** is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars. If there is a subsequent violation [of this section] within one year of the initial violation, such person shall be fined not less than five hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars.
- 5. No person under the age of eighteen shall tattoo, brand or perform body piercing on another person.
 - 324.522. 1. No practitioner of tattooing, body piercing or branding shall practice and no establishment in which tattoos, body piercing or brandings are applied shall be operated without a license issued by the director of the division of professional registration. The license fee for each practitioner and each establishment shall be established by rule.
 - 2. The director of the division of professional registration shall promulgate rules and regulations relative to the hygienic practice of tattooing, body piercing and branding, [and] the sanitary operations of tattoo, body piercing and branding establishments, and the educational and training requirements for applicants applying to receive and practitioners desiring to maintain a license to practice any profession that is licensed or regulated under sections 324.520 to 324.526. Such rules and regulations shall include:
- 11 (1) Standards of hygiene to be met and maintained by establishments and practitioners 12 in order to receive and maintain a license for the practice of tattooing, body piercing and 13 branding;
 - (2) Procedures to be used to grant, revoke or reinstate a license;
 - (3) Inspection of tattoo, body piercing and branding establishments; and
 - (4) Any other matter necessary to the administration of this section.
- 3. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in sections 324.520 to [324.524] **324.526** shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently
- held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2001, shall be invalid and void.
 - 324.523. 1. The division may refuse to issue or cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any

- holder of any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required under sections 324.520 to 324.526, or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered his or her certificate of registration or authority, permit, or license for any one or any combination of the following causes:
- 7 (1) Use or illegal possession of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, 8 RSMo, or use of any alcoholic beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to perform the work of any profession that is licensed or regulated under sections 324.520 to 324.526;
 - (2) Final adjudication and finding of guilt, or the entrance of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of any profession that is licensed or regulated under sections 324.520 to 324.526, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty, or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;
 - (3) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation, or bribery in securing any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required under sections 324.520 to 324.526;
 - (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition, or other compensation by fraud, deception, or misrepresentation;
 - (5) Incompetence, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation, or dishonesty in the performance of the functions or duties of any profession that is licensed or regulated under sections 324.520 to 324.526;
 - (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 324.520 to 324.526, or any lawful rule or regulation adopted under sections 324.520 to 324.526;
 - (7) Impersonation of any person holding a certificate of registration or authority, permit, or license, or allowing any person to use his or her certificate of registration or authority, license, permit, or diploma from any school;
 - (8) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any profession regulated under sections 324.520 to 324.526, granted by another state, territory, federal agency, or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;
- (9) Final adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction that a person is insane or incompetent;
- 37 (10) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any profession 38 licensed or regulated under sections 324.520 to 324.526, who is licensed and is currently 39 ineligible to practice under sections 324.520 to 324.526;

- 40 (11) Causing the division to issue a certificate of registration or authority, permit, 41 or license based upon a material mistake of fact;
 - (12) Failure to display a valid license;
 - (13) Violation of any advertisement or solicitation that is false, misleading, or deceptive to the general public, or persons to whom the advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed;
 - (14) Failure or refusal to properly guard against contagious, infectious, or communicable diseases and the spread thereof.
 - 2. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that grounds, provided in subsection 1 of this section, for disciplinary action are met, the division may, singly, or in combination, censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on such terms and conditions as the division deems appropriate for a period not to exceed five years, or may suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, or revoke the license, certificate, or permit.
 - 3. The division, acting upon its own knowledge or written or verified complaint filed by any person, may discipline a person as provided in subsections 1 or 2 of this section or the division may bring an action to enjoin any person, establishment, firm, or corporation from engaging in an occupation regulated by the provisions of sections 324.520 to 324.526, if such person, firm, or corporation without being licensed to do so by the division, engages in or practices an occupation licensed under sections 324.520 to 324.526. The action shall be brought in the county in which such person resides, or, in the case of an establishment, firm, or corporation, where the establishment, firm, or corporation maintains its principal office; and unless it appears that such person, establishment, firm, or corporation so engaging or practicing such occupation is licensed, the injunction shall be issued, and such person, firm, or corporation shall be perpetually enjoined from engaging in such activities throughout the state.

324.1100. As used in sections 324.1100 to 324.1148, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Board", the board of private investigator examiners established in section 3 324.1102;
 - (2) "Client", any person who engages the services of a private investigator;
- 5 (3) "Department", the department of insurance, financial institutions and 6 professional registration;
- 7 (4) "Law enforcement officer", a law enforcement officer as defined in section 8 556.061, RSMo;
- 9 (5) "Organization", a corporation, trust, estate, partnership, cooperative, or 10 association;

- 11 (6) "Person", an individual or organization;
- 12 (7) "Private investigator", any person who receives any consideration, either 13 directly or indirectly, for engaging in the private investigator business;
- 14 (8) "Private investigator agency", a person who regularly employs any other 15 person, other than an organization, to engage in the private investigator business;
 - (9) "Private investigator business", the furnishing of, making of, or agreeing to make, any investigation for the purpose of obtaining information pertaining to:
 - (a) Crimes or wrongs done or threatened against the United States or any state or territory of the United States;
- **(b)** The identity, habits, conduct, business, occupation, honesty, integrity, 21 credibility, knowledge, trustworthiness, efficiency, loyalty, activity, movement, 22 whereabouts, affiliations, associations, transactions, acts, reputation, or character of any 23 person;
 - (c) The location, disposition, or recovery of lost or stolen property;
- 25 (d) Securing evidence to be used before any court, board, officer, or investigating committee:
 - (e) Sale of personal identification information to the public; or
 - (f) The cause of responsibility for libel, losses, accident, or damage or injury to persons or property or protection of life or property.
 - 324.1102. 1. The "Board of Private Investigator Examiners" is hereby created within the division of professional registration. The board shall be a body corporate and may sue and be sued.
 - 2. The board shall be composed of five members, including two public members, appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Except for the public members, each member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States, a resident of Missouri, at least thirty years of age, and shall have been actively engaged in the private investigator business for the previous five years. No more than one private investigator board member may be employed by, or affiliated with, the same private investigator agency. The initial private investigator board members shall not be required to be licensed but shall obtain a license within one hundred eighty days after the effective date of the rules promulgated under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 regarding licensure. The public members shall each be a registered voter and a person who is not and never was a member of any profession licensed or regulated under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 or the spouse of such person; and a person who does not have and never has had a material, financial interest in either the providing of the professional services regulated by sections 324.1100 to 324.1148, or an activity or organization directly related to any profession licensed or regulated under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148. The duties of the public members shall not

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include the determination of the technical requirements to be met for licensure or whether 20 any person meets such technical requirements or of the technical competence or technical 21 judgment of a licensee or a candidate for licensure.

- 3. The members shall be appointed for terms of two years, except those first appointed, in which case two members, who shall be private investigators, shall be appointed for terms of four years, two members shall be appointed for terms of three years, and one member shall be appointed for a one-year term. Any vacancy on the board shall be filled for the unexpired term of the member and in the manner as the first appointment. No member may serve consecutive terms.
- 4. The members of the board may receive compensation, as determined by the director for their services, if appropriate, and shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in performing their official duties on the board.
- 5. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Board of Private Investigator Examiners Fund", which shall consist of money collected under sections 324.1100 to The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund and shall approve 34 disbursements from the fund in accordance with the provisions of sections 30.170 and 30.180, RSMo. Upon appropriation, money in the fund shall be used solely for the administration of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148. The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the amount of the appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year or, if the board requires by rule permit renewal less frequently than yearly, then three times the appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year.

324.1104. Unless expressly exempted from the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148: 2

- 3 (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the private investigator business in this state unless such person is licensed as a private investigator under sections 324.1100 5 to 324.1148;
- 6 (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in business in this state as a private investigator agency unless such person is licensed under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148.
- 324.1106. The following persons shall not be deemed to be engaging in the private investigator business:

- 3 (1) A person employed exclusively and regularly by one employer in connection 4 only with the affairs of such employer and where there exists an employer-employee 5 relationship;
 - (2) Any officer or employee of the United States, or of this state or a political subdivision thereof while engaged in the performance of the officer's or employee's official duties:
 - (3) Any employee, agent, or independent contractor employed by any government agency, division, or department of the state whose work relationship is established by a written contract while working within the scope of employment established under such contract;
 - (4) An attorney performing duties as an attorney, or an attorney's paralegal or employee retained by such attorney assisting in the performance of such duties or investigation on behalf of such attorney;
 - (5) A collection agency or an employee thereof while acting within the scope of employment, while making an investigation incidental to the business of the agency, including an investigation of the location of a debtor or a debtor's property where the contract with an assignor creditor is for the collection of claims owed or due, or asserted to be owed or due, or the equivalent thereof;
 - (6) Insurers and insurance producers licensed by the state, performing duties in connection with insurance transacted by them;
 - (7) Any bank subject to the jurisdiction of the director of the division of finance of the state of Missouri or the comptroller of currency of the United States;
 - (8) An insurance adjuster. For the purposes of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148, an "insurance adjuster" means any person who receives any consideration, either directly or indirectly, for adjusting in the disposal of any claim under or in connection with a policy of insurance or engaging in soliciting insurance adjustment business;
 - (9) Any private fire investigator whose primary purpose of employment is the determination of the origin, nature, cause, or calculation of losses relevant to a fire;
 - (10) Employees of a not-for-profit organization or its affiliate or subsidiary, whether for-profit or not-for-profit, whose investigatory activities are limited to making and processing requests for criminal history records and other background information from state, federal, or local databases, including requests for employee background check information under section 660.317, RSMo;
 - (11) Any real estate broker, real estate salesperson, or real estate appraiser acting within the scope of his or her license;
 - (12) Expert witnesses who have been certified or accredited by a national or state association associated with the expert's scope of expertise;

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- 40 (13) Any person who does not hold themselves out to the public as a private investigator but is under contract with a state agency or political subdivision;
- 42 (14) Any person performing duties or conducting investigations relating to serving 43 legal process when such person's investigation is incidental to the serving of legal process; 44 or
- 45 (15) A consumer reporting agency is defined in 15 U.S.C. Section 1681(a) and its 46 contract and salaried employees.
- 324.1108. 1. Every person desiring to be licensed in this state as a private investigator or private investigator agency shall make application therefor to the board of private investigator examiners. An application for a license under the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 shall be on a form prescribed by the board of private investigator examiners and accompanied by the required application fee. An application shall be verified and shall include:
 - (1) The full name and business address of the applicant;
- 8 (2) The name under which the applicant intends to conduct business;
- 9 (3) A statement as to the general nature of the business in which the applicant 10 intends to engage;
- 11 (4) A statement as to the classification or classifications under which the applicant desires to be qualified;
 - (5) Two recent photographs of the applicant, of a type prescribed by the board of private investigator examiners, and two classifiable sets of the applicant's fingerprints processed in a manner approved by the Missouri state highway patrol, criminal records and identification division, under section 43.543, RSMo;
 - (6) A verified statement of the applicant's experience qualifications; and
 - (7) Such other information, evidence, statements, or documents as may be required by the board of private investigator examiners.
 - 2. Before an application for a license may be granted, the applicant shall:
- 21 (1) Be at least twenty-one years of age;
- 22 (2) Be a citizen of the United States;
 - (3) Provide proof of liability insurance with amount to be no less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars in coverage and proof of workers' compensation insurance if required under chapter 287, RSMo. The board shall have the authority to raise the requirements as deemed necessary; and
- 27 (4) Comply with such other qualifications as the board adopts by rules and 28 regulations.

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- 324.1110. 1. The board of private investigator examiners shall require as a condition of licensure as a private investigator that the applicant pass a written examination as evidence of knowledge of investigator rules and regulations.
 - 2. The department shall conduct a complete investigation of the background of each applicant for licensure as a private investigator to determine whether the applicant is qualified for licensure under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148. The board will outline basic qualification requirements for licensing as a private investigator and agency.
 - 3. In the event requirements have been met so that testing has been waived, qualification shall be dependent on a showing of, for the two previous years:
 - (1) Registration and good standing as a business in this state; and
 - (2) Two hundred fifty thousand dollars in business general liability insurance.
- 4. The board may review applicants seeking reciprocity. An applicant seeking reciprocity shall have undergone a licensing procedure similar to that required by this state and shall meet this state's minimum insurance requirements.
- 324.1112. The board of private investigator examiners may deny a request for a license if the applicant:
- 3 (1) Has committed any act which, if committed by a licensee, would be grounds for 4 the suspension or revocation of a license under the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 5 324.1148;
 - (2) Within two years prior to the application date:
 - (a) Has been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a felony offense, including the receiving of a suspended imposition of sentence following a plea or finding of guilty to a felony offense;
 - (b) Has been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a misdemeanor offense involving moral turpitude;
- 12 (c) Has falsified or willfully misrepresented information in an employment 13 application, records of evidence, or in testimony under oath;
 - (d) Has been dependent on or abused alcohol or drugs; or
 - (e) Has used, possessed, or trafficked in any illegal substance;
- 16 (3) Has been refused a license under the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 17 or had a license revoked in this state or in any other state;
- 18 (4) While unlicensed, committed or aided and abetted the commission of any act 19 for which a license is required by sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 after the effective date of 20 this section; or
 - (5) Knowingly made any false statement in the application.
 - 324.1114. 1. Every application submitted under the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 shall be accompanied by a fee as determined by the board as follows:

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- 3 (1) For an individual license, agency license and employees being licensed to work 4 under an agency license; or
- 5 (2) If a license is issued for a period of less than one year, the fee shall be prorated 6 for the months, or fraction thereof, for which the license is issued.
 - 2. The board shall set fees as authorized by sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 at a level to produce revenue which will not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering sections 324.1100 to 324.1148.
 - 3. The fees prescribed by sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 shall be exclusive and notwithstanding any other provision of law. No municipality may require any person licensed under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 to furnish any bond, pass any examination, or pay any license fee or occupational tax relative to practicing the person's profession.
 - 4. A private investigator license shall allow only the individual licensed by the state to conduct investigations. An agency license shall be applied for separately and held by an individual who is licensed as a private investigator. The agency may hire individuals to work for the agency conducting investigations for the agency only. Persons hired shall make application as determined by the board and meet all requirements set forth by the board except that they shall not be required to meet any experience requirements and shall be allowed to begin working immediately upon the agency submitting their applications.
- 324.1116. A private investigator agency shall not hire any individual as an 2 employee unless the individual:
 - (1) Is at least twenty-one years of age;
- 4 (2) Provides two recent photographs of themselves, of a type prescribed by the 5 board of private investigator examiners;
 - (3) Has been fingerprinted in a manner approved by the Missouri state highway patrol, criminal records and identification division, under section 43.543, RSMo; and
- 8 (4) Complies with any other qualifications and requirements the board adopts by 9 rule.
 - 324.1118. A private investigator agency shall not hire an individual, who is not licensed as a private investigator, as an employee if the individual:
- 3 (1) Has committed any act which, if committed by a licensee, would be grounds for 4 the suspension or revocation of a license under the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 5 324.1148;
 - (2) Within two years prior to the hiring date:
- 7 (a) Has been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a felony 8 offense, including the receiving of a suspended imposition of sentence following a plea or 9 finding of guilty to a felony offense;

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- 10 **(b)** Has been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a 11 misdemeanor offense involving moral turpitude;
- 12 (c) Has falsified or willfully misrepresented information in an employment 13 application, records of evidence, or in testimony under oath;
 - (d) Has been dependent on or abused alcohol or drugs; or
- 15 (e) Has used, possessed, or trafficked in any illegal substance;
- 16 (3) Has been refused a license under the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 17 or had a license revoked in this state or in any other state;
- 18 (4) While unlicensed, committed or aided and abetted the commission of any act 19 for which a license is required by sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 after the effective date of 20 this section; or
- 21 (5) Knowingly made any false statement in the application.
- 324.1120. An individual, who is not licensed as a private investigator, hired as an employee by a private investigator agency shall work only under the direct supervision of the agency whose identification number appears on their application and shall work only for one agency at any one time.
 - 324.1122. A licensee shall successfully complete sixteen hours of continuing education units biennially. An individual not licensed as a private investigator who is hired as an employee by a private investigator agency shall successfully complete eight hours of continuing education units biennially. Such continuing education shall be relevant to the private investigator business and shall be approved by the board as such.
 - 324.1124. 1. The board of private investigator examiners shall determine the form of the license which shall include the:
 - (1) Name of the licensee;
 - (2) Name under which the licensee is to operate; and
 - (3) Number and date of the license.

the licensee maintains a permanent office.

6 2. The license shall be posted at all times in a conspicuous place in the principal 7 place of business of the licensee. Upon the issuance of a license, a pocket card of such size, 8 design, and content as determined by the division shall be issued without charge to each licensee. Such card shall be evidence that the licensee is licensed under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148. When any person to whom a card is issued terminates such person's position, 10 office, or association with the licensee, the card shall be surrendered to the licensee and 11 within five days thereafter shall be mailed or delivered by the licensee to the board of 12 13 private investigator examiners for cancellation. Within thirty days after any change of address, a licensee shall notify the board of the address change. The principal place of business may be at a residence or at a business address, but it shall be the place at which 15

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324.1126. 1. Any license issued under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 shall expire two years after the date of its issuance. Renewal of any such license shall be made in the manner prescribed for obtaining an original license, including payment of the appropriate fee, except that:

- (1) The application upon renewal need only provide information required of original applicants if the information shown on the original application or any renewal thereof on file with the board is no longer accurate;
- (2) A new photograph shall be submitted with the application for renewal only if the photograph on file with the board has been on file more than two years; and
- 10 (3) The applicant does not have to be tested again but must instead provide proof 11 that the applicant successfully completed sixteen hours of continuing education credits; 12 and
 - (4) Additional information may be required by rules and regulations adopted by the board of private investigator examiners.
 - 2. A licensee shall at all times be legally responsible for the good conduct of each of the licensee's employees or agents while engaged in the business of the licensee and the licensee is legally responsible for any acts committed by such licensee's employees or agents which are in violation of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148. A person receiving an agency license shall directly manage the agency and employees.
 - 3. A license issued under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 shall not be assignable.
 - 324.1128. 1. Any licensee may divulge to the board, any law enforcement officer, prosecuting attorney, or such person's representative any information such person may acquire about any criminal offense. The licensee may instruct his or her client to divulge such information if the client is the victim, but such person shall not divulge to any other person, except as he or she may be required by law, any information acquired by such person at the direction of the employer or client for whom the information was obtained.
 - 2. No licensee officer, director, partner, associate, or employee thereof shall:
 - (1) Knowingly make any false report to his or her employer or client for whom information was being obtained;
 - (2) Cause any written report to be submitted to a client except by the licensee, and the person submitting the report shall exercise diligence in ascertaining whether or not the facts and information in such report are true and correct;
 - (3) Use a title, wear a uniform, use an insignia or an identification card, or make any statement with the intent to give an impression that such person is connected in any way with the federal government, a state government, or any political subdivision of a state government;

- 17 (4) Appear as an assignee party in any proceeding involving claim and delivery, 18 replevin or other possessory action, action to foreclose a chattel mortgage, mechanic's lien, 19 materialman's lien, or any other lien;
 - (5) Manufacture false evidence; or
- 21 (6) Create any video recording of an individual in their domicile without the 22 individual's permission. Furthermore, if such video recording is made, it shall not be 23 admissible as evidence in any civil proceeding.

324.1130. Each licensee shall maintain a record containing such information relative to the licensee's employees as may be prescribed by the board of private investigator examiners. Such licensee shall file with the board the complete address of the location of the licensee's principal place of business. The board may require the filing of other information for the purpose of identifying such principal place of business.

324.1132. Every advertisement by a licensee soliciting or advertising business shall contain the licensee's name, city, and state as it appears in the records of the board of private investigator examiners. No individual or business can advertise as a private investigator, private detective, or private investigator agency without including their state 5 private investigator or private investigator agency license number in the advertisement. A licensee shall not advertise or conduct business from any Missouri address other than that shown on the records of the board as the licensee's principal place of business unless 8 the licensee has received an additional agency license for such location after compliance with the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 and such additional requirements necessary for the protection of the public as the board may prescribe by regulation. A 10 11 licensee shall notify the board in writing within ten days after closing or changing the 12 location of a branch office. The fee for the additional license shall be one-half the cost of 13 the fee for the agency's original license.

324.1134. 1. The board may suspend or refuse to renew any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required under sections 324,1100 to 324,1148 3 for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The board shall 4 notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the suspension or refusal and shall advise the applicant of the applicant's right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo. As an alternative to a refusal to issue or renew any certificate, registration or authority, the board may, at its discretion, issue a 7 license which is subject to probation, restriction or limitation to an applicant for licensure 8 for any one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The board's 10 order of probation, limitation or restriction shall contain a statement of the discipline imposed, the basis therefor, the date such action shall become effective, and a statement 11 12 that the applicant has thirty days to request in writing a hearing before the administrative

- hearing commission. If the board issues a probationary, limited or restricted license to an applicant for licensure, either party may file a written petition with the administrative hearing commission within thirty days of the effective date of the probationary, limited or restricted license seeking review of the board's determination. If no written request for a hearing is received by the administrative hearing commission within the thirty-day period, the right to seek review of the board's decision shall be considered as waived.
 - 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required by this chapter or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered the person's certificate of registration or authority, permit or license for any one or any combination of the following causes:
 - (1) Making any false statement or given any false information in connection with an application for a license or a renewal or reinstatement thereof;
 - (2) Violating any provision of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148;
 - (3) Violating any rule of the board of private investigator examiners adopted under the authority contained in sections 324.1100 to 324.1148;
 - (4) Impersonating, or permitting or aiding and abetting an employee to impersonate, a law enforcement officer or employee of the United States of America, or of any state or political subdivision thereof;
 - (5) Committing, or permitting any employee to commit any act, while the license was expired, which would be cause for the suspension or revocation of a license, or grounds for the denial of an application for a license;
 - (6) Knowingly violating, or advising, encouraging, or assisting the violation of, any court order or injunction in the course of business as a licensee;
 - (7) Using any letterhead, advertisement, or other printed matter, or in any manner whatever represented that such person is an instrumentality of the federal government, a state, or any political subdivision thereof;
 - (8) Using a name different from that under which such person is currently licensed in any advertisement, solicitation, or contract for business; or
 - (9) Committing any act which is grounds for denial of an application for a license under section 324.1112.
 - 3. The record of conviction, or a certified copy thereof, shall be conclusive evidence of such conviction, and a plea or verdict of guilty is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning thereof.
- **4.** The agency may continue under the direction of another employee if the licensee's license is suspended or revoked by the board. The board shall establish a time

frame in which the agency shall identify an acceptable person who is qualified to assume control of the agency, as required by the board.

5. After the filing of a complaint before the administrative hearing commission, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that the grounds in subsection 1 of this section for disciplinary action are met, the board may singly or in combination censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation under such terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate for a period not to exceed five years, may suspend for a period not to exceed three years, or revoke the license.

324.1136. 1. Each private investigator or investigator agency operating under the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 shall be required to keep a complete record of the business transactions of such investigator or investigator agency for a period of seven years. Upon the service of a court order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction or upon the service of a subpoena issued by the board that is based on a complaint supported by oath or affirmation, which particularly describes the records and reports, any licensed private investigator who is the owner, partner, director, corporate officer, or custodian of business records shall provide an opportunity for the inspection of the same and to inspect reports made. Any information obtained by the board shall be kept confidential, except as may be necessary to commence and prosecute any legal proceedings. The board shall not personally enter a licensee's place of business to inspect records, but shall utilize an employee of the division of professional registration to act as a gatherer of information and facts to present to the board regarding any complaint or inspection under investigation.

2. For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148, and in making investigations relating to any violation thereof, the board shall have the power to subpoena and bring before the board any person in this state and require the production of any books, records, or papers which the board deems relevant to the inquiry. The board also may administer an oath to and take the testimony of any person, or cause such person's deposition to be taken, except that any applicant or licensee or officer, director, partner, or associate thereof shall not be entitled to any fees or mileage. A subpoena issued under this section shall be governed by the Missouri rules of civil procedure and shall comply with any confidentiality standards or legal limitations imposed by privacy or open records acts, fair credit reporting acts, polygraph acts, driver privacy protection acts, judicially recognized privileged communications, and the bill of rights of both the United States and Missouri Constitutions. Any person duly subpoenaed who fails to obey such subpoena without reasonable cause, or without such cause refuses to be examined or to answer any legal or pertinent question as to the character or qualification of such applicant or licensee or such applicant's alleged unlawful or deceptive practices or methods, shall be

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guilty of a class A misdemeanor. The testimony of witnesses in any investigative 30 proceeding shall be under oath.

324.1138. 1. The board shall adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148.

- 2. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, 4 that is created under the authority delegated in sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, 6 RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly under chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2007, shall be invalid and void.
 - 324.1140. 1. The board of private investigator examiners shall certify persons who are qualified to train private investigators.
 - 2. In order to be certified as a trainer under this section, a trainer shall:
 - (1) Be twenty-one or more years of age;
- 5 (2) Have a minimum of one-year supervisory experience with a private investigator agency; and 6
 - (3) Be personally licensed as a private investigator under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 and qualified to train private investigators.
 - 3. Persons wishing to become certified trainers shall make application to the board of private investigator examiners on a form prescribed by the board and accompanied by a fee determined by the board. The application shall contain a statement of the plan of operation of the training offered by the applicant and the materials and aids to be used and any other information required by the board.
 - 4. A certificate shall be granted to a trainer if the board finds that the applicant:
 - (1) Meets the requirements of subsection 2 of this section;
- 16 (2) Has sufficient knowledge of private investigator business in order to train 17 private investigators sufficiently;
 - (3) Has supplied all required information to the board; and
- 19 (4) Has paid the required fee.
- 20 5. The certificate issued under this section shall expire on the third year after the year in which it is issued and shall be renewable triennially upon application and payment 21 of a fee. 22
 - 324.1142. Any person who knowingly falsifies the fingerprints or photographs or other information required to be submitted under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 is guilty

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- of a class D felony; and any person who violates any of the other provisions of sections 4 324.1100 to 324.1148 is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
- 324.1144. The board may negotiate and enter into reciprocal agreements with appropriate officials in other states to permit licensed private investigator agencies and licensed private investigators who meet or exceed the qualifications established in sections
- 4 324.1100 to 324.1148 to operate across state lines under mutually acceptable terms.
 - 324.1146. Law enforcement officers who perform private investigations shall be licensed under this chapter subject to the following qualifications and limitations:
- 3 (1) The board may waive testing for law enforcement officers currently certified 4 under existing peace officer standards and training requirements under chapter 590, 5 RSMo;
 - (2) Law enforcement officers shall pay the appropriate licensing fees;
 - (3) Law enforcement officers shall assume individual liability for their actions while performing private investigations, complying with any insurance or bonding requirements imposed under sections 324.1100 to 324.1148;
- 10 (4) Law enforcement officers shall not utilize their official capacity in the course 11 of a private investigation, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Accessing information intended only for police officials. Law enforcement officers shall comply with the legal limits on access to the information of private citizens;
 - (b) Utilizing any official item, such as a uniform, badge, or vehicle, while performing a private investigation. Law enforcement officers shall provide their own equipment;
 - (c) Utilizing law enforcement officer arrest and use of force standards. Law enforcement officers shall use private citizen arrest and use of force standards while operating as a private investigator;
 - (5) Law enforcement officers shall produce evidence of training and experience concerning the legal limits imposed on private investigations or pass a test on such subject produced by the board; and
- 23 (6) The provisions of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 shall not apply to law enforcement officers who provide only private security services and not private investigator services.
 - 324.1148. Any person who violates sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. Any second or subsequent violation of sections 324.1100 to 324.1148 is a class D felony.
- 327.011. As used in this chapter, the following words and terms shall have the meanings indicated:

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- 3 (1) "Accredited degree program from a school of architecture", a degree from any school 4 or other institution which teaches architecture and whose curricula for the degree in question 5 have been, at the time in question, certified as accredited by the National Architectural 6 Accrediting Board;
- 7 (2) "Accredited school of landscape architecture", any school or other institution which 8 teaches landscape architecture and whose curricula on the subjects in question are or have been 9 at the times in question certified as accredited by the Landscape Architecture Accreditation 10 Board of the American Society of Landscape Architects;
 - (3) "Accredited school of engineering", any school or other institution which teaches engineering and whose curricula on the subjects in question are or have been, at the time in question certified as accredited by the engineering accreditation commission of the accreditation board for engineering and technology or its successor organization;
 - (4) "Architect", any person authorized pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to practice architecture in Missouri, as the practice of architecture is defined in section 327.091;
 - (5) "Board", the Missouri board for architects, professional engineers, professional land surveyors and landscape architects;
- 19 (6) "Corporation", any general business corporation, professional corporation or limited 20 liability company;
 - (7) ["Department", the department of economic development;
- 22 (8) "Division", the division of professional registration in the department of economic development;
 - (9)] "Landscape architect", any person licensed pursuant to the provisions of sections 327.600 to 327.635 who is qualified to practice landscape architecture by reason of special knowledge and the use of biological, physical, mathematical and social sciences and the principles and methods of analysis and design of the land, has demonstrated knowledge and ability in such areas, and has been duly licensed as a landscape architect by the board on the basis of professional education, examination and experience in landscape architecture;
 - (8) "Licensee", a person licensed to practice any profession regulated under this chapter or a corporation authorized to practice any such profession;
 - [(10)] (9) "Partnership", any partnership or limited liability partnership;
- [(11)] (10) "Person", any person, corporation, firm, partnership, association or other entity;
- [(12)] (11) "Professional engineer", any person authorized pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to practice as a professional engineer in Missouri, as the practice of engineering is defined in section 327.181;

- [(13)] (12) "Professional land surveyor", any person authorized pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to practice as a professional land surveyor in Missouri as the practice of land surveying is defined in section 327.272.
 - 327.076. 1. Any person who practices architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture, as defined in sections 327.011 to 327.635, or who holds himself or herself out as able to practice such profession and who is not the holder of a currently valid license or certificate of authority in Missouri, and who is not exempt from holding such a license or certificate, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. As used in this section "practice" shall not include the rendering of opinions or giving of testimony in a civil or criminal proceeding by a licensed professional.
- 8 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing 9 commission, as provided in chapter 621, RSMo, against any unlicensed person who:
 - (1) Engages in or offers to render or engage in the practice of architecture, professional engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture;
 - (2) Uses or employs titles defined and protected by this chapter, or implies authorization to provide or offer professional services, or otherwise uses or advertises any title, word, figure, sign, card, advertisement, or other symbol or description tending to convey the impression that the person is licensed or holds a certificate of authority to practice architecture, professional engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture;
 - (3) Presents or attempts to use another person's license, seal, or certificate of authority as his or her own;
 - (4) Attempts to use an expired, suspended, revoked, or nonexistent license or certificate of authority;
 - (5) Affixes his or her or another architect's, engineer's, land surveyor's, or landscape architect's seal on any plans, drawings, specifications or reports which have not been prepared by such person or under such person's immediate personal supervision care;
 - (6) Gives false or forged evidence of any kind to the board or any member of the board in obtaining or attempting to obtain a certificate of licensure in this state or any other state or jurisdiction;
- 28 (7) Knowingly aids or abets an unlicensed or unauthorized person who engages in any prohibited activity identified in this subsection;
 - (8) Violates any provision of the code of professional conduct or other rule adopted by the board; or
 - (9) Violates any provision of subsection 2 of section 327.441.
- **3.** When reviewing complaints against unlicensed persons, the board may initiate an investigation and take all measures necessary to find the facts of any potential violation,

including issuing subpoenas to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the disclosure of evidence, and may request the attorney general to bring an action to enforce the subpoena.

- 4. If the board files a complaint with the administrative hearing commission, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that the grounds provided in subsection 2 of this section for disciplinary action are met, the board may, either singularly or in combination with other provisions of this chapter, impose a civil penalty as provided for in section 327.077 against the person named in the complaint.
- 327.077. 1. In disciplinary actions against licensed or unlicensed persons, the board may issue an order imposing a civil penalty. Such penalty shall not be imposed until the findings of fact and conclusions of law by the administrative hearing commission have been delivered to the board in accordance with section 621.110, RSMo. Further, no civil penalty shall commence until a formal meeting and vote by the board has been taken to impose such a penalty.
- 2. A civil penalty imposed under this section shall not exceed five thousand dollars for each offense. Each day of a continued violation constitutes a separate offense, with a maximum penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars. In determining the amount of penalty to be imposed, the board may consider any of the following:
 - (1) Whether the amount imposed will be a substantial deterrent to the violation;
- 12 (2) The circumstances leading to the violation;
- 13 (3) The severity of the violation and the risk of harm to the public;
- 14 (4) The economic benefits gained by the violator as a result of noncompliance;
- **(5)** The interest of the public.
 - 3. Any final order imposing a civil penalty is subject to judicial review upon the filing of a petition under section 536.100, RSMo, by any person subject to the penalty.
 - 4. Payment of a civil penalty shall be made within sixty days of filing the order, or if the order is stayed pending an appeal within ten days after the court enters a final judgment in favor of the board. If the penalty is not timely paid, the board shall notify the attorney general. The attorney general may commence an action to recover the amount of the penalty, including reasonable attorney fees and costs and a surcharge of fifteen percent of the penalty plus ten percent per annum on any amounts owed. In such action, the validity and appropriateness of the final order imposing the civil penalty shall not be subject to review.
- 5. An action to enforce an order under this section may be joined with an action for an injunction.

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- 6. Any offer of settlement to resolve a civil penalty under this section shall be in writing, state that an action for imposition of a civil penalty may be initiated by the attorney general representing the board under this section, and identify any dollar amount as an offer of settlement, which shall be negotiated in good faith through conference, conciliation, and persuasion.
- 7. Failure to pay a civil penalty by any person licensed under this chapter shall be grounds for refusing to renew or denying reinstatement of a license or certificate of authority.
- 8. Penalties collected under this section shall be handled in accordance with section 7 of article IX of the Missouri Constitution. Such penalties shall not be considered a charitable contribution for tax purposes.
- 327.181. 1. Any person practices in Missouri as a professional engineer who renders or 2 offers to render or holds himself or herself out as willing or able to render any service or creative work, the adequate performance of which requires engineering education, training, and experience in the application of special knowledge of the mathematical, physical, and engineering sciences to such services or creative work as consultation, investigation, evaluation, planning and design of engineering works and systems, engineering teaching of advanced engineering subjects or courses related thereto, engineering surveys, the coordination of services 7 furnished by structural, civil, mechanical and electrical engineers and other consultants as they relate to engineering work and the inspection of construction for the purpose of compliance with drawings and specifications, any of which embraces such service or work either public or private, 10 11 in connection with any utilities, structures, buildings, machines, equipment, processes, work 12 systems or projects and including such architectural work as is incidental to the practice of engineering; or who uses the title "professional engineer" or "consulting engineer" or the word 13 "engineer" alone or preceded by any word indicating or implying that such person is or holds 14 himself or herself out to be a professional engineer, or who shall use any word or words, letters, 15 16 figures, degrees, titles or other description indicating or implying that such person is a 17 professional engineer or is willing or able to practice engineering.
 - 2. Notwithstanding any provision of subsection 1 of this section, any person using the word "engineer", "engineers", or "engineering", alone or preceded by any word, or in combination with any words, may do so without being subject to disciplinary action by the board so long as such use is reflective of that person's profession or vocation and is clearly not indicating or implying that such person is holding himself or herself out as being a professional engineer or is willing or able to practice engineering as defined in this section.
 - 327.441. 1. The board may refuse to issue any license or certificate of authority required pursuant to this chapter for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this

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- section. The board shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall advise the applicant of the applicant's right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo.
 - 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any license or certificate of authority required by this chapter or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered such person's license or certificate of authority, for any one or any combination of the following causes:
- 11 (1) Use of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, RSMo, or alcoholic 12 beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to perform the work of any 13 profession licensed or regulated by this chapter;
 - (2) The person has been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated under this chapter, for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;
 - (3) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any license or certificate of authority issued pursuant to this chapter or in obtaining permission to take any examination given or required pursuant to this chapter;
 - (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;
 - (5) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty in the performance of the functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated by this chapter;
- 28 (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of this chapter, or of any lawful rule or regulation adopted pursuant to this chapter;
 - (7) Impersonation of any person holding a license or certificate of authority, or allowing any person to use his or her license or certificate of authority, or diploma from any school;
- 32 (8) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or a certificate of authority, or other 33 right to practice any profession regulated by this chapter granted by another state, territory, 34 federal agency or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this 35 state;
- 36 (9) A person is finally adjudged incapacitated or disabled by a court of competent 37 jurisdiction;

- 38 (10) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any profession 39 licensed or regulated by this chapter who is not licensed and currently eligible to practice 40 pursuant to this chapter;
- 41 (11) Issuance of a professional license or a certificate of authority based upon a material 42 mistake of fact;
 - (12) Failure to display a valid license or certificate of authority if so required by this chapter or any rule promulgated pursuant to this chapter;
 - (13) Violation of any professional trust or confidence;
 - (14) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which is false, misleading or deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed.
 - 3. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of this section, for disciplinary action are met, the board may, singly or in combination, censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on such terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate for a period not to exceed five years, or may suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, or order a civil penalty under section 327.077, or revoke the license or certificate of authority of the person named in the complaint.
 - 331.010. 1. The "practice of chiropractic" is defined as the science and art of examination, diagnosis, adjustment, manipulation and treatment [of malpositioned articulations and structures of the body,] both in inpatient and outpatient settings, by those methods commonly taught in any chiropractic college or chiropractic program in a university which has been accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education, its successor entity or approved by the board. [The adjustment, manipulation, or treatment shall be directed toward restoring and maintaining the normal neuromuscular and musculoskeletal function and health.] It shall not include the use of operative surgery, obstetrics, osteopathy, podiatry, nor the administration or prescribing of any drug or medicine nor the practice of medicine. The practice of chiropractic is declared not to be the practice of medicine and operative surgery or osteopathy within the meaning of chapter 334, RSMo, and not subject to the provisions of the chapter.
 - 2. [A licensed chiropractor may practice chiropractic as defined in subsection 1 of this section by those methods commonly taught in any chiropractic college recognized and approved by the board.
- 3. Chiropractors may advise and instruct patients in all matters pertaining to hygiene, nutrition, and sanitary measures as taught in any chiropractic college recognized and approved by the board.
- 4.] The practice of chiropractic may include meridian therapy/acupressure/acupuncture with certification as required by the board.

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334.120. 1. There is hereby created and established a board to be known as "The State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts" for the purpose of registering, licensing and supervising all physicians and surgeons, and midwives in this state. The board shall consist of nine members, including one voting public member, to be appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the senate, at least five of whom shall be graduates of professional 5 schools [approved and accredited as reputable by the American Medical Association or the Liaison Committee on Medical Education and] accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education or recognized by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical 8 Graduates, and at least two of whom shall be graduates of professional schools approved and accredited as reputable by the American Osteopathic Association, and all of whom, except the 10 public member, shall be duly licensed and registered as physicians and surgeons pursuant to the 12 laws of this state. Each member must be a citizen of the United States and must have been a 13 resident of this state for a period of at least one year next preceding his or her appointment and shall have been actively engaged in the lawful and ethical practice of the profession of physician 15 and surgeon for at least five years next preceding his or her appointment. Not more than four members shall be affiliated with the same political party. All members shall be appointed for 17 a term of four years. Each member of the board shall receive as compensation an amount set by 18 the board not to exceed fifty dollars for each day devoted to the affairs of the board, and shall be 19 entitled to reimbursement of his or her expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of his or her official duties. The president of the Missouri State Medical Association, for all medical 20 21 physician appointments, or the president of the Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians 22 and Surgeons, for all osteopathic physician appointments, in office at the time shall, at least 23 ninety days prior to the expiration of the term of the respective board member, other than the 24 public member, or as soon as feasible after the appropriate vacancy on the board otherwise 25 occurs, submit to the director of the division of professional registration a list of five physicians 26 and surgeons qualified and willing to fill the vacancy in question, with the request and 27 recommendation that the governor appoint one of the five persons so listed, and with the list so 28 submitted, the president of the Missouri State Medical Association or the Missouri Association 29 of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, as appropriate, shall include in his or her letter of 30 transmittal a description of the method by which the names were chosen by that association. 31

2. The public member shall be at the time of his or her appointment a citizen of the United States; a resident of this state for a period of one year and a registered voter; a person who is not and never was a member of any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to this chapter or the spouse of such person; and a person who does not have and never has had a material, financial interest in either the providing of the professional services regulated by this chapter, or an activity or organization directly related to any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to this chapter. All members, including public members, shall be chosen from lists submitted by

the director of the division of professional registration. The duties of the public member shall not include the determination of the technical requirements to be met for licensure or whether any person meets such technical requirements or of the technical competence or technical judgment of a licensee or a candidate for licensure.

335.016. As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the following words and terms mean:

- (1) "Accredited", the official authorization or status granted by an agency for a program through a voluntary process;
- (2) "Advanced practice nurse", a nurse who has had education beyond the basic nursing education and is certified by a nationally recognized professional organization as having a nursing specialty, or who meets criteria for advanced practice nurses established by the board of nursing. The board of nursing may promulgate rules specifying which professional nursing organization certifications are to be recognized as advanced practice nurses, and may set standards for education, training and experience required for those without such specialty certification to become advanced practice nurses. Advanced practice nurses and only such individuals may use the title "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse" and the abbreviation "APRN";
- (3) "Approval", official recognition of nursing education programs which meet standards established by the board of nursing;
 - (4) "Board" or "state board", the state board of nursing;
- (5) "Executive director", a qualified individual employed by the board as executive secretary or otherwise to administer the provisions of this chapter under the board's direction. Such person employed as executive director shall not be a member of the board;
 - (6) "Inactive nurse", as defined by rule pursuant to section 335.061;
 - (7) "Lapsed license status", as defined by rule under section 335.061;
- (8) [A] "Licensed practical nurse" or "practical nurse", a person licensed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to engage in the practice of practical nursing;
- [(8)] (9) "Licensure", the issuing of a license to practice professional or practical nursing to candidates who have met the specified requirements and the recording of the names of those persons as holders of a license to practice professional or practical nursing;
- [(9)] (10) "Practical nursing", the performance for compensation of selected acts for the promotion of health and in the care of persons who are ill, injured, or experiencing alterations in normal health processes. Such performance requires substantial specialized skill, judgment and knowledge. All such nursing care shall be given under the direction of a person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments or under the direction of a registered professional nurse. For the purposes of this chapter, the term "direction" shall mean guidance or supervision provided by a person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe

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- medications and treatments or a registered professional nurse, including, but not limited to, oral, written, or otherwise communicated orders or directives for patient care. When practical nursing care is delivered pursuant to the direction of a person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments or under the direction of a registered professional nurse,
- 38 such care may be delivered by a licensed practical nurse without direct physical oversight;
- [(10)] (11) "Professional nursing", the performance for compensation of any act which requires substantial specialized education, judgment and skill based on knowledge and application of principles derived from the biological, physical, social and nursing sciences, including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Responsibility for the teaching of health care and the prevention of illness to the patient and his or her family;
 - (b) Assessment, nursing diagnosis, nursing care, and counsel of persons who are ill, injured or experiencing alterations in normal health processes;
 - (c) The administration of medications and treatments as prescribed by a person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments;
- 49 (d) The coordination and assistance in the delivery of a plan of health care with all 50 members of a health team;
 - (e) The teaching and supervision of other persons in the performance of any of the foregoing;
 - [(11)] (12) A "registered professional nurse" or "registered nurse", a person licensed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to engage in the practice of professional nursing;
 - (13) "Retired license status", any person licensed in this state under this chapter who retires from such practice. Such person shall file with the board an affidavit, on a form to be furnished by the board, which states the date on which the licensee retired from such practice, an intent to retire from the practice for at least two years, and such other facts as tend to verify the retirement as the board may deem necessary; but if the licensee thereafter reengages in the practice, the licensee shall renew his or her license with the board as provided by this chapter and by rule and regulation.

335.036. 1. The board shall:

- (1) Elect for a one-year term a president and a secretary, who shall also be treasurer, and the board may appoint, employ and fix the compensation of a legal counsel and such board personnel as defined in subdivision (4) of subsection 16 of section 620.010, RSMo, as are necessary to administer the provisions of sections 335.011 to 335.096;
- (2) Adopt and revise such rules and regulations as may be necessary to enable it to carry into effect the provisions of sections 335.011 to 335.096;
- 8 (3) Prescribe minimum standards for educational programs preparing persons for 9 licensure pursuant to the provisions of sections 335.011 to 335.096;

- 10 (4) Provide for surveys of such programs every five years and in addition at such times 11 as it may deem necessary;
 - (5) Designate as "approved" such programs as meet the requirements of sections 335.011 to 335.096 and the rules and regulations enacted pursuant to such sections; and the board shall annually publish a list of such programs;
- 15 (6) Deny or withdraw approval from educational programs for failure to meet prescribed 16 minimum standards;
 - (7) Examine, license, and cause to be renewed the licenses of duly qualified applicants;
- 18 (8) Cause the prosecution of all persons violating provisions of sections 335.011 to 335.096, and may incur such necessary expenses therefor;
 - (9) Keep a record of all the proceedings; and make an annual report to the governor and to the director of the department of economic development;

(10) Establish an impaired nurse program.

- 2. The board shall set the amount of the fees which this chapter authorizes and requires by rules and regulations. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering this chapter.
- 3. All fees received by the board pursuant to the provisions of sections 335.011 to 335.096 shall be deposited in the state treasury and be placed to the credit of the state board of nursing fund. All administrative costs and expenses of the board shall be paid from appropriations made for those purposes.
- 4. The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the amount of the appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year or, if the board requires by rule, permit renewal less frequently than yearly, then three times the appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year.
- 5. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this chapter shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to August 28, 1999, is of no force and effect and repealed. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to repeal or affect the validity of any rule filed or adopted prior to August 28, 1999, if it fully complied with all applicable provisions of law. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the

grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 1999, shall be invalid and void.

- 335.066. 1. The board may refuse to issue **or reinstate** any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required pursuant to [sections 335.011 to 335.096] **chapter 335** for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section **or the board may, as a condition to issuing or reinstating any such permit or license, require a person to submit himself or herself for identification, intervention, treatment, or rehabilitation by the impaired nurse program as provided in section 335.067**. The board shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall advise the applicant of his or her right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo.
- 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required by sections 335.011 to 335.096 or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered his or her certificate of registration or authority, permit or license for any one or any combination of the following causes:
- (1) Use or unlawful possession of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, RSMo, or alcoholic beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to perform the work of any profession licensed or regulated by sections 335.011 to 335.096;
- (2) The person has been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution pursuant to the laws of any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 335.011 to 335.096, for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;
- (3) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license issued pursuant to sections 335.011 to 335.096 or in obtaining permission to take any examination given or required pursuant to sections 335.011 to 335.096;
- (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;
- 29 (5) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty 30 in the performance of the functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated by sections 31 335.011 to 335.096;
- 32 (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 33 335.011 to 335.096, or of any lawful rule or regulation adopted pursuant to sections 335.011 to 34 335.096;

- 35 (7) Impersonation of any person holding a certificate of registration or authority, permit 36 or license or allowing any person to use his or her certificate of registration or authority, permit, 37 license or diploma from any school;
 - (8) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any profession regulated by sections 335.011 to 335.096 granted by another state, territory, federal agency or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;
 - (9) A person is finally adjudged insane or incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction;
 - (10) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any profession licensed or regulated by sections 335.011 to 335.096 who is not registered and currently eligible to practice pursuant to sections 335.011 to 335.096;
 - (11) Issuance of a certificate of registration or authority, permit or license based upon a material mistake of fact;
 - (12) Violation of any professional trust or confidence;
 - (13) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which is false, misleading or deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed;
 - (14) Violation of the drug laws or rules and regulations of this state, any other state or the federal government;
 - (15) Placement on an employee disqualification list or other related restriction or finding pertaining to employment within a health-related profession issued by any state or federal government or agency following final disposition by such state or federal government or agency;

(16) Failure to successfully complete the impaired nurse program.

- 3. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of this section, for disciplinary action are met, the board may, singly or in combination, censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on such terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate for a period not to exceed five years, or may suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, or revoke the license, certificate, or permit.
- 4. For any hearing before the full board, the board shall cause the notice of the hearing to be served upon such licensee in person or by certified mail to the licensee at the licensee's last known address. If service cannot be accomplished in person or by certified mail, notice by publication as described in subsection 3 of section 506.160, RSMo, shall be allowed; any representative of the board is authorized to act as a court or judge would in that section; any employee of the board is authorized to act as a clerk would in that section.
- 5. An individual whose license has been revoked shall wait one year from the date of revocation to apply for relicensure. Relicensure shall be at the discretion of the board after

72 compliance with all the requirements of sections 335.011 to 335.096 relative to the licensing of 73 an applicant for the first time.

- [5.] **6.** The board may notify the proper licensing authority of any other state concerning the final disciplinary action determined by the board on a license in which the person whose license was suspended or revoked was also licensed of the suspension or revocation.
- [6.] 7. Any person, organization, association or corporation who reports or provides information to the board of nursing pursuant to the provisions of sections 335.011 to 335.259 and who does so in good faith shall not be subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.
- 8. If the board concludes that a nurse has committed an act or is engaging in a course of conduct which would be grounds for disciplinary action which constitutes a clear and present danger to the public health and safety, the board may file a complaint before the administrative hearing commission requesting an expedited hearing and specifying the activities which give rise to the danger and the nature of the proposed restriction or suspension of the nurse's license. Within fifteen days after service of the complaint on the nurse, the administrative hearing commission shall conduct a preliminary hearing to determine whether the alleged activities of the nurse appear to constitute a clear and present danger to the public health and safety which justify that the nurse's license be immediately restricted or suspended. The burden of proving that a nurse is a clear and present danger to the public health and safety shall be upon the state board of nursing. The administrative hearing commission shall issue its decision immediately after the hearing and shall either grant to the board the authority to suspend or restrict the license or dismiss the action.
- 9. If the administrative hearing commission grants temporary authority to the board to restrict or suspend the nurse's license, such temporary authority of the board shall become final authority if there is no request by the nurse for a full hearing within thirty days of the preliminary hearing. The administrative hearing commission shall, if requested by the nurse named in the complaint, set a date to hold a full hearing under the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo, regarding the activities alleged in the initial complaint filed by the board.
- 10. If the administrative hearing commission refuses to grant temporary authority to the board or restrict or suspend the nurse's license under subsection 8 of this section, such dismissal shall not bar the board from initiating a subsequent disciplinary action on the same grounds.
- 335.067. 1. The state board of nursing may establish an impaired nurse program to promote the early identification, intervention, treatment, and rehabilitation of nurses who may be impaired by reasons of illness, substance abuse, or as a result of any mental condition. This program shall be available to anyone holding a current license and may

- be entered voluntarily, as part of an agreement with the board of nursing, or as a condition of a disciplinary order entered by the board of nursing.
 - 2. The board may enter into a contractual agreement with a nonprofit corporation or a nursing association for the purpose of creating, supporting, and maintaining a program to be designated as the impaired nurse program. The board may promulgate administrative rules subject to the provisions of this section and chapter 536, RSMo, to effectuate and implement any program formed pursuant to this section.
 - 3. The board may expend appropriated funds necessary to provide for operational expenses of the program formed pursuant to this section.
 - 4. Any member of the program, as well as any administrator, staff member, consultant, agent, or employee of the program, acting within the scope of his or her duties and without actual malice, and all other persons who furnish information to the program in good faith and without actual malice, shall not be liable for any claim of damages as a result of any statement, decision, opinion, investigation, or action taken by the program, or by any individual member of the program.
 - 5. All information, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda, or other documents furnished to or produced by the program, as well as communications to or from the program, any findings, conclusions, interventions, treatment, rehabilitation, or other proceedings of the program which in any way pertain to a licensee who may be, or who actually is, impaired shall be privileged and confidential.
 - 6. All records and proceedings of the program which pertain or refer to a licensee who may be, or who actually is, impaired shall be privileged and confidential and shall be used by the program and its members only in the exercise of the proper function of the program and shall not be considered public records under chapter 610, RSMo, and shall not be subject to court subpoena or subject to discovery or introduction as evidence in any civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings except as provided in subsection 4 of this section.
- 7. The program may disclose information relative to an impaired licensee only when:
 - (1) It is essential to disclose the information to further the intervention, treatment, or rehabilitation needs of the impaired licensee and only to those persons or organizations with a need to know;
 - (2) Its release is authorized in writing by the impaired licensee;
 - (3) A licensee has breached his or her contract with the program. In this instance, the breach may be reported only to the board of nursing; or
 - (4) The information is subject to a court order.

- 8. When pursuing discipline against a licensed practical nurse, registered nurse, or advanced practice registered nurse for violating one or more causes stated in subsection 2 of section 335.066, the board may, if the violation is related to chemical dependency or mental health, require that the licensed practical nurse, registered nurse, or advanced practice registered nurse complete the impaired nurse program under such terms and conditions as are agreed to by the board and the licensee for a period not to exceed five years. If the licensee violates a term or condition of an impaired nurse program agreement entered into under this section, the board may elect to pursue discipline against the licensee pursuant to chapter 621, RSMo, for the original conduct that resulted in the impaired nurse program agreement, or for any subsequent violation of subsection 2 of section 335.066. While the licensee participates in the impaired nurse program, the time limitations of section 620.154, RSMo, shall toll under subsection 7 of section 620.154, RSMo. All records pertaining to the impaired nurse program agreements are confidential and may only be released under subdivision (7) of subsection 14 of section 620.010, RSMo.
- 9. The board may disclose information and records to the impaired nurse program to assist the program in the identification, intervention, treatment, and rehabilitation of licensed practical nurses, registered nurses, or advanced practice registered nurses who may be impaired by reason of illness, substance abuse, or as the result of any physical or mental condition. The program shall keep all information and records provided by the board confidential to the extent the board is required to treat the information and records closed to the public under chapter 620, RSMo.
- 335.068. 1. [If the board finds merit to a complaint by an individual incarcerated or under the care and control of the department of corrections and takes further investigative action, no documentation may appear on file or disciplinary action may be taken in regards to the licensee's license unless the provisions of subsection 2 of section 335.066 have been violated. Any case file documentation that does not result in the board filing an action pursuant to subsection 2 of section 335.066 shall be destroyed within three months after the final case disposition by the board. No notification to any other licensing board in another state or any national registry regarding any investigative action shall be made unless the provisions of subsection 2 of section 335.066 have been violated.
- 2. Upon written request of the nurse subject to a complaint, prior to August 28, 1999, by an individual incarcerated or under the care and control of the department of corrections that did not result in the board filing an action pursuant to subsection 2 of section 335.066, the board and the division of professional registration shall in a timely fashion:
- (1) Destroy all documentation regarding the complaint;] If the board determines that a complaint does not constitute a violation of the nursing practice act or that the complaint is unsubstantiated, then that complaint, and all documentation related to it, shall be

deemed a sealed record. If the administrative hearing commission or a court of competent jurisdiction makes a finding that an action brought by the board does not constitute sufficient grounds to discipline the license of a licensee, that complaint, and all documentation related to it, shall be deemed a sealed record.

- 2. For purposes of this section, a "sealed record" shall mean that the complaint to which it refers shall be deemed to never have occurred. The licensee may properly reply that no record exists with respect to such complaint upon any inquiry in the matter. A sealed record shall not be disclosed or reported to any other state agency, other board of nursing, or any other organization without express, written permission of the licensee.
- 3. Upon determination by the board that a complaint is not a violation of the nursing practice act or that the complaint is unsubstantiated, or upon the conclusion of litigation resulting in a finding of insufficient grounds to impose discipline upon a licensee's license, the board and the division of professional registration shall, in a timely fashion:
- [(2)] (1) Notify any other licensing board in another state or any national registry regarding the board's action if they have been previously notified of the complaint; and
- [(3)] (2) Send a letter to the licensee that clearly states that the board found the complaint to be unsubstantiated[, that the board has taken the requested action,] or that litigation resulted in a finding that there are insufficient grounds to discipline the licensee's license, that the board has sealed all records concerning the complaint, and notify the licensee of the provisions of subsection [3] 4 of this section.
- [3.] **4.** Any person who has been the subject of an unsubstantiated complaint as provided in subsection 1 [or 2] of this section shall not be required to disclose the existence of such complaint in subsequent applications or representations relating to their nursing professions.
- 5. Nothing contained in this section shall prevent the board of nursing from maintaining such records as to ensure that all complaints received by the board are properly investigated and reviewed by the board and the results of that investigation are reported to the appropriate parties.
- 335.076. 1. Any person who holds a license to practice professional nursing in this state may use the title "Registered Professional Nurse" and the abbreviation "R.N.". No other person [may] **shall** use the title "Registered Professional Nurse" or the abbreviation "R.N.". No other person shall assume any title or use any abbreviation or any other words, letters, signs, or devices to indicate that the person using the same is a registered professional nurse.
- 2. Any person who holds a license to practice practical nursing in this state may use the title "Licensed Practical Nurse" and the abbreviation "L.P.N.". No other person [may] **shall** use the title "Licensed Practical Nurse" or the abbreviation "L.P.N.". No other person shall assume any title or use any abbreviation or any other words, letters, signs, or devices to indicate that the person using the same is a licensed practical nurse.

- 3. Any person who holds a license or recognition to practice advanced practice nursing in this state may use the title "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse", and the abbreviation "APRN", and any other title designations appearing on his or her license. No other person shall use the title "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse" or the abbreviation "APRN". No other person shall assume any title or use any abbreviation or any other words, letters, signs, or devices to indicate that the person using the same is an advanced practice registered nurse.
- **4.** No person shall practice or offer to practice professional nursing [or], practical nursing, **or advanced practice nursing** in this state [for compensation] or use any title, sign, abbreviation, card, or device to indicate that such person is a practicing professional nurse [or], practical nurse, **or advanced practice nurse** unless he **or she** has been duly licensed under the provisions of [sections 335.011 to 335.096] **this chapter**.
- 5. In the interest of public safety and consumer awareness, it is unlawful for any person to use the title "nurse" in reference to himself or herself in any capacity, except individuals who are or have been licensed as a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or advanced practice registered nurse under this chapter.
- 6. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a person listed as a Christian Science nurse in the Christian Science Journal published by the Christian Science Publishing Society, Houston, Massachusetts, from using the title "Christian Science nurse", so long as such person provides religious nonmedical services when offering or providing services to a member of his or her own religious organization and does not hold his or her own religious organization and does not hold himself or herself out as a registered nurse, advanced practice registered nurse, nurse practitioner, licensed practical nurse, nurse midwife, clinical nurse specialist, or nurse anesthetists, unless otherwise authorized by law to do so.
- 335.096. Any person who violates any of the provisions of [sections 335.011 to 335.096] **chapter 335** is guilty of a class [A misdemeanor] **D felony** and, upon conviction, shall be punished as provided by law.
- 335.097. 1. The president or secretary of the board of nursing may administer oaths, issue subpoenas duces tecum and require production of documents and records. Subpoenas duces tecum shall be served by a person authorized to serve subpoenas of courts of record. In lieu of requiring attendance of a person to produce original documents in response to a subpoena duces tecum, the board may require sworn copies of such documents to be filed with it or delivered to its designated representative.
 - 2. The board may enforce its subpoenas duces tecum by applying to a circuit court of Cole County, the county of the investigation, hearing or proceeding, or any county where the person resides or may be found, for an order upon any person who shall fail to comply with a

subpoena duces tecum to show cause why such subpoena should not be enforced, which such order and a copy of the application therefor shall be served upon the person in the same manner as a summons in a civil action, and if the circuit court shall, after a hearing, determine that the subpoena duces tecum should be sustained and enforced, such court shall proceed to enforce the subpoena duces tecum in the same manner as though the subpoena duces tecum had been issued in a civil case in the circuit court.

3. Reports made to the board under the mandated reporting requirements as defined in chapter 383, RSMo, shall not be deemed a violation of the federal health insurance portability and accountability act (HIPAA) and the privacy rules located in the act because the Missouri state board of nursing qualifies as a health oversight agency as defined in the HIPAA privacy rules.

335.212. As used in sections 335.212 to 335.242, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Board", the Missouri state board of nursing;
 - (2) "Department", the Missouri department of health and senior services;
- 4 (3) "Director", director of the Missouri department of health and senior services;
 - (4) "Eligible student", a resident who has been accepted as a full-time student in a formal course of instruction leading to an associate degree, a diploma, a bachelor of science, or a master of science in nursing or leading to the completion of educational requirements for a licensed practical nurse;
 - (5) "Participating school", an institution within this state which is approved by the board for participation in the professional and practical nursing student loan program established by sections 335.212 to 335.242, having a nursing department and offering a course of instruction based on nursing theory and clinical nursing experience;
 - (6) "Qualified applicant", an eligible student approved by the board for participation in the professional and practical nursing student loan program established by sections 335.212 to 335.242;
 - (7) "Qualified employment", employment on a full-time basis in Missouri in a position requiring licensure as a licensed practical nurse or registered professional nurse in any hospital as defined in section 197.020, RSMo, or [public or nonprofit] in any agency, institution, or organization located in an area of need as determined by the department of health and senior services. Any forgiveness of such principal and interest for any qualified applicant engaged in qualified employment on a less than full-time basis may be prorated to reflect the amounts provided in this section;
- 23 (8) "Resident", any person who has lived in this state for one or more years for any purpose other than the attending of an educational institution located within this state.
 - 336.010. [Any one or any combination of the following practices constitutes the 2 "practice of optometry":

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- 3 (1) The examination of the human eye, without the use of drugs, medicines or surgery, 4 to ascertain the presence of defects or abnormal conditions which can be corrected by the use of 5 lenses, prisms or ocular exercises;
- 6 (2) The employment of objective or subjective mechanical means to determine the accommodative or refractive states of the human eye or the range of power of vision of the human eye;
 - (3) The prescription or adaptation without the use of drugs, medicines or surgery, of lenses, prisms, or ocular exercises to correct defects or abnormal conditions of the human eye or to adjust the human eye to the conditions of special occupation.] 1. The "practice of optometry" is the examination, diagnosis, treatment, and preventative care of the eye, adnexa, and vision. The practice includes, but is not limited to:
 - (1) The examination of the eye, adnexa, and vision to determine the accommodative and refractive states, visual perception, conditions, and diseases;
 - (2) The diagnosis and treatment of conditions or diseases of the eye, adnexa, and vision:
 - (3) The performance of diagnostic procedures and ordering of laboratory and imaging tests for the diagnosis of vision and conditions and diseases of the eye and adnexa;
 - (4) The prescription and administration of pharmaceutical agents, excluding injectable agents, for the purpose of examination, diagnosis, and treatment of vision and conditions or diseases of the eye and adnexa;
 - (5) The removal of superficial foreign bodies from the eye or adnexa;
 - (6) The employment of objective or subjective mechanical means to determine the accommodative or refractive states of the human eye;
 - (7) The prescription or adaptation of lenses, prisms, devices, or ocular exercises to correct defects or abnormal conditions of the human eye or vision or to adjust the human eye to special conditions;
 - (8) The prescription and fitting of ophthalmic or contact lenses and devices;
 - (9) The prescription and administration of vision therapy; and
- 31 **(10)** The prescription and administration of low vision care.
 - 2. An optometrist may not perform surgery, including the use of lasers for treatment of any disease or condition or for the correction of refractive error.
- 34 3. As used in this chapter, except as the context may otherwise require, the following terms mean:
 - (1) "Eye", the human eye;
- 37 (2) "Adnexa", all structures adjacent to the eye and the conjunctiva, lids, lashes, and lacrimal system;
 - (3) "Board", the Missouri state board of optometry;

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- 40 (4) "Diagnostic pharmaceutical agents", topically applied pharmaceuticals used for the purpose of conducting an examination of the eye, adnexa, and vision; 41
 - (5) "Low vision care", the examination, treatment, and management of patients with visual impairments not treatable by conventional evewear or contact lenses and may include a vision rehabilitation program to enhance remaining vision skills;
 - (6) "Pharmaceutical agents", any diagnostic and therapeutic drug or combination of drugs that assist the diagnosis, prevention, treatment, or mitigation of abnormal conditions or symptoms of the human eye, adnexa, and vision;
 - "Therapeutic pharmaceutical agents", those pharmaceuticals, excluding injectable agents, used for the treatment of conditions or diseases of the eye, adnexa, and vision;
- 51 (8) "Vision therapy", a treatment regiment to improve a patient's diagnosed visual 52 dysfunctions, prevent the development of visual problems, or enhance visual performance to meet the defined needs of the patient.
- 336.020. It shall be unlawful for any person to practice [optometry or], to attempt to practice [optometry], or to offer to practice optometry, or to be employed by [a] any person, corporation, partnership, [or] association [for the purpose of practicing optometry], or other 3 entity that practice or attempts to practice without a [certificate of registration] license as [a 4 registered] an optometrist issued by the [state] board [of optometry]. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a person licensed or registered under chapter 334, RSMo, 7 whose license is in good standing from acting within the scope of his or her practice or a person licensed as an optometrist in any state to serve as an expert witness in a civil,
- 336.030. 1. A person is qualified to receive a [certificate of registration as a registered] 2 license as an optometrist:
 - (1) Who is at least twenty-one years of age;
- 4 (2) Who is of good moral character [and];

criminal, or administrative proceeding.

- 5 (3) Who has graduated from a **college or** school of optometry approved by the [state] 6 board [of optometry]; and
- 7 (4) Who has [passed a satisfactory examination conducted by or approved by the state board of optometry to determine his fitness to receive a certificate of registration as a registered 8 9 optometrist] met either of the following conditions:
- 10 (a) Has passed an examination satisfactory to, conducted by, or approved by the board to determine his or her fitness to receive a license as an optometrist with 11 pharmaceutical certification and met the requirements of licensure as may be required by 13 rule and regulation; or

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- (b) Has been licensed and has practiced for at least three years in the five years immediately preceding the date of application with pharmaceutical certification in another state, territory, country, or province in which the requirements are substantially equivalent to the requirements in this state and has satisfactorily completed any practical examination or any examination on Missouri laws as may be required by rule and regulation.
- 2. The board may adopt reasonable rules and regulations providing for the examination and certification of optometrists who apply to the board for the authority to practice optometry in this state.

336.040. Every person who desires to obtain a [certificate of registration] license to practice optometry shall apply [therefor] to the [state] board [of optometry], in writing, on [blanks] forms prepared and furnished by the [state] board [of optometry]. [Each] The application shall [contain proof of the particular] state the required qualifications [required] of the applicant, [shall contain a statement that it is] that the representations are made under oath 5 or affirmation and [that its representations] are true and correct to the applicant's best knowledge [and belief of the person signing same], subject to the penalties of making a false 8 affidavit or declaration and shall be accompanied by the examination fee.

336.050. The [state] board [of optometry] shall hold examinations of applicants for [certificates of registration as registered optometrists] a license as an optometrist at such times and places as it may determine. The examination of applicants for [certificates of registration as registered optometrists] a license as an optometrist may include both practical demonstrations and written and oral tests, and shall embrace the subjects normally taught in 5 schools of optometry approved by the [state] board [of optometry].

336.060. Whenever the provisions of this chapter have been complied with, and upon payment of the [certificate] license fee, the [state] board [of optometry] shall issue a [certificate of registration as a registered optometrist] license as an optometrist.

336.070. Every holder of [a certificate of registration] an optometry license shall display [it] the license in a conspicuous place in his or her principal office, place of business or employment. Whenever a [registered] licensed optometrist practices optometry [outside of, 3 or] away from[,] his **or her** principal office, [places of business or employment, he] **the licensee** shall [deliver to each patient in his care a certificate of identification or provide other identification as authorized by rule and regulation] obtain a duplicate renewal license from the board and display it in clear view of the public.

336.080. **1.** Every [registered] **licensed** optometrist who continues in active practice or service shall, on or before the renewal date, renew his [certificate of registration] or her license and pay the required renewal fee and present satisfactory evidence to the [state] board [of optometry] of his **or her** attendance for a minimum of [eight hours each year] **thirty-two hours** of board-approved continuing education, or their equivalent during the preceding [licensing

period at educational optometric programs, or their equivalent, that have been approved by the board] two-year continuing education reporting period as established by rule and regulation. The [attendance or equivalent] continuing education requirement may be waived by the board upon presentation to it of satisfactory evidence of the illness of the optometrist or for other good cause as defined by rule and regulation. The board shall not reject any such application if approved programs are not available within the state of Missouri. Every [certificate of registration] license which has not been renewed on or before the renewal date shall expire.

2. Any [registered] licensed optometrist who permits his [certificate] or her license to expire may renew it within five years of expiration upon payment of the required [restoration] reactivation fee and presentation of satisfactory evidence to the [state] board [of optometry] of his or her attendance for a minimum of [twenty-four] forty-eight hours of board-approved continuing education, or their equivalent, during the five years [at educational programs, or their equivalent, that have been approved by the board. The attendance or equivalent may be waived by the board upon presentation to it of satisfactory evidence of the illness of the optometrist or for other good cause as defined by rule and regulation].

336.140. 1. The board shall hold meetings for the examination of applicants for registration and the transaction of other business pertaining to its duties at least once in six months. [The board shall give thirty days' public notice of the time and place of this meeting.] Each member of the board shall receive as compensation an amount set by the board not to exceed fifty dollars for each day devoted to the affairs of the board, and shall be entitled to reimbursement of his expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of his official duties. All fees payable under this chapter shall be collected by the division of professional registration, which shall transmit the same to the department of revenue for deposit in the state treasury to the credit of a fund to be known as the "Optometry Fund". All costs and expenses incurred in administering the provisions of this chapter shall be appropriated and paid from this fund.

2. The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the amount of the appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year or, if the board requires by rule permit renewal less frequently than yearly, then three times the appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year.

336.160. 1. The [state] board [of optometry] may adopt reasonable rules and regulations within the scope and terms of this chapter for the proper administration and enforcement thereof.

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- It may employ such board personnel, as defined in subdivision (4) of subsection 16 of section 620.010, RSMo, as it deems necessary within appropriations therefor. 4
- 5 2. The board shall set the amount of the fees which this chapter authorizes and requires by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to section 536.021, RSMo. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the cost and expense of 7 8 administering this chapter.
- 336.220. 1. [The state board of optometry may adopt reasonable rules and regulations providing for the examination and certification of registered optometrists who apply to the board 2 for authority to administer pharmaceutical agents in the practice of optometry. pharmaceutical agents may be "diagnostic pharmaceutical agents" or "therapeutic pharmaceutical agents". As used in this section, the term "diagnostic pharmaceutical agents" means those topically applied pharmaceuticals used for the purpose of conducting an examination upon the eye or adnexa, and the term "therapeutic pharmaceutical agents" means those pharmaceuticals, 7 excluding injectable agents, used for the treatment of conditions or diseases of the eye or the 9 adnexa.
- 2. No registered optometrist shall administer diagnostic pharmaceutical agents or therapeutic pharmaceutical agents in the practice of optometry unless such person submits to the state board of optometry evidence of satisfactory completion of: a course of instruction in 12 general and ocular pharmacology; which includes at least one hundred hours of approved, 14 supervised, clinical training in the examination, diagnosis and treatment of conditions of the human eye and adnexa in a program supervised by a board-certified ophthalmologist; and such 15 other educational requirements or examination as may be required by the board, and is certified 16 by the board as qualified to administer diagnostic pharmaceutical agents and therapeutic pharmaceutical agents in the practice of optometry. An optometrist may not be certified by the board to administer therapeutic pharmaceutical agents unless the optometrist is certified to administer diagnostic pharmaceutical agents. The board shall not approve a course of instruction in general or ocular pharmacology unless it is taught by an institution utilizing both the didactic and clinical instruction in pharmacology and which is accredited by a regional or professional 22 accrediting organization which is recognized by the United States Department of Education or 24 its successors and the transcript for the course of instruction is certified to the board by the institution as being comparable in content to those courses in general and ocular pharmacology required by other licensing boards whose licenses or registrants are permitted the administration of pharmaceutical agents in the course of their professional practice for either diagnostic or therapeutic purposes or both.
 - 3. In issuing a certificate of registration or a renewal of a certificate of registration, the state board of optometry shall:

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- 31 (1) State upon the certificate of an optometrist certified by the board to administer 32 diagnostic pharmaceutical agents in the practice of optometry that the optometrist is so certified; 33 and
 - (2) State upon the certificate of an optometrist certified by the board to administer therapeutic pharmaceutical agents in the practice of optometry that the optometrist is so certified.
 - 4. Any provision of section 336.010 to the contrary notwithstanding, a registered optometrist who is examined and so certified by the state board of optometry in the administration of diagnostic pharmaceutical agents or therapeutic pharmaceutical agents may administer those agents for which he is certified in the practice of optometry. An optometrist's prescriptions for therapeutic pharmaceutical agents should be dispensed by a pharmacist licensed under chapter 338, RSMo. When therapeutic pharmaceutical agents are dispensed by an optometrist the provisions of section 338.059, RSMo, shall apply.
 - 5. An optometrist certified in the administration of therapeutic pharmaceutical agents may:
 - (1) Administer and prescribe pharmaceutical agents, excluding injectable agents, for the diagnosis and treatment of conditions or diseases of the eye or adnexa; and
 - (2) Perform diagnostic procedures and order laboratory and imaging tests for the diagnosis of conditions or diseases of the eye or adnexa.
 - 6. Each optometrist certified in the administration of therapeutic pharmaceutical agents shall, within one year of August 28, 1995, complete a course of instruction approved by the board that includes at least twenty-four hours of training in the treatment of glaucoma. The board shall not approve a course of instruction in the treatment of glaucoma unless it is taught by an institution that is accredited by a regional or professional accrediting organization that is recognized by the United States Department of Education or its successor and the content for the course of instruction is certified to the board by the institution as being comparable in the content to those courses in the treatment of glaucoma required by other licensing boards whose licensees or registrants are permitted to treat glaucoma in the course of their professional practice; except that, any optometrist initially licensed in Missouri after December 31, 1990, who had previously passed the examination of the National Board of Examiners in Optometry in the year 1990, or anytime after such year, shall be exempt from the requirement of completing the course of instruction in the treatment of glaucoma required by this subsection. Until December 31, 1999, as a condition for the annual renewal of the certificate of registration, each optometrist certified in the administration of therapeutic pharmaceutical agents shall, as a condition for the annual renewal of certification through December 31, 1999, complete a continuing course of instruction of at least six hours in the treatment of glaucoma as approved by the board; provided that, such six hours may be credited against the initial course of at least twenty-four hours required by this

section and against the educational optometric program of at least eight hours required by section 336.080.

- 7. An optometrist certified by the board in the administration of therapeutic pharmaceutical agents may remove superficial foreign bodies from the eye and adnexa. An optometrist may not perform surgery, including the use of lasers for treatment of any disease or condition or for the correction of refractive error. An optometrist certified to use pharmaceutical agents as provided in this section shall be held to the same standard of care in the use of such agents in the optometrist's diagnosis and treatment as are physicians, licensed by the Missouri state board of registration for the healing arts, who exercise that degree of skill and proficiency commonly exercised by ordinary, skillful, careful and prudent physicians and surgeons engaged in the practice of medicine.
- 8. Any optometrist authorized by the board to administer diagnostic pharmaceutical agents shall refer a patient to a physician licensed under chapter 334, RSMo, if an examination of the eyes indicates a condition, including reduced visual acuity, which requires medical treatment, further medical diagnosis, or further refraction. This referral is not required on known or previously diagnosed conditions. The record of the referral in the optometrist's notes shall have the standing of any business record. Any optometrist violating this section shall be subject to the provisions of section 336.110.] Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of section 336.010, any optometrist who is not certified to use either diagnostic or therapeutic pharmaceutical agents shall continue to be prohibited from administering, dispensing, or prescribing the respective pharmaceutical agents unless the optometrist has completed an approved course of study and has been certified by the board. Such status shall be noted on the license at each renewal.
- 2. Any optometrist authorized by the board to administer only diagnostic pharmaceutical agents shall refer a patient to a physician licensed under chapter 334, RSMo, if an examination of the eyes indicates a condition, including reduced visual acuity, which requires medical treatment, further medical diagnosis, or further refraction. This referral is not required on known or previously diagnosed conditions. The record of the referral in the optometrist's notes shall have the standing of any business record. Any optometrist violating this section shall be subject to the provisions of section 336.110.
- 3. An optometrist's prescriptions for therapeutic pharmaceutical agents shall be dispensed by a pharmacist licensed under chapter 338, RSMo. When therapeutic pharmaceutical agents are dispensed by an optometrist, the provisions of section 338.059, RSMo, shall apply.
- 4. An optometrist certified to use pharmaceutical agents shall be held to the standard of care in the use of pharmaceutical agents in the optometrist's diagnosis and treatment as are physicians licensed by the Missouri State Board of Registration for the

Healing Arts, who exercise that degree of skill and learning ordinarily used under the same or similar circumstances by physicians and surgeons engaged in the practice of medicine.

5. The board may adopt reasonable rules and regulations providing for the examination and certification of optometrists who apply to the board for authority to administer and prescribe pharmaceutical agents in the practice of optometry.

336.225. [Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any written or broadcast advertising for eye exam services whether regional or national by any optical firm shall not be required to list the name of the optometrist in the advertisement provided those optometrists practicing under a trade name at a specific location shall be identified to any person by having the optometrist's name prominently displayed at such specific location. All eye exam services provided by any optical firm must be provided by a person in accordance with the provisions contained in section 336.030.] Any optometrist or any person, firm, or corporation employing or associated with an optometrist may advertise the availability of optometric service. The optometrist shall be responsible for ensuring that his or her name is prominently displayed at all of his or her practice locations. All eye examination services shall be provided by a person in accordance with the provisions of section 336.030.

337.600. As used in sections 337.600 to 337.689, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Advanced macro social worker", the applications of social work theory, knowledge, methods, principles, values, and ethics; and the professional use of self to community and organizational systems, systemic and macrocosm issues, and other indirect nonclinical services; specialized knowledge and advanced practice skills in case management, information and referral, nonclinical assessments, counseling, outcome evaluation, mediation, nonclinical supervision, nonclinical consultation, expert testimony, education, outcome evaluation, research, advocacy, social planning and policy development, community organization, and the development, implementation and administration of policies, programs, and activities. A licensed advanced macro social worker may not treat mental or emotional disorders or provide psychotherapy without the direct supervision of a licensed clinical social worker; or diagnose a mental disorder;
- (2) "Clinical social work", the application of **social work theory, knowledge, values,** methods, principles, and techniques of case work, group work, client-centered advocacy, [community organization,] administration, [planning, evaluation,] consultation, research, psychotherapy and counseling methods and techniques to persons, families and groups in assessment, diagnosis, treatment, prevention and amelioration of mental and emotional conditions;
- 19 (3) "Committee", the state committee for social workers established in section 20 337.622;
- 21 [(2)] (4) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;

- [(3)] (5) "Director", the director of the division of professional registration [in the department of economic development];
 - [(4)] (6) "Division", the division of professional registration;
 - [(5)] (7) "Independent practice", any practice of social workers outside of an organized setting such as a social, medical, or governmental agency in which a social worker assumes responsibility and accountability for services required;
 - (8) "Licensed advanced macro social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, families, couples, organizations, institutions, communities, government agencies, corporations, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as an advanced macro social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as an advanced macro social worker;
 - (9) "Licensed baccalaureate social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a baccalaureate social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as a baccalaureate social worker;
 - [(6)] (10) "Licensed clinical social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a clinical social worker, and who holds a current, valid license to practice as a clinical social worker;
 - (11) "Licensed master social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, families, couples, organizations, institutions, communities, government agencies, corporations, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a master social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as a master social worker. A licensed master social worker may not treat mental or emotional disorders, provide psychotherapy without the direct supervision of a licensed clinical social worker, or diagnose a mental disorder;
 - (12) "Master social work", the application of social work theory, knowledge, methods, and ethics and the professional use of self to restore or enhance social, psychosocial, or bio-psychosocial functioning of individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, communities, institutions, government agencies, or corporations. The practice includes the applications of specialized knowledge and advanced practice skills in the areas of assessment, treatment planning, implementation and evaluation, case management, mediation, information and referral, counseling, client education, supervision, consultation, education, research, advocacy, community organization and

- development, planning, evaluation, implementation and administration of policies, programs, and activities. Under supervision as provided in this section, the practice of master social work may include the practices reserved to clinical social workers or advanced macro social workers;
 - (13) "Practice of advanced macro social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, communities, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of advanced practice macro social work;
 - (14) "Practice of baccalaureate social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of baccalaureate social work;
 - [(7)] (15) "Practice of clinical social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of clinical social work;
 - (16) "Practice of master social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, communities, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of master social work;
 - [(8)] (17) "Provisional licensed clinical social worker", any person who is a graduate of an accredited school of social work and meets all requirements of a licensed clinical social worker, other than the supervised clinical social work experience prescribed by subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 337.615, and who is supervised by a person who is qualified to practice clinical social work, as defined by rule;
 - (18) "Qualified advanced macro supervisor", any licensed social worker who meets the qualifications of a qualified clinical supervisor or a licensed advanced macro social worker who has:
 - (a) Practiced in the field for which he or she is supervising the applicant for a minimum uninterrupted period of five years;
 - (b) Has successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social work; and

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- 95 (c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule 96 by the state committee for social workers;
 - (19) "Qualified baccalaureate supervisor", any licensed social worker who meets the qualifications of a qualified clinical supervisor, qualified master supervisor, qualified advanced macro supervisor, or a licensed baccalaureate social worker who has:
 - (a) Practiced in the field for which he or she is supervising the applicant for a minimum uninterrupted period of five years;
 - (b) Has successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social workers; and
 - (c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule by the state committee for social workers;
 - (20) "Qualified clinical supervisor", any licensed clinical social worker who has:
- 110 (a) Practiced in the field for which he or she is supervising the applicant 111 uninterrupted since August 28, 2004, or a minimum of five years;
 - (b) Has successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social work; and
 - (c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule by the state committee for social workers;
 - [(9)] (21) "Social worker", any individual that has:
- 120 (a) Received a baccalaureate or master's degree in social work from an accredited social 121 work program approved by the council on social work education;
 - (b) Received a doctorate or Ph.D. in social work; or
- 123 (c) A current [baccalaureate or clinical] social worker license as set forth in sections 124 337.600 to 337.689.

337.603. No person shall use the title of "licensed clinical social worker", "clinical social worker" or "provisional licensed clinical social worker" [and], or engage in the practice of clinical social work in this state, unless the person is licensed as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] 337.689. Only individuals who are licensed clinical social workers shall practice clinical social work. Sections 337.600 to [337.639] 337.689 shall not apply to:

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- 131 (1) Any person registered, certificated, or licensed by this state, another state, or any recognized national certification agent acceptable to the committee to practice any other occupation or profession while rendering services similar in nature to clinical social work in the performance of the occupation or profession which the person is registered, certificated, or licensed; and
- 136 (2) The practice of any social worker who is employed by any agency or department of 137 the state of Missouri while discharging the person's duties in that capacity.
 - 337.604. 1. No person shall hold himself or herself out to be a "social worker" unless such person has:
 - 3 (1) Received a baccalaureate or master's degree in social work from an accredited social 4 work program approved by the council on social work education;
 - (2) Received a doctorate or Ph.D. in social work; or
 - 6 (3) A current [baccalaureate or clinical] social worker license as set forth in sections 7 337.600 to 337.689.
 - 2. No government entities, public or private agencies or organizations in the state shall use the title "social worker" or any form of the title for volunteer or employment positions or within contracts for services, documents, manuals, or reference material effective January 1, 2004, unless the volunteers or employees in those positions meet the criteria set forth in subdivision [(8)] (17) of section 337.600 or subsection 1 of this section.
 - 337.612. 1. Applications for licensure as a clinical social worker, baccalaureate social worker, advanced macro social worker or master social worker shall be in writing, submitted to the committee on forms prescribed by the committee and furnished to the applicant. The application shall contain the applicant's statements showing the applicant's education, experience, and such other information as the committee may require. Each application shall contain a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that the information contained therein is true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the applicant, subject to the penalties provided for the making of a false affidavit or declaration. Each application shall be accompanied by the fees required by the committee.
 - 2. The committee shall mail a renewal notice to the last known address of each licensee prior to the licensure renewal date. Failure to provide the committee with the information required for licensure, or to pay the licensure fee after such notice shall effect a revocation of the license after a period of sixty days from the licensure renewal date. The license shall be restored if, within two years of the licensure date, the applicant provides written application and the payment of the licensure fee and a delinquency fee.
 - 3. A new certificate to replace any certificate lost, destroyed or mutilated may be issued subject to the rules of the committee, upon payment of a fee.

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- 18 4. The committee shall set the amount of the fees which sections 337.600 to [337.639] 19 337.689 authorize and require by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to section 536.021, 20 RSMo. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed 21 the cost and expense of administering the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689**. All fees provided for in sections 337.600 to [337.639] 337.689 shall be collected by the director 22 23 who shall deposit the same with the state treasurer in a fund to be known as the "Clinical Social 24 Workers Fund". After August 28, 2007, the "Clinical Social Workers Fund" shall be called the "Licensed Social Workers Fund" and after such date all references in state law to the 25 "Clinical Social Workers Fund" shall be considered references to the "Licensed Social 26 27 Workers Fund".
 - 5. The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the amount of the appropriations from the clinical social workers fund for the preceding fiscal year or, if the committee requires by rule renewal less frequently than yearly, then three times the appropriation from the committee's fund for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the clinical social workers fund for the preceding fiscal year.
 - 337.615. 1. Each applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:
 - (1) The applicant has a master's degree from a college or university program of social work accredited by the council of social work education or a doctorate degree from a school of social work acceptable to the committee;
 - (2) The applicant has completed three thousand hours of supervised clinical experience with a [licensed clinical social worker acceptable to the committee, as defined by rule,] "qualified clinical supervisor", as defined in section 337.600, in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months;
 - (3) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be promulgated by rule of the committee;
 - (4) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is of good moral character, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been convicted of a felony during the ten years immediately prior to application for licensure.
- 2. Any person holding a current license, certificate of registration, or permit from another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia to practice clinical social work who has had no disciplinary action taken against the license, certificate of registration, or permit

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for the preceding five years may be granted a license to practice clinical social work in this state 20 if the person meets one of the following criteria:

- (1) Has received a masters or doctoral degree from a college or university program of social work accredited by the council of social work education and has been licensed to practice clinical social work for the preceding five years; or
- (2) Is currently licensed or certified as a clinical social worker in another state, territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia having substantially the same requirements as this state for clinical social workers.
- 3. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 1 of this section or with the provisions of subsection 2 of this section. The committee shall issue a provisional clinical social worker license to any applicant who meets all requirements of subdivisions (1), (3) and (4) of subsection 1 of this 33 section, but who has not completed the twenty-four months of supervised clinical experience required by subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of this section, and such applicant may reapply for licensure as a clinical social worker upon completion of the twenty-four months of supervised clinical experience.

337.618. Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] 337.689 shall expire on a renewal date established by the director. The term of licensure shall be twenty-four months. The committee shall require a minimum number of thirty clock hours 4 of continuing education for renewal of a license issued pursuant to sections 337.600 to [337.639] 5 337.689. The committee shall renew any license, other than a provisional license, upon application for a renewal, completion of the required continuing education hours and upon payment of the fee established by the committee pursuant to the provisions of section 337.612. 8 As provided by rule, the board may waive or extend the time requirements for completion of continuing education for reasons related to health, military service, foreign residency, or for other 10 good cause. All requests for waivers or extensions of time shall be made in writing and submitted to the board before the renewal date. 11

- 337.622. 1. There is hereby established the "State Committee for Social Workers", which shall guide, advise, and make recommendations to the division and fulfill other responsibilities designated by sections 337.600 to [337.649 and sections 337.650 to] 337.689. 4 The committee shall approve any examination required by sections 337.600 to [337.649 and 5 sections 337.650 to 337.689 and shall assist the division in carrying out the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.649 and sections 337.650 to] 337.689. 6 7
 - 2. The committee shall consist of [nine] ten members, including a public member appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Each member of the

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committee shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this state. The committee shall 10 consist of six licensed clinical social workers, [two] one licensed master social worker, one licensed baccalaureate social workers, one licensed advanced macro social worker, and one 11 12 voting public member. At least two committee members shall be involved in the private practice 13 of clinical social work. [Any person who is a member of any clinical social worker advisory 14 committee appointed by the director of the division of professional registration shall be eligible for appointment to the state committee for social work on August 28, 1997.] The governor shall 15 endeavor to appoint members from different geographic regions of the state and with regard to 16 the pattern of distribution of social workers in the state. The term of office for committee 17 18 members shall be four years and no committee member shall serve more than ten years. [Of the 19 members first appointed, the governor shall appoint three members, one of whom shall be the 20 public member, whose terms shall be four years; three members whose terms shall be three 21 years; two members whose terms shall be two years; and one member whose term shall be one year.] The president of the National Association of Social Workers Missouri Chapter in office 22 23 at the time shall, at least ninety days prior to the expiration of a term of a member of a clinical 24 social worker, master social worker, advanced macro social worker, or baccalaureate social 25 worker committee member or as soon as feasible after a vacancy on the committee otherwise 26 occurs, submit to the director of the division of professional registration a list of five [clinical] 27 social workers qualified [or five baccalaureate social workers] and willing to fill the vacancy in 28 question, with the request and recommendation that the governor appoint one of the five persons 29 in each category so listed, and with the list so submitted, the president of the National 30 Association of Social Workers Missouri Chapter shall include in his or her letter of transmittal 31 a description of the method by which the names were chosen by that association. 32

- 3. A vacancy in the office of a member shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any appointed member of the committee shall receive as compensation an amount established by the director of the division of professional registration not to exceed seventy dollars per day for committee business plus each member of the committee shall be reimbursed for necessary and actual expenses incurred in the performance of the member's official duties. The director of the division of professional registration shall establish by rule guidelines for payment. All staff for the committee shall be provided by the division.
- 5. The committee shall hold an annual meeting at which it shall elect from its membership a chairperson and a secretary. The committee may hold such additional meetings as may be required in the performance of its duties, provided that notice of every meeting must be given to each member at least three days prior to the date of the meeting. A quorum of the board shall consist of a majority of its members.

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- 46 6. The governor may remove a committee member for misconduct, incompetency or 47 neglect of the member's official duties after giving the committee member written notice of the 48 charges against such member and an opportunity to be heard thereon.
- 7. The public member shall be at the time of such member's appointment a citizen of the 50 United States; a resident of this state for a period of one year and a registered voter; a person who is not and never was a member of any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 52 337.600 to [337.649 or sections 337.650 to] 337.689, or the spouse of such person; and a person 53 who does not have and never has had a material, financial interest in either the providing of the professional services regulated by sections 337.600 to [337.649 or sections 337.650 to] 337.689, 54 or an activity or organization directly related to any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to 56 sections 337.600 to [337.649] **337.689**. The duties of the public member shall not include the determination of the technical requirements to be met for licensure or whether any person meets such technical requirements or of the technical competence or technical judgment of a licensee or a candidate for licensure.
 - 337.627. 1. The committee shall promulgate rules and regulations pertaining to:
- 2 (1) The form and content of license applications required by the provisions of sections 3 337.600 to [337.639] 337.689 and the procedures for filing an application for an initial or renewal license in this state; 4
 - (2) Fees required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689**;
 - (3) The characteristics of "supervised clinical experience" [as that term is used in section 337.615], "supervised master experience", "supervised advanced macro experience", and "supervised baccalaureate experience";
 - (4) The standards and methods to be used in assessing competency as a licensed clinical social worker, licensed master social worker, licensed advanced macro social worker, and licensed baccalaureate social worker, including the requirement for continuing education hours:
 - (5) Establishment and promulgation of procedures for investigating, hearing and determining grievances and violations occurring pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689**;
 - (6) Development of an appeal procedure for the review of decisions and rules of administrative agencies existing pursuant to the constitution or laws of this state;
- 18 (7) Establishment of a policy and procedure for reciprocity with other states, including 19 states which do not have clinical, master, advanced macro, or baccalaureate social worker 20 licensing laws or states whose licensing laws are not substantially the same as those of this state; 21 and
 - (8) Any other policies or procedures necessary to the fulfillment of the requirements of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689**.

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- 2. [No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of sections 337.600 to 337.639 shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of section 536.024, RSMo.] Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become 28 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are 30 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2007, shall be invalid and void.
- 337.630. 1. The committee may refuse to issue or renew any license required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] 337.689 for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The committee shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall advise the applicant of the applicant's right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo. 5
 - 2. The committee may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any license required by sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689** or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered the person's license for any one or any combination of the following causes:
 - (1) Use of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, RSMo, or alcoholic beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to engage in the occupation of [clinical] social work licensed under this chapter; except that the fact that a person has undergone treatment for past substance or alcohol abuse and/or has participated in a recovery program, shall not by itself be cause for refusal to issue or renew a license;
 - (2) The person has been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution pursuant to the laws of any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a [clinical] social worker licensed under this chapter; for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence; or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;
 - (3) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689** or in obtaining permission to take any examination given or required pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689**;
- 25 (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other compensation by 26 fraud, deception or misrepresentation;

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- 27 (5) Incompetency, misconduct, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty in the performance 28 of the functions or duties of a [clinical] social worker licensed pursuant to this chapter;
- 29 (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689**, or of any lawful rule or regulation adopted pursuant to sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689**;
- 32 (7) Impersonation of any person holding a license or allowing any person to use the person's license or diploma from any school;
 - (8) Revocation or suspension of a license or other right to practice [clinical] social work licensed pursuant to this chapter granted by another state, territory, federal agency or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;
 - (9) Final adjudication as incapacitated by a court of competent jurisdiction;
 - (10) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice [clinical] social work licensed pursuant to this chapter who is not licensed and currently eligible to practice pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689**;
 - (11) Obtaining a license based upon a material mistake of fact;
- 42 (12) Failure to display a valid license if so required by sections 337.600 to [337.639] 43 **337.689** or any rule promulgated hereunder;
 - (13) Violation of any professional trust or confidence;
 - (14) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which is false, misleading or deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed;
 - (15) Being guilty of unethical conduct as defined in the ethical standards for clinical social workers adopted by the committee by rule and filed with the secretary of state.
 - 3. Any person, organization, association or corporation who reports or provides information to the committee pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689** and who does so in good faith shall not be subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.
 - 4. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of this section, for disciplinary action are met, the committee may censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on such terms and conditions as the committee deems appropriate for a period not to exceed five years, or may suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, or revoke the license.

337.636. Persons licensed under the provisions of sections 337.600 to [337.639] **337.689** may not disclose any information acquired from persons consulting them in their professional capacity, or be compelled to disclose such information except:

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- 4 (1) With the written consent of the client, or in the case of the client's death or disability, the client's personal representative or other person authorized to sue, or the beneficiary of an insurance policy on the client's life, health or physical condition;
 - (2) When such information pertains to a criminal act;
- 8 (3) When the person is a child under the age of eighteen years and the information 9 acquired by the licensee indicated that the child was the victim of a crime;
 - (4) When the person waives the privilege by bringing charges against the licensee;
- (5) When the licensee is called upon to testify in any court or administrative hearings 11 12 concerning matters of adoption, adult abuse, child abuse, child neglect, or other matters 13 pertaining to the welfare of clients of the licensee; or
- 14 (6) When the licensee is collaborating or consulting with professional colleagues or an 15 administrative superior on behalf of the client.
- 337.643. 1. No person shall use the title of licensed master social worker and engage in the practice of master social work in this state unless the person is licensed as required 3 by the provisions of this section and section 337.644.
- 2. A licensed master social worker shall be deemed qualified to practice the 5 applications of social work theory, knowledge, methods and ethics and the professional use of self to restore or enhance social, psychosocial, or bio-psychosocial functioning of individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, and communities. Master social work practice includes the applications of specialized knowledge and advanced practice skills in the management, information and referral, counseling, supervision, consultation, 10 education, research, advocacy, community organization, and the development, 11 implementation, and administration of policies, programs, and activities. supervision as provided in sections 337.600 to 337.689, the practice of master social work may include the practices reserved to clinical social workers or advanced macro social 13 14 workers.
 - 337.644. 1. Each applicant for licensure as a master social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:
 - (1) The applicant has a master's or doctorate degree in social work from an accredited social work degree program approved by the council of social work education;
 - (2) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an The eligibility requirements for such examination approved by the committee. examination shall be determined by the state committee for social workers;
 - (3) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is of good moral character, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been convicted of a felony during the ten years immediately prior to application for licensure;

- 11 (4) The applicant has submitted a written application on forms prescribed by the 12 state board;
- 13 (5) The applicant has submitted the required licensing fee, as determined by the committee.
 - 2. Any applicant who answers in the affirmative to any question on the application that relates to possible grounds for denial of licensure under section 337.630 shall submit a sworn affidavit setting forth in detail the facts which explain such answer and copies of appropriate documents related to such answer.
 - 3. Any person holding a valid unrevoked and unexpired license, certificate, or registration from another state or territory of the United States having substantially the same requirements as this state for master social workers may be granted a license to engage in the person's occupation in this state upon application to the committee accompanied by the appropriate fee as established by the committee under section 337.612.
 - 4. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subsection 1 of this section or with the provisions of subsection 3 of this section. The license shall refer to the individual as a licensed master social worker and shall recognize that individual's right to practice licensed master social work as defined in section 337.600.
 - 337.645. 1. Each applicant for licensure as an advanced macro social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:
 - (1) The applicant has a master's degree from a college or university program of social work accredited by the council of social work education or a doctorate degree from a school of social work acceptable to the committee;
 - (2) The applicant has completed three thousand hours of supervised advanced macro experience with a "qualified advanced macro supervisor" as defined in section 337.600 in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months;
 - (3) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be promulgated by rule of the committee;
 - (4) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is of good moral character, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been convicted of a felony during the ten years immediately prior to application for licensure.
 - 2. Any person holding a current license, certificate of registration, or permit from another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia to practice advanced macro social work who has had no disciplinary action taken against the license,

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- certificate of registration, or permit for the preceding five years may be granted a license 20 to practice advanced macro social work in this state if the person meets one of the following 21 criteria:
 - (1) Has received a master's or doctoral degree from a college or university program of social work accredited by the council of social work education and has been licensed to practice advanced macro social work for the preceding five years; or
 - (2) Is currently licensed or certified as an advanced macro social worker in another state, territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia having substantially the same requirements as this state for advanced macro social workers.
- 3. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 1 of this section or with the provisions of subsection 2 32 of this section.
 - 337.646. 1. No person shall use the title of licensed advanced macro social worker and engage in the practice of advanced macro social work in this state unless the person is licensed as required by the provisions of section 337.645.
 - 337.653. 1. No person shall use the title of "licensed baccalaureate social worker" [or "provisional licensed baccalaureate social worker"] and engage in the practice of baccalaureate social work in this state unless the person is licensed as required by the provisions of sections [337.650] **337.600** to 337.689.
- 5 2. A licensed baccalaureate social worker shall be deemed qualified to practice the 6 following:
 - (1) Engage in assessment and evaluation from a generalist perspective, excluding the diagnosis and treatment of mental illness and emotional disorders;
- 9 (2) Conduct basic data gathering of records and social problems of individuals, groups, families and communities, assess such data, and formulate and implement a plan to achieve 10 specific goals; 11
- 12 (3) Serve as an advocate for clients, families, groups or communities for the purpose of achieving specific goals; 13
- 14 (4) Counsel, excluding psychotherapy; however, counseling shall be defined as providing 15 support, direction, and guidance to clients by assisting them in successfully solving complex 16 social problems;
 - (5) Perform crisis intervention, screening and resolution, excluding the use of psychotherapeutic techniques;
- 19 (6) Be a community supporter, organizer, planner or administrator for a social service 20 program;

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- 21 (7) Conduct crisis planning ranging from disaster relief planning for communities to 22 helping individuals prepare for the death or disability of family members;
 - (8) Inform and refer clients to other professional services;
 - (9) Perform case management and outreach, including but not limited to planning, managing, directing or coordinating social services; and
 - (10) Engage in the training and education of social work students from an accredited institution and supervise other licensed baccalaureate social workers.
 - 3. [A] If the licensed baccalaureate social worker has completed three thousand hours of supervised baccalaureate experience with a qualified baccalaureate supervisor in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months, the licensed baccalaureate social worker may engage in the independent practice of baccalaureate social work as defined in [subdivision (6) of] section [337.650] 337.600 and subdivisions (1) to (10) of subsection 2 of this section. Upon demonstrating the successful completion of supervised experience, the state committee for social workers shall provide the licensee with a certificate clearly stating the individual's qualification to practice independently with the words "independent practice" or "IP" next to his or her licensure.
 - 337.665. 1. Each applicant for licensure as a baccalaureate social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:
 - (1) The applicant has a baccalaureate degree in social work from an accredited social work degree program approved by the council of social work education;
 - (2) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be determined by the state committee for social work;
 - (3) [The applicant has completed three thousand hours of supervised baccalaureate experience with a licensed clinical social worker or licensed baccalaureate social worker in no less than twenty-four and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months;
- (4)] The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is of good moral character, is a United 12 States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been convicted of a felony during the ten years immediately prior to application for licensure;
 - [(5)] (4) The applicant has submitted a written application on forms prescribed by the state board:
- 16 [(6)] (5) The applicant has submitted the required licensing fee, as determined by the 17 [division] committee.
- 2. Any applicant who answers in the affirmative to any question on the application that relates to possible grounds for denial of licensure pursuant to section [337.680] 337.630 shall 19 20 submit a sworn affidavit setting forth in detail the facts which explain such answer and copies of appropriate documents related to such answer.

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- 3. Any person holding a valid unrevoked and unexpired license, certificate or registration from another state or territory of the United States having substantially the same requirements as this state for baccalaureate social workers may be granted a license to engage in the person's occupation in this state upon application to the committee accompanied by the appropriate fee as established by the committee pursuant to section [337.662] **337.612**.
- 4. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections [337.650] **337.600** to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subsection 1 of this section or with the provisions of subsection 2 of this section. [The committee shall issue a one-time provisional baccalaureate social worker license to any applicant who meets all requirements of subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (5) and (6) of subsection 1 of this section, but who has not completed the supervised baccalaureate experience required by subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of this section, and such applicant may apply for licensure as a baccalaureate social worker upon completion of the supervised baccalaureate experience.]
- 5. The committee shall issue a certificate to practice independently under subsection 3 of section 337.653 to any licensed baccalaureate social worker who has satisfactorily completed three thousand hours of supervised experience with a qualified baccalaureate supervisor in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months.

337.689. Nothing in sections [337.650] **337.600** to 337.689 shall be construed to prohibit any person licensed pursuant to the provisions of sections [337.650] **337.600** to 337.689 from testifying in court hearings concerning matters of adoption, adult abuse, child abuse, child neglect, or other matters pertaining to the welfare of children or any dependent person, or from seeking collaboration or consultation with professional colleagues or administrative supervisors on behalf of the client.

337.700. As used in sections 337.700 to 337.739, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Committee", the state committee for family and marital therapists;
 - (2) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;
 - (3) "Director", the director of the division of professional registration in the department of economic development;
 - (4) "Division", the division of professional registration;
- 7 (5) "Fund", the marital and family therapists' fund created in section 337.712;
- 8 (6) "Licensed marital and family therapist", a person to whom a license has been issued 9 pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.700 to 337.739, whose license is in force and not 10 suspended or revoked;
- 11 (7) "Marital and family therapy", the use of scientific and applied marriage and family 12 theories, methods and procedures for the purpose of describing, **diagnosing**, evaluating and

modifying marital, family and individual behavior within the context of marital and family systems, including the context of marital formation and dissolution. Marriage and family therapy is based on systems theories, marriage and family development, normal and dysfunctional behavior, human sexuality and psychotherapeutic, marital and family therapy theories and techniques and includes the use of marriage and family therapy theories and techniques in the diagnosis, evaluation, assessment and treatment of intrapersonal or interpersonal dysfunctions within the context of marriage and family systems. Marriage and family therapy may also include clinical research into more effective methods for the treatment and prevention of the above-named conditions:

- (8) "Practice of marital and family therapy", the rendering of professional marital and family therapy services to individuals, family groups and marital pairs, singly or in groups, whether such services are offered directly to the general public or through organizations, either public or private, for a fee, monetary or otherwise.
- 337.715. 1. Each applicant for licensure as a marital and family therapist shall furnish evidence to the division that:
- (1) The applicant has a master's degree or a doctoral degree in marital and family therapy, or its equivalent, from an acceptable educational institution accredited by a regional accrediting body or accredited by an accrediting body which has been approved by the United States Department of Education;
- (2) The applicant has twenty-four months of postgraduate supervised clinical experience acceptable to the division, as the division determines by rule;
- (3) After August 28, 2008, the applicant shall have completed a minimum of three semester hours of graduate level course work in diagnostic systems either within the curriculum leading to a degree as defined in subdivision (1) of this subsection or as post master's graduate level course work. Each applicant shall demonstrate supervision of diagnosis as a core component of the postgraduate supervised clinical experience as defined in subdivision (2) of this subsection;
- (4) Upon examination, the applicant is possessed of requisite knowledge of the profession, including techniques and applications research and its interpretation and professional affairs and ethics;
- [(4)] (5) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is of good moral character, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been convicted of a felony during the ten years immediately prior to application for licensure.
- 2. [A licensed marriage and family therapist who has had no violations and no suspensions and no revocation of a license to practice marriage and family therapy in any jurisdiction may receive a license in Missouri provided said marriage and family therapist passes

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- a written examination on Missouri laws and regulations governing the practice of professional 25 counseling as defined in section 337.700, and meets one of the following criteria:
 - (1) Is a member in good standing and holds a certification from the Academy of Marriage and Family Therapists;
- 28 (2) Is currently licensed or certified as a licensed marriage and family therapist in another 29 state, territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia; and
- 30 (a) Meets the educational standards set forth in subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of this 31 section:
 - (b) Has been licensed for the preceding five years; and
- 33 (c) Has had no disciplinary action taken against the license for the preceding five years; 34 or
 - (3) Is currently licensed or certified as a marriage and family therapist in another state, territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia that extends like privileges for reciprocal licensing or certification to persons licensed by this state with similar qualifications.] Any person otherwise qualified for licensure holding a current license, certificate of registration, or permit from another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia to practice marriage and family therapy may be granted a license without examination to engage in the practice of marital and family therapy in this state upon application to the state committee, payment of the required fee as established by the state committee, and satisfaction of the following:
 - (1) Determination by the state committee that the requirements of the other state or territory are substantially the same as Missouri;
 - (2) Verification by the applicant's licensing entity that the applicant has a current license; and
 - (3) Consent by the applicant to examination of any disciplinary history in any state.
 - 3. The [division] state committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.700 to 337.739[, and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the division that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 1 of this section or with the provisions of subsection 2 of this section.]
 - 337.718. 1. Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.700 to 337.739 shall expire on a renewal date established by the director. The term of licensure shall be twenty-four months; however, the director may establish a shorter term for the first licenses issued pursuant to sections 337.700 to 337.739. The division shall renew any license upon application for a renewal and upon payment of the fee established by the division pursuant to the
- provisions of section 337.712. Effective August 28, 2008, as a prerequisite for renewal, each
- licensee shall furnish to the committee satisfactory evidence of the completion of the

- 8 requisite number of hours of continuing education as defined by rule, which shall be no 9 more than forty contact hours biennially. The continuing education requirements may be 10 waived by the committee upon presentation to the committee of satisfactory evidence of 11 illness or for other good cause.
- 2. The division may issue temporary permits to practice under extenuating circumstances as determined by the division and defined by rule.
- 338.220. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, copartnership, association, corporation or any other business entity to open, establish, operate, or maintain any pharmacy as defined by statute without first obtaining a permit or license to do so from the Missouri board of pharmacy. The following classes of pharmacy permits or licenses are hereby established:
- 5 (1) Class A: Community/ambulatory;
- 6 (2) Class B: Hospital outpatient pharmacy;
- 7 (3) Class C: Long-term care;
- 8 (4) Class D: Nonsterile compounding;
- 9 (5) Class E: Radio pharmaceutical;
- 10 (6) Class F: Renal dialysis;
- 11 (7) Class G: Medical gas;
- 12 (8) Class H: Sterile product compounding;
- 13 (9) Class I: Consultant services;
- 14 (10) Class J: Shared service;
- 15 (11) Class K: Internet;

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- 16 (12) Class L: Veterinary.
- 2. Application for such permit or license shall be made upon a form furnished to the applicant; shall contain a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that its representations are true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing same, subject to the penalties of making a false affidavit or declaration; and shall be accompanied by a permit or license fee. The permit or license issued shall be renewable upon payment of a renewal fee. Separate applications shall be made and separate permits or licenses required for each pharmacy opened, established, operated, or maintained by the same owner.
 - 3. All permits, licenses or renewal fees collected pursuant to the provisions of sections 338.210 to 338.370 shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the Missouri board of pharmacy fund, to be used by the Missouri board of pharmacy in the enforcement of the provisions of sections 338.210 to 338.370, when appropriated for that purpose by the general assembly.
 - 4. Class L: Veterinary permit shall not be construed to prohibit or interfere with any legally registered practitioner of veterinary medicine in the compounding or dispensing of their own prescriptions.

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5. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the provisions of this section shall not apply to the sale, dispensing, or filling of a pharmaceutical product or drug used for treating animals.

339.100. 1. The commission may, upon its own motion, and shall upon receipt of a written complaint filed by any person, investigate any real estate-related activity of a licensee licensed under sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860 or an individual or entity acting as or representing themselves as a real estate licensee. In conducting such 5 investigation, if the questioned activity or written complaint involves an affiliated licensee, the commission may forward a copy of the information received to the affiliated licensee's 7 designated broker. The commission shall have the power to hold an investigatory hearing to determine whether there is a probability of a violation of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860. The commission shall have the power to issue a subpoena to 10 compel the production of records and papers bearing on the complaint. The commission shall have the power to issue a subpoena and to compel any person in this state to come before the commission to offer testimony or any material specified in the subpoena. Subpoenas and 12 13 subpoenas duces tecum issued pursuant to this section shall be served in the same manner as 14 subpoenas in a criminal case. The fees and mileage of witnesses shall be the same as that 15 allowed in the circuit court in civil cases.

- 2. The commission may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo, against any person or entity licensed under this chapter or any licensee who has failed to renew or has surrendered his or her individual or entity license for any one or any combination of the following acts:
- (1) Failure to maintain and deposit in a special account, separate and apart from his or her personal or other business accounts, all moneys belonging to others entrusted to him or her while acting as a real estate broker or as the temporary custodian of the funds of others, until the transaction involved is consummated or terminated, unless all parties having an interest in the funds have agreed otherwise in writing;
- (2) Making substantial misrepresentations or false promises or suppression, concealment or omission of material facts in the conduct of his or her business or pursuing a flagrant and continued course of misrepresentation through agents, salespersons, advertising or otherwise in any transaction;
- (3) Failing within a reasonable time to account for or to remit any moneys, valuable documents or other property, coming into his or her possession, which belongs to others;
- (4) Representing to any lender, guaranteeing agency, or any other interested party, either verbally or through the preparation of false documents, an amount in excess of the true and actual sale price of the real estate or terms differing from those actually agreed upon;

- (5) Failure to timely deliver a duplicate original of any and all instruments to any party or parties executing the same where the instruments have been prepared by the licensee or under his or her supervision or are within his or her control, including, but not limited to, the instruments relating to the employment of the licensee or to any matter pertaining to the consummation of a lease, listing agreement or the purchase, sale, exchange or lease of property, or any type of real estate transaction in which he or she may participate as a licensee;
- (6) Acting for more than one party in a transaction without the knowledge of all parties for whom he or she acts, or accepting a commission or valuable consideration for services from more than one party in a real estate transaction without the knowledge of all parties to the transaction:
- (7) Paying a commission or valuable consideration to any person for acts or services performed in violation of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860;
- (8) Guaranteeing or having authorized or permitted any licensee to guarantee future profits which may result from the resale of real property;
- (9) Having been finally adjudicated and been found guilty of the violation of any state or federal statute which governs the sale or rental of real property or the conduct of the real estate business as defined in subsection 1 of section 339.010;
- (10) Obtaining a certificate or registration of authority, permit or license for himself or herself or anyone else by false or fraudulent representation, fraud or deceit;
- (11) Representing a real estate broker other than the broker with whom associated without the express written consent of the broker with whom associated;
- (12) Accepting a commission or valuable consideration for the performance of any of the acts referred to in section 339.010 from any person except the broker with whom associated at the time the commission or valuable consideration was earned;
- (13) Using prizes, money, gifts or other valuable consideration as inducement to secure customers or clients to purchase, lease, sell or list property when the awarding of such prizes, money, gifts or other valuable consideration is conditioned upon the purchase, lease, sale or listing; or soliciting, selling or offering for sale real property by offering free lots, or conducting lotteries or contests, or offering prizes for the purpose of influencing a purchaser or prospective purchaser of real property;
- (14) Placing a sign on or advertising any property offering it for sale or rent without the written consent of the owner or his or her duly authorized agent;
- (15) Violation of, or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860, or of any lawful rule adopted pursuant to sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860;

- 70 (16) Committing any act which would otherwise be grounds for the commission to refuse to issue a license under section 339.040;
 - (17) Failure to timely inform seller of all written offers unless otherwise instructed in writing by the seller;
 - (18) Been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of this state or any other state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated under this chapter, for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;
 - (19) Any other conduct which constitutes untrustworthy, improper or fraudulent business dealings, demonstrates bad faith or incompetence, misconduct, or gross negligence;
 - (20) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any profession regulated under sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860 granted by another state, territory, federal agency, or country upon grounds for which revocation, suspension, or probation is authorized in this state;
 - (21) Been found by a court of competent jurisdiction of having used any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, RSMo, to the extent that such use impairs a person's ability to perform the work of any profession licensed or regulated by sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860;
 - (22) Been finally adjudged insane or incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction;
 - (23) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any profession licensed or regulated under sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860 who is not registered and currently eligible to practice under sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860;
 - (24) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which is knowingly false, misleading or deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed.
 - 3. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of law relating to the administrative hearing commission. A finding of the administrative hearing commissioner that the licensee has performed or attempted to perform one or more of the foregoing acts shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of his license by the commission, or the placing of the licensee on probation on such terms and conditions as the real estate commission shall deem appropriate, or the imposition of a civil penalty by the commission not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars for each offense. Each day of a continued violation shall constitute a separate offense.

- 4. The commission may prepare a digest of the decisions of the administrative hearing commission which concern complaints against licensed brokers or salespersons and cause such digests to be mailed to all licensees periodically. Such digests may also contain reports as to new or changed rules adopted by the commission and other information of significance to licensees.
- 5. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, a broker or salesperson's license shall be revoked, or in the case of an applicant, shall not be issued, if the licensee or applicant has pleaded guilty to, entered a plea of nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of any of the following offenses or offenses of a similar nature established under the laws of this, any other state, the United States, or any other country, notwithstanding whether sentence is imposed:
- (1) Any dangerous felony as defined under section 556.061, RSMo, or murder in the first degree;
- (2) Any of the following sexual offenses: rape, statutory rape in the first degree, statutory rape in the second degree, sexual assault, forcible sodomy, statutory sodomy in the first degree, statutory sodomy in the second degree, child molestation in the first degree, child molestation in the second degree, deviate sexual assault, sexual misconduct involving a child, sexual misconduct in the first degree, sexual abuse, enticement of a child, or attempting to entice a child;
- (3) Any of the following offenses against the family and related offenses: incest, abandonment of a child in the first degree, abandonment of a child in the second degree, endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree, abuse of a child, using a child in a sexual performance, promoting sexual performance by a child, or trafficking in children; and
- (4) Any of the following offenses involving child pornography and related offenses: promoting obscenity in the first degree, promoting obscenity in the second degree when the penalty is enhanced to a class D felony, promoting child pornography in the first degree, promoting child pornography in the second degree, possession of child pornography in the first degree, possession of child pornography in the second degree, furnishing child pornography to a minor, furnishing pornographic materials to minors, or coercing acceptance of obscene material.
- 6. A person whose license was revoked under subsection 5 of this section may appeal such revocation to the administrative hearing commission. Notice of such appeal must be received by the administrative hearing commission within ninety days of mailing, by certified mail, the notice of revocation. Failure of a person whose license was revoked to notify the administrative hearing commission of his or her intent to appeal waives all rights to appeal the revocation. Upon notice of such person's intent to appeal, a hearing shall be held before the administrative hearing [commissioner] commission.
- 339.200. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person not holding the required license from the commission to perform any act for which a license is required by sections 339.010

to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860. The commission may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission, as provided in chapter 621, RSMo, against any unlicensed person who:

- (1) Engages in or offers to perform any act for which a license is required by sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860; or
- (2) Uses or employs titles defined and protected by this chapter, or implies authorization to provide or offer professional services, or otherwise uses or advertises any title, word, figure, sign, card, advertisement, or other symbol or description tending to convey the impression that the person holds any license required by sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860.
- 2. When reviewing complaints against unlicensed persons, the commission may initiate an investigation and take all measures necessary to find the facts of any potential violation, including issuing subpoenas to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the disclosure of evidence.
- 3. If the commission files a complaint with the administrative hearing commission, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that the grounds provided in subsection 1 of this section for action are met, the commission may, either singularly or in combination with other provisions of this chapter, impose a civil penalty against the person named in the complaint in an amount not to exceed the limit authorized by section 339.205.
- 339.205. 1. In actions against unlicensed persons or disciplinary actions against licensed persons, the commission may issue an order imposing a civil penalty. Such penalty shall not be imposed until the findings of facts and conclusions of law by the administrative hearing commission have been delivered to the commission in accordance with section 621.110, RSMo. Further, no civil penalty shall be assessed until a formal meeting and vote by the board has been taken to impose such a penalty.
- 2. Any civil penalty imposed by the commission shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars for each offense. Each day of a continued violation constitutes a separate offense, with a maximum penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars. In determining the amount of penalty to be imposed, the commission may consider any of the following:
 - (1) Whether the amount imposed will be a substantial deterrent to the violation;
- 12 (2) The circumstances leading to the violation;
 - (3) The severity of the violation and the risk of harm to the public;
- 14 (4) The economic benefits gained by the violator as a result of noncompliance; and
- **(5)** The interest of the public.

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- 3. Any final order imposing a civil penalty is subject to judicial review upon the filing of a petition under section 536.100, RSMo, by any person subject to the penalty.
- 18 4. Payment of a civil penalty shall be made within sixty days of filing the order, or 19 if the order is stayed pending an appeal, within ten days after the court enters a final 20 judgment in favor of the commission. If the penalty is not timely paid, the commission 21 shall notify the attorney general. The attorney general may commence an action to recover the amount of the penalty, including reasonable attorney fees and costs and a surcharge 22 23 of fifteen percent of the penalty plus ten percent per annum on any amounts owed. In such action, the validity and appropriateness of the final order imposing the civil penalty shall 24 25 not be subject to review.
- 5. An action to enforce an order under this section may be joined with an action for an injunction.
 - 6. Any offer of settlement to resolve a civil penalty under this section shall be in writing, state that an action for imposition of a civil penalty may be initiated by the attorney general representing the commission under this section, and identify any dollar amount as an offer of settlement, which shall be negotiated in good faith through conference, conciliation, and persuasion.
 - 7. Failure to pay a civil penalty by any person licensed under this chapter shall be grounds for denying, disciplining or refusing to renew or reinstate a license or certificate of authority.
 - 8. Penalties collected under this section shall be handled in accordance with section 7 of article IX of the Missouri Constitution. Such penalties shall not be considered a charitable contribution for tax purposes.
 - 339.513. 1. Applications for examination, original certification and licensure, and renewal certification and licensure shall be made in writing to the commission on forms provided by the commission. The application shall specify the classification of certification, or licensure, for which application is being made.
- 5 Appropriate fees shall accompany all applications for examination, original certification or licensure, and renewal certification or licensure; provided that such fees shall be in amounts set by the commission in order to offset the cost and expense of administering 8 sections 339.500 to 339.549, and in amounts to be determined by the commission with reference to the requirements of Section 1109 of the United States Public Law 101-73, as later codified and 9 as may be amended. All fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be collected by the 10 11 commission and deposited with the state treasurer into a fund to be known as the "Missouri Real Estate Appraisers Fund". [The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, relating to the transfer of 12 unexpended balances to the general revenue fund shall not apply to the Missouri real estate 13 appraisers fund.] The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding,

money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until
the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the amount of the
appropriation from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year or, if the board requires
by rule permit renewal less frequently than yearly, then three times the appropriation from
the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall
lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the
appropriations from the board's funds for the preceding fiscal year.

3. At the time of filing an application for certification or licensure, each applicant shall sign a pledge to comply with the standards set forth in sections 339.500 to 339.549 and state that he or she understands the types of misconduct for which disciplinary proceedings may be initiated against a state-certified real estate appraiser or a state-licensed real estate appraiser. 344.020. No person shall act or serve in the capacity of a nursing home administrator without first procuring a license from the Missouri board of nursing home administrators as provided in sections 344.010 to [344.100] 344.108. The board may issue a separate license to administrators of assisted living facilities, as defined in section 198.006, RSMo. Any individual who receives a license to operate an assisted living facility is not thereby authorized to operate any intermediate care facility or skilled nursing facility as those terms are defined in section 198.006, RSMo.

344.030. 1. An applicant for an initial license shall file a completed application with the board on a form provided by the board, accompanied by an application fee [of one hundred dollars] as provided by rule payable to the [director of revenue] department of health and senior services. Information provided in the application [shall be given under oath subject to the penalties for making a false affidavit] attested by signature to be true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.

- 2. No initial license shall be issued to a person as a nursing home administrator unless:
- (1) The applicant provides the board satisfactory proof that the applicant is twenty-one years of age or over, of good moral character and a high school graduate or equivalent;
- (2) The applicant provides the board satisfactory proof that the applicant has had a minimum of three years' experience in health care administration or two years of postsecondary education in health care administration or has satisfactorily completed a course of instruction and training prescribed by the board, which includes instruction in the needs properly to be served by nursing homes, the protection of the interests of residents therein, and the elements of good nursing home administration, or has presented evidence satisfactory to the board of sufficient education, training, or experience in the foregoing fields to administer, supervise and manage a nursing home; and
- 18 (3) The applicant passes the [written examination] **examinations** administered by the board. If an applicant fails to make a passing grade on [the examination] **either of the**

examinations such applicant may make application for reexamination on a form furnished by the board and may be retested [at the next regularly scheduled examination]. If an applicant fails [the examination] either of the examinations a third time, the applicant shall be required to complete a course of instruction prescribed and approved by the board [before the applicant may reapply for examination]. After completion of the board-prescribed course of instruction, the applicant may reapply for examination. With regard to the national examination required for licensure, no examination scores from other states shall be recognized by the board after the applicant has failed his or her third attempt at the national examination. There shall be a separate, nonrefundable fee for each examination. The board shall set the amount of the fee for examination by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to section 536.021, RSMo. The fee shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering the examination.

- 3. The board may issue a license through reciprocity to any person who is regularly licensed as a nursing home administrator in any other state, territory, or the District of Columbia, if the regulations for securing such license are equivalent to those required in the state of Missouri. However, no license by reciprocity shall be issued until the applicant passes a special examination approved by the board, which will examine the applicant's knowledge of specific provisions of Missouri statutes and regulations pertaining to nursing homes. The applicant shall furnish satisfactory evidence that such applicant is of good moral character and has acted in the capacity of a nursing home administrator in such state, territory, or the District of Columbia, at least one year after the securing of the license. The board, in its discretion, may enter into written reciprocal agreements pursuant to this section with other states which have equivalent laws and regulations.
- 4. Nothing in sections 344.010 to [344.100] **344.108**, or the rules or regulations thereunder shall be construed to require an applicant for a license as a nursing home administrator, who is employed by an institution listed and certified by the Commission for Accreditation of Christian Science Nursing Organizations/Facilities, Inc., to administer institutions certified by such commission for the care and treatment of the sick in accordance with the creed or tenets of a recognized church or religious denomination, to demonstrate proficiency in any techniques or to meet any educational qualifications or standards not in accord with the remedial care and treatment provided in such institutions. The applicant's license shall be endorsed to confine the applicant's practice to such institutions.
- 5. The board may issue a temporary emergency license for a period not to exceed ninety days to a person twenty-one years of age or over, of good moral character and a high school graduate or equivalent to serve as an acting nursing home administrator, provided such person is replacing a licensed nursing home administrator who has died, has been removed or has vacated the nursing home administrator's position. No temporary emergency license may be

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issued to a person who has had a nursing home administrator's license denied, suspended or revoked. A temporary emergency license may be renewed for one additional ninety-day period 58 upon a showing that the person seeking the renewal of a temporary emergency license meets the 59 qualifications for licensure and has filed an application for a regular license, accompanied by the 60 application fee, and the [examination has not yet been given] applicant has taken the 61 62 examination or examinations but the results have not been received by the board. No 63 temporary emergency license may be renewed more than one time.

344.040. 1. Every license issued under this chapter shall expire on June thirtieth of the year following the year of issuance and every other year thereafter, provided that licenses issued or renewed during the year 2006 may be issued or renewed by the board for a period of either one or two years, as provided by rule. Licensees seeking renewal shall, during the month of May of the year of renewal, file an application for renewal on forms furnished by the board, which shall include evidence satisfactory to the board of completion of the approved continuing education hours required by the board, and shall be accompanied by a renewal fee as provided by rule payable to the department of health and senior services.

- 2. Upon receipt of an incomplete application for renewal, the board shall grant the applicant a temporary permit which shall be in effect for thirty days. The applicant is required to submit the required documentation or fee within the thirty-day period, or the board may refuse to renew his **or her** application. The thirty-day period can be extended for good cause shown for an additional thirty days. Upon receipt of the approved continuing education credits or other required documentation or fee within the appropriate time period, the board shall issue a license.
- 3. The board shall renew the license of an applicant who has met all of the requirements 16 for renewal.
 - 4. As a requirement for renewal of license, the board may require not more than forty-eight clock hours of continuing education a year. The continuing education provided for under this section shall be approved by the board. There shall be a separate, nonrefundable fee for each single offering provider. The board shall set the amount of fee for any single offering provided by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to section 536.021, RSMo. The fee shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the cost and expense in administering and reviewing any single offering.
 - 5. By April first of each year, the board shall mail an application for renewal of license to every person whose license shall be renewed during the current year. The applicant must submit such information as will enable the board to determine if the applicant's license should be renewed. Information provided in the application shall be [given under oath] attested by signature to be true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.
- 29 6. Any licensee who fails to apply to renew his **or her** license by June thirtieth of the 30 licensee's year of renewal may be relicensed by the board if he meets the requirements set forth

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by the board pursuant to sections 344.010 to [344.100] 344.108 and pays the renewal fee 32 required by rule, plus a penalty of twenty-five dollars. No action shall be taken by the board in 33 addition to a penalty of twenty-five dollars imposed by this section against any such licensee whose license has not expired for a period of more than two months, and who has had no action 34 in the preceding five years taken against them by the board, and who has met all other licensure 35 36 requirements by June thirtieth of the year of renewal; provided, however, that nothing in this 37 section shall prevent the board from taking any other disciplinary action against a licensee if 38 there shall exist a cause for discipline pursuant to section 344.050. A person whose license has 39 expired for a period of more than twelve months must meet the requirements set out in section 40 344.030 for initial licensure.

344.050. 1. The board may refuse to issue or renew any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required pursuant to this chapter for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The board shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall advise the applicant of his **or her** right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo. As an alternative to refusal to issue or renew any certificate, registration or authority, permit or license, the board may, at its discretion, issue a license which is subject to probation for any one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The board's order of probation shall contain a statement of the discipline imposed, the basis therefore, the date such action shall become effective, and a statement that the applicant has thirty days 10 to request in writing a hearing before the administrative hearing commission. If the board issues a probationary license to an applicant for licensure, the applicant may file a written petition with the administrative hearing commission within thirty days of the effective date of the probationary license seeking review of whether cause exists to discipline the licensee under subsection 2 of this section. If no written request for a hearing is received by the administrative hearing commission within the thirty-day period, the right to seek review of the board's decision shall be waived.

- 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required by this chapter or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered his **or her** certificate of registration or authority, permit or license for any one or any combination of the following causes:
- (1) Use or unlawful possession of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, RSMo, or alcoholic beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to perform the work of any profession licensed or regulated by this chapter;
- 26 (2) The person has been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty 27 or nolo contendere, pursuant to criminal prosecution under the laws of any state or of the United

- States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated under this chapter, for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;
 - (3) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license issued pursuant to this chapter or in obtaining permission to take any examination given or required pursuant to this chapter;
 - (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;
 - (5) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty in the performance of the functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated by this chapter;
 - (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of this chapter, or of any lawful rule or regulation adopted pursuant to this chapter;
 - (7) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of chapter 198, RSMo, or any lawful rule or regulation promulgated thereunder;
 - (8) Impersonation of any person holding a certificate of registration or authority, permit or license, or allowing any person to use [his] **such person's** certificate of registration or authority, permit, license or diploma from any school;
 - [(8)] (9) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any profession regulated by this chapter granted by another state, territory, federal agency or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;
 - [(9)] (10) A person is finally adjudged incapacitated or disabled by a court of competent jurisdiction;
 - [(10)] (11) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any profession licensed or regulated by this chapter who is not registered and currently eligible to practice under this chapter;
 - [(11)] (12) Issuance of a certificate of registration or authority, permit or license based upon a material mistake of fact;
 - [(12)] (13) Violation of the drug laws or rules and regulations of this state, any other state or the federal government;
- [(13)] (14) Knowingly failing to report abuse or neglect of a resident in a long-term care facility, as required by section 198.070, RSMo, of which he **or she** has actual knowledge that it is abuse or neglect;
 - (15) Violation of any professional trust or confidence;
- 63 (16) Having served as the administrator, operator, or any principal involved in the 64 operation of a facility licensed under chapter 198, RSMo, and during such time the facility

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- has had its license revoked under section 198.036, RSMo, has entered into a consent agreement to obtain a probationary license under subsection 5 of section 198.026, RSMo, has had a license denied under subsection 2 of section 198.022, RSMo, or has surrendered its license while under investigation.
 - 3. The administrative hearing commission shall have no authority to require issuance of a license, pending a final determination by the commission, in any case in which an applicant is seeking initial licensure.
 - 4. No license may be suspended or revoked and no application for renewal of a license may be denied under this section until the licensee has been afforded an opportunity for hearing after due notice as provided in sections 621.015 to 621.205, RSMo.
 - 5. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of this section, for disciplinary action are met, the board may, singly or in combination, [place upon probation,] censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on such terms as the board deems appropriate, or may suspend or revoke [a] the certificate [of registration or authority], permit or license. The board may exclude any application for up to five years for any person who has had his or her license revoked by the board or has surrendered his or her license to the board.
 - 344.060. 1. The director of the department of health and senior services shall appoint ten suitable persons who together with the director [of the division of aging] of the department of health and senior services **or the director's designee** shall constitute the "Missouri Board of Nursing Home Administrators" which is hereby created within the department of health and senior services and which shall have the functions, powers and duties prescribed by sections 344.010 to [344.100] **344.108**.
- 7 2. In addition to the director of the [division of aging] department of health and senior services or [his] the director's designee the membership of the board shall consist of one 8 licensed physician, two licensed health professionals, one person from the field of health care education, four persons who have been in general administrative charge of a licensed nursing 10 home for a period of at least five years immediately preceding their appointment, and two public 11 12 members. In addition to these qualifications, the physician, the two licensed health care 13 professionals, and the health care educator shall be citizens of the United States and 14 taxpaying residents of the state of Missouri for one year preceding their appointments. The four appointees who have been in general administrative charge of a licensed nursing 15 home shall be citizens of the United States and either residents of the state of Missouri for 16 17 one year preceding their appointments or persons who have been licensed by the board and whose five years of employment in a licensed nursing home immediately preceding their 18 19 appointment have occurred in the state of Missouri. The public members shall be citizens 20 of the United States, residents of the state of Missouri for one year preceding their

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- appointment, and registered voters. The public members shall be persons who are not, or never were, licensed nursing home administrators or the spouse of such persons, or persons who do not have or never have had a material, financial interest in either the providing of licensed nursing home services or in an activity or organization directly related to licensed nursing home administration. Neither the one licensed physician, the two licensed health professionals, nor the person from the health care education field shall have any financial interest in a licensed nursing home.
 - 3. The members of the board shall be appointed for three-year terms or until their successors are appointed and qualified provided that no more than four members' terms shall expire in the same year. All members appointed prior to September 28, 1979, shall serve the term for which they were appointed. The governor shall fill any vacancies on the board as necessary. Appointment to fill an unexpired term shall not be considered an appointment for a full term. Board membership, continued until successors are appointed and qualified, shall not constitute an extension of the three-year term and the successors shall serve only the remainder of the term.
 - 4. Every member shall receive a certificate of appointment; and every appointee, before entering upon his or her duties, shall take the oath of office required by article VII, section 11, of the Constitution of Missouri.
 - 5. Any member of the board may be removed by the director of the department of health and senior services for misconduct, incompetency or neglect to duty after first being given an opportunity to be heard in his **or her** own behalf.
 - 344.070. 1. The board shall annually elect one of its members as president, another as vice president, and another as secretary. It shall adopt an official seal. It shall file and preserve all written applications, petitions, complaints, charges or requests made or presented to it. It shall cause to be kept accurate records and minutes of its proceedings, and shall maintain a register of the names and addresses of all persons holding licenses as nursing home administrators. A copy of any entry in the register, or of any records or minutes of the board, certified by the president or secretary of the board under its seal, shall be received in evidence, to all intents and purposes as the original. The board may employ such part- or full-time clerical assistance, purchase such equipment and supplies, employ legal counsel, employ a part- or full-time investigator, and incur travel and other expense, within the limits of its appropriations.

2. The board shall adopt, amend and repeal rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of sections [344.030 to 344.100] **344.020 to 344.108**. Any rule or regulation under the authority of sections [344.030 to 344.100] **344.020 to 344.108** shall be promulgated in accordance with chapter 536, RSMo. The committee on administrative rules may file a complaint in accordance with the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, before the commission

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contesting the validity of any rule purportedly promulgated under the authority of sections 18 [344.030 to 344.100] **344.020 to 344.108**. On filing any complaint in accordance with this section, the administrative hearing commission shall immediately suspend that portion of the rule 19 20 which is challenged until the commission has determined the matter. The commission shall hold 21 a hearing within ten days of the filing to determine the matter. No rule or portion of a rule 22 promulgated under the authority of this chapter shall become effective unless it has been 23 promulgated pursuant to the provisions of section 536.024, RSMo.

3. The board shall examine, license, and renew the license of duly qualified applicants, and shall conduct hearings affording due process of law, upon charges calling for discipline of a licensee. The board shall refer to the appropriate prosecuting attorney information regarding any persons violating the provisions of sections 344.010 to [344.100] **344.108** and may incur necessary expenses therefor.

344.080. The members of the board, other than the director of the [division of aging] department of health and senior services or his designee, shall receive as compensation for their services fifty dollars for each day devoted to the affairs of the board, and shall be entitled to reimbursement for their expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of their official duties.

344.105. 1. Any nursing home administrator possessing a current license to practice as a nursing home administrator in this state who has maintained an active license for at least ten years may retire his or her license by filing an affidavit with the board which states the date on 4 which the licensee retired from such practice and such other facts as tend to verify the retirement as the board may deem necessary. The affidavit shall be accompanied by a fee [of twenty-five dollars] as provided by rule, made payable to the [division of aging] department of health and senior services. Such request for retired status may also be accomplished by signing the request 7 for retired status that appears on the nursing home administrator's application for license renewal and returning such application to the board prior to June thirtieth of the year of renewal of the administrator's active license, accompanied by a fee [of twenty-five dollars] as provided by rule, made payable to the [division of aging] department of health and senior services. Information provided in the request for retired status shall be given under oath subject to the penalties for the making of a false affidavit.

- 2. An individual who requests retired license status shall return his or her original wall license and all other indicia of licensure to the board. Once the board has received the original wall license from the licensee or evidence satisfactory to the board that the license has been lost, stolen, or destroyed, and the other requirements for requesting retired status have been met, the board shall issue a new license to the licensee indicating that the licensee is retired.
- 3. A retired license may be reactivated within five years of the granting of the retired license by filing with the board evidence satisfactory to the board of the completion of twenty clock hours of continuing education for each calendar year the license was retired accompanied

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- 23 All clock hours of continuing education shall be completed prior to the filing of the affidavit or
- 24 renewal form requesting reactivation of the retired license. If more than five years have passed
- 25 since the issuance of a retired license to a licensee, the licensee shall follow the procedures for
- 26 initial licensure stated in section 344.030.
- 4. No person shall practice as a nursing home administrator in this state or hold himself or herself out as a nursing home administrator if his or her license is retired.
 - 5. Retired licensees shall remain subject to disciplinary action for violations of this chapter and the rules promulgated thereunder.
- 344.108. 1. Any nursing home administrator possessing a current license to practice as a nursing home administrator in this state may place such license on inactive status by filing a written signed request for inactive status with the board, accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board of completion of ten clock hours of continuing education in the area of patient care and a fee as provided by rule made payable to the department of health and senior services. This request may also be accomplished by 6 signing the request for inactive status that appears on the nursing home administrator's application for license renewal and returning such application to the board prior to June 8 9 thirtieth of the year of renewal of the administrator's active license, accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board of the completion of ten clock hours of continuing 10 education in the area of patient care and a fee as provided by rule made payable to the 11 12 department of health and senior services. Information provided in the request for inactive status shall be given under oath subject to the penalties of making a false affidavit. 13
 - 2. An individual who requests that his or her license be placed on inactive status shall return all indicia of licensure to the board or submit evidence satisfactory to the board that the license has been lost, stolen, or destroyed.
 - 3. An inactive license shall expire on June thirtieth of the second year following the year of issuance and every other year thereafter. Licensees seeking to renew shall, during the month of May of the year of renewal, file an application for renewal on forms furnished by the board that include evidence satisfactory to the board of the completion of ten clock hours of continuing education in the area of patient care and shall be accompanied by a renewal fee as provided by rule, payable to the department of health and senior services.
 - 4. A license may be carried in inactive status for up to six years from the date of issuance. If the licensee does not reactivate the license during the six-year period, the license shall expire on the last day of the six-year period.
 - 5. A holder of an inactive license may reactivate the license by submitting a written request to the board, accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board of the completion or plan for completion of forty clock hours of continuing education and a fee as provided

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- by rule made payable to the department of health and senior services. The forty clock hours of continuing education shall be earned no earlier than six months prior to the request for reactivation and no later than twelve months after the inactive license has been reactivated. If the holder of an inactive license requests reactivation prior to completing the forty clock hours of continuing education, the board shall issue a six-month interim license to the licensee. The interim license shall expire six months from the date of issuance or at such earlier time as the licensee earns the forty clock hours of continuing education and submits evidence satisfactory to the board of completion of the required hours.
 - 6. A request for reactivation of an inactive license shall show, under oath or affirmation of the nursing home administrator, a statement that the nursing home administrator has not practiced during the inactive period and is not presently practicing in this state.
 - 7. No person shall practice as a nursing home administrator or hold himself or herself out as a nursing home administrator in this state while his or her license is inactive.
- 8. Inactive licensees shall remain subject to discipline for violations of this chapter and the rules promulgated thereunder.

345.015. As used in sections 345.010 to 345.080, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Audiologist", a person who is licensed as an audiologist pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080 to practice audiology;
- (2) "Audiology aide", a person who is registered as an audiology aide by the board, who does not act independently but works under the direction and supervision of a licensed audiologist. Such person assists the audiologist with activities which require an understanding of audiology but do not require formal training in the relevant academics. To be eligible for registration by the board, each applicant shall submit a registration fee, be of good moral and ethical character; and:
 - (a) Be at least eighteen years of age;
- 11 (b) Furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which shall be at a 12 minimum:
 - a. Certification of graduation from an accredited high school or its equivalent; and
 - b. On-the-job training;
- 15 (c) Be employed in a setting in which direct and indirect supervision are provided on a 16 regular and systematic basis by a licensed audiologist.
- 17 However, the aide shall not administer or interpret hearing screening or diagnostic tests, fit or
- 18 dispense hearing instruments, make ear impressions, make diagnostic statements, determine case
- 19 selection, present written reports to anyone other than the supervisor without the signature of the
- 20 supervisor, make referrals to other professionals or agencies, use a title other than
- 21 speech-language pathology aide or clinical audiology aide, develop or modify treatment plans,

- discharge clients from treatment or terminate treatment, disclose clinical information, either
- 23 orally or in writing, to anyone other than the supervising speech-language
- 24 pathologist/audiologist, or perform any procedure for which he or she is not qualified, has not
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- 26 (3) "Board", the state board of registration for the healing arts;
- 27 (4) "Clinical fellowship", the supervised professional employment period following 28 completion of the academic and practicum requirements of an accredited training program as 29 defined in sections 345.010 to 345.080;
- 30 (5) "Commission", the advisory commission for speech-language pathologists and 31 audiologists;
- (6) "Hearing instrument" or "hearing aid", any wearable device or instrument designed for or offered for the purpose of aiding or compensating for impaired human hearing and any 33 parts, attachments or accessories, including ear molds, but excluding batteries, cords, receivers and repairs;
- 36 "Person", any individual, organization, or corporate body, except that only 37 individuals may be licensed pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080;
 - (8) "Practice of audiology":
 - (a) The application of accepted audiologic principles, methods and procedures for the measurement, testing, interpretation, appraisal and prediction related to disorders of the auditory system, balance system or related structures and systems;
- 42 (b) Provides consultation, counseling to the patient, client, student, their family or 43 interested parties;
 - (c) Provides academic, social and medical referrals when appropriate;
 - (d) Provides for establishing goals, implementing strategies, methods and techniques, for habilitation, rehabilitation or aural rehabilitation, related to disorders of the auditory system, balance system or related structures and systems;
 - (e) Provides for involvement in related research, teaching or public education;
 - (f) Provides for rendering of services or participates in the planning, directing or conducting of programs which are designed to modify audition, communicative, balance or cognitive disorder, which may involve speech and language or education issues;
 - (g) Provides and interprets behavioral and neurophysiologic measurements of auditory balance, cognitive processing and related functions, including intraoperative monitoring;
- 54 (h) Provides involvement in any tasks, procedures, acts or practices that are necessary 55 for evaluation of audition, hearing, training in the use of amplification or assistive listening 56 devices;
- 57 (i) Provides selection [and], assessment, fitting, programming, and dispensing of hearing instruments, assistive listening devices, and other amplification systems;

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- (j) Provides for taking impressions of the ear, making custom ear molds, ear plugs, swimmolds and industrial noise protectors;
 - (k) Provides assessment of external ear and cerumen management;
- 62 (l) Provides advising, fitting, mapping assessment of implantable devices such as cochlear or auditory brain stem devices;
- (m) Provides information in noise control and hearing conservation including education, equipment selection, equipment calibration, site evaluation and employee evaluation;
 - (n) Provides performing basic speech-language screening test;
- 67 (o) Provides involvement in social aspects of communication, including challenging 68 behavior and ineffective social skills, lack of communication opportunities;
- 69 (p) Provides support and training of family members and other communication partners 70 for the individual with auditory balance, cognitive and communication disorders;
 - (q) Provides aural rehabilitation and related services to individuals with hearing loss and their families;
 - (r) Evaluates, collaborates and manages audition problems in the assessment of the central auditory processing disorders and providing intervention for individuals with central auditory processing disorders;
 - (s) Develops and manages academic and clinical problems in communication sciences and disorders:
- 78 (t) Conducts, disseminates and applies research in communication sciences and 79 disorders;
 - (9) "Practice of speech-language pathology":
 - (a) Provides screening, identification, assessment, diagnosis, treatment, intervention, including but not limited to prevention, restoration, amelioration and compensation, and follow-up services for disorders of:
 - a. Speech: articulation, fluency, voice, including respiration, phonation and resonance;
 - b. Language, involving the parameters of phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics and pragmatic; and including disorders of receptive and expressive communication in oral, written, graphic and manual modalities;
 - c. Oral, pharyngeal, cervical esophageal and related functions, such as dysphagia, including disorders of swallowing and oral functions for feeding; orofacial myofunctional disorders:
- d. Cognitive aspects of communication, including communication disability and other functional disabilities associated with cognitive impairment;
- e. Social aspects of communication, including challenging behavior, ineffective social skills, lack of communication opportunities;
- 95 (b) Provides consultation and counseling and makes referrals when appropriate;

- 96 (c) Trains and supports family members and other communication partners of individuals 97 with speech, voice, language, communication and swallowing disabilities;
 - (d) Develops and establishes effective augmentative and alternative communication techniques and strategies, including selecting, prescribing and dispensing of augmentative aids and devices; and the training of individuals, their families and other communication partners in their use;
 - (e) Selects, fits and establishes effective use of appropriate prosthetic/adaptive devices for speaking and swallowing, such as tracheoesophageal valves, electrolarynges, or speaking valves;
- 105 (f) Uses instrumental technology to diagnose and treat disorders of communication and swallowing, such as videofluoroscopy, nasendoscopy, ultrasonography and stroboscopy;
 - (g) Provides aural rehabilitative and related counseling services to individuals with hearing loss and to their families;
 - (h) Collaborates in the assessment of central auditory processing disorders in cases in which there is evidence of speech, language or other cognitive communication disorders; provides intervention for individuals with central auditory processing disorders;
 - (i) Conducts pure-tone air conduction hearing screening and screening tympanometry for the purpose of the initial identification or referral;
 - (j) Enhances speech and language proficiency and communication effectiveness, including but not limited to accent reduction, collaboration with teachers of English as a second language and improvement of voice, performance and singing;
 - (k) Trains and supervises support personnel;
 - (l) Develops and manages academic and clinical programs in communication sciences and disorders;
 - (m) Conducts, disseminates and applies research in communication sciences and disorders;
- 122 (n) Measures outcomes of treatment and conducts continuous evaluation of the 123 effectiveness of practices and programs to improve and maintain quality of services;
 - (10) "Speech-language pathologist", a person who is licensed as a speech-language pathologist pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080; who engages in the practice of speech-language pathology as defined in sections 345.010 to 345.080;
 - (11) "Speech-language pathology aide", a person who is registered as a speech-language aide by the board, who does not act independently but works under the direction and supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist. Such person assists the speech-language pathologist with activities which require an understanding of speech-language pathology but do not require formal training in the relevant academics. To be eligible for registration by the board, each applicant shall submit a registration fee, be of good moral and ethical character; and:

- 133 (a) Be at least eighteen years of age;
- 134 (b) Furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which shall be at a 135 minimum:
 - a. Certification of graduation from an accredited high school or its equivalent; and
- b. On-the-job training;

- (c) Be employed in a setting in which direct and indirect supervision is provided on a regular and systematic basis by a licensed speech-language pathologist. However, the aide shall not administer or interpret hearing screening or diagnostic tests, fit or dispense hearing instruments, make ear impressions, make diagnostic statements, determine case selection, present written reports to anyone other than the supervisor without the signature of the supervisor, make referrals to other professionals or agencies, use a title other than speech-language pathology aide or clinical audiology aide, develop or modify treatment plans, discharge clients from treatment or terminate treatment, disclose clinical information, either orally or in writing, to anyone other than the supervising speech-language pathologist/audiologist, or perform any procedure for which he or she is not qualified, has not been adequately trained or both;
- (12) "Speech-language pathology assistant", a person who is registered as a speech-language pathology assistant by the board, who does not act independently but works under the direction and supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist and whose activities require both academic and practical training in the field of speech-language pathology although less training than those established by sections 345.010 to 345.080 as necessary for licensing as a speech-language pathologist. To be eligible for registration by the board, each applicant shall submit the registration fee, be of good moral character and furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which meet the following:
- (a) Hold a bachelor's level degree in the field of speech-language pathology from an institution accredited or approved by a regional accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education or its equivalent; and
- (b) Submit official transcripts from one or more accredited colleges or universities presenting evidence of the completion of bachelor's level course work and clinical practicum requirements equivalent to that required or approved by a regional accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education or its equivalent.
- 345.030. 1. The board shall administer, coordinate, and enforce the provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.080, evaluate the qualifications of applicants, supervise the examination of applicants, issue licenses, and shall investigate persons engaging in practices which appear to violate the provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.080.
 - 2. The board shall conduct such hearings and keep such records and minutes as shall be necessary to an orderly dispatch of business.

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- 3. The board shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations which establish ethical standards of practice and may amend or repeal the same. Rules and regulations shall be adopted that ensure consumer protection related to hearing instrument dispensing that meet or exceed those provided under sections 346.007 to 346.250, RSMo, and rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
 - 4. Regular meetings of the commission shall be held at such times and places as it prescribes, and special meetings may be held upon the call of the chairperson or by request of at least two other members of the commission, but at least one regular meeting shall be held each year.
- 5. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo.
- 345.033. 1. Any person licensed under sections 345.010 to 345.080 who dispenses products associated with professional practice to clients for remuneration shall deliver to each person supplied with a product a completed purchase agreement which shall include the terms of the sale clearly stated using ordinary English language and terminology which is easily understood by the purchaser. If a product which is not new is sold, the purchase agreement and the container thereof shall be clearly marked as "used", "recased", or "reconditioned", whichever is applicable, with terms of guarantee, if any.
 - 2. Any audiologist licensed under sections 345.010 to 345.080 who dispenses hearing instruments shall include in the purchase agreement for a hearing instrument the following:
 - (1) The licensee's signature, business address, and license number;
 - (2) The specifications of the hearing instrument dispensed including make, model, and serial number;
 - (3) The exact amount of any down payment;
 - (4) The length of any trial period provided;
 - (5) The amount of any charges or service fees connected with any trial period;
- 17 **(6)** A description of the right of the purchaser to return the hearing instrument or written notification that no such right exists;
- 19 (7) The name of the manufacturer of the component parts and the assembler or 20 reassembler of the hearing instrument when the product sold is remanufactured or 21 assembled by someone other than the manufacturer of the component parts.
- 345.045. **1. Except as otherwise provided in this section,** all moneys received pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall be collected by the division of professional registration and shall be transmitted to the department of revenue for deposit in the state treasury to the credit of the board of registration for the healing arts fund.

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- 5 2. Effective July 1, 2008, the board shall, in every odd numbered year, transfer from the "Board of Registration for the Healing Arts Fund" to the "Hearing Instrument Specialist Fund" an amount not to exceed sixty-one thousand dollars per transfer as necessary to replace decreased renewal fees received by the board of examiners for hearing instrument specialists as a result of the decrease in licensees under subsection 2 of section 346.060, RSMo. The initial transfer amount shall be equal to the license renewal fees paid 10 during fiscal years 2006 and 2007 by individuals licensed under subsection 2 of section 12 346.060, RSMo. The amount of subsequent transfers may decrease each odd numbered year. Any decrease shall be no more than twenty-five percent of the initial transfer 14 amount. The transfer amount shall be requested through the legislative budget process by the director of the division of professional registration, with the advice and consultation 15 16 of the board and the board of examiners for hearing instrument specialists.
 - 3. Moneys collected and deposited under this section may be used to assist in the enforcement of the statutes relating to the fitting and dispensing of hearing aids by unlicensed individuals.
- 345.055. 1. The board shall charge a license or registration renewal fee for each license or registration renewed. Persons possessing the required training and qualifications to be licensed or registered as both a speech-language pathologist and audiologist shall receive both licenses, which for the purposes of this section shall be considered as a single license or certificate. Duplicate licenses or certificates shall be issued without additional charge to persons practicing in more than one location. Persons who allow their licenses to lapse shall submit a reinstatement fee, and if the license has lapsed for more than a three-year period, the board may require reexamination.
 - 2. The fees prescribed by section 345.051 and this section shall be exclusive, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, no municipality may require any person licensed pursuant to the provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.080 to furnish any bond, pass any examination, or pay any license fee or occupational tax.
 - 3. The board shall set the amount of the fees which sections 345.010 to 345.080 authorize and require by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to section 536.021, RSMo. The fees shall be set at a level to produce:
- 16 **(1)** Revenue which shall not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering sections 345.010 to 345.080; and
- 18 (2) Effective July 1, 2008, any transfer required from the board under subsection 19 2 of section 345.045.
 - 346.015. 1. No person shall engage in the practice of fitting hearing instruments or display a sign or in any other way advertise or represent such person by any other words, letters, abbreviations or insignia indicating or implying that the person practices the fitting of hearing

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- instruments unless the person holds a valid license issued by the division as provided in this
- chapter. The license shall be conspicuously posted in the person's office or place of business.
- Duplicate licenses shall be issued by the department to valid license holders operating more than
- one office, without additional payment. A license under this chapter shall confer upon the holder
- 8 the right to select, fit and sell hearing instruments.

made with respect to revocation, suspension or probation.

- 9 2. Each person licensed pursuant to sections 346.010 to 346.250 shall display the license in an appropriate and public manner and shall keep the board informed of the licensee's current 10 11 address. A license issued pursuant to sections 346.010 to 346.250 is the property of the division 12 and must be surrendered on demand in the event of expiration or after a final determination is
- 14 3. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a corporation, partnership, trust, association or 15 other like organization maintaining an established business address from engaging in the 16 business of selling or offering for sale hearing instruments at retail, provided that it employ only 17 properly licensed hearing instrument specialists or properly licensed audiologists in the direct sale and fitting of such instruments. Each corporation, partnership, trust, association or other like 18 organization shall file annually with the board on a form provided by the board, a list of all 20 licensed hearing instrument specialists employed by it. Each organization shall also file with the 21 division a statement, on a form provided by the division, that it agrees to comply with the rules and regulations of the division and the provisions of this chapter.
- 23 4. Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a class B 24 misdemeanor.

346.030. Sections 346.010 to 346.250 [are not intended to prevent] shall not apply to 2 any audiologist licensed pursuant to chapter 345, RSMo, [from engaging in the practice of measuring human hearing for the purpose of selection of hearing aids, provided such audiologist, or organization employing such audiologist, does not sell hearing instruments, or accessories thereto, except in the case of earmolds provided by an audiologist to be used only for the purpose 5 of audiologic evaluation] while practicing exclusively under that license.

- 346.035. [1.] Sections 346.010 to 346.250 shall not apply to a person who is a physician licensed to practice in Missouri pursuant to chapter 334, RSMo.
- 3 [2. Sections 346.010 to 346.250 shall not apply to an audiologist, provided such person 4 or organization employing such person does not engage in the sale of hearing aids.]
- 346.055. 1. An applicant may obtain a license by successfully passing a qualifying examination of the type described in sections 346.010 to 346.250, provided the applicant:
 - (1) Is at least twenty-one years of age;
 - (2) Is of good moral character; and
- 5 (3) Until December 31, 2008, has an education equivalent to at least a high school diploma from an accredited high school.

- 2. Beginning January 1, 2009, an applicant for a hearing instrument specialist license or a hearing instrument specialist-in-training permit shall demonstrate successful completion of a minimum of sixty semester hours, or its equivalent, at a state or regionally accredited institution of higher education.
 - 3. Beginning January 1, 2011, an applicant for a hearing instrument specialist license or a hearing instrument specialist-in-training permit shall hold an associate's level degree or higher from a state or regionally accredited institution of higher education.
 - 4. Beginning January 1, 2013, or any date thereafter when an associate degree program in hearing instrument sciences is available from a state or regionally accredited institution within Missouri, an applicant for a hearing instrument specialist license or a hearing instrument specialist-in-training permit shall hold:
 - (1) An associate's degree or higher in hearing instrument sciences; or
 - (2) A master's or doctoral degree in audiology from a state or regionally accredited institution.
 - 5. The provisions of subsections 2, 3, and 4 of this section shall not apply to any person holding a valid Missouri hearing instrument specialist license under this chapter when applying for the renewal of that license. These provisions shall apply to any person holding a hearing instrument specialist-in-training permit at the time of their application for licensure or renewal of said permit.
 - 346.060. [1.] An applicant for license by examination shall appear at a time, place, and before such persons as the board may designate to be examined by means of written and practical tests in order to demonstrate that the applicant is qualified to engage in the practice of fitting hearing instruments. Nothing in this examination shall imply that the applicant shall possess the degree of medical competence normally expected of physicians.
 - [2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of this section, any applicant who is an audiologist licensed pursuant to chapter 345, RSMo, and who holds the certification of clinical competence or is completing the clinical fellowship year offered by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association shall not be required to pass either the written exam or the practical exam for licensure as a hearing instrument specialist in this state.]

346.110. No person shall:

- 2 (1) Sell through the mails, hearing instruments without prior fitting and testing by a 3 hearing instrument specialist licensed under this chapter or an audiologist licensed under 4 chapter 345, RSMo;
 - (2) Sell, barter, or offer to sell or barter a license;
- 6 (3) Purchase or procure by barter a license with intent to use it as evidence of the holder's qualification to engage in the practice of fitting hearing instruments;
 - (4) Alter a license with fraudulent intent;

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- 9 (5) Use or attempt to use as a valid license a license which has been purchased, 10 fraudulently obtained, counterfeited or materially altered;
- 11 (6) Willfully make a false statement in an application for license or application for 12 renewal of a license.
 - 383.130. As used in sections 383.130[,] **and** 383.133 [and 383.500], the following terms shall mean:
- 3 (1) "Disciplinary action", any final action taken by the board of trustees or similarly empowered officials of a hospital or ambulatory surgical center, or owner or operator of a temporary nursing staffing agency, to reprimand, discipline or restrict the practice of a health care professional. [If the health care professional is a physician or surgeon,] Only such 6 reprimands, discipline, or restrictions in response to activities which are also grounds for disciplinary actions [pursuant to section 334.100, RSMo,] according to the professional licensing law for that health care professional shall be considered disciplinary actions for the purposes of this definition. If the health care professional is a dentist, only such reprimands, 10 11 discipline, or restrictions in response to activities which are also grounds for disciplinary actions 12 pursuant to section 332.321, RSMo, shall be considered disciplinary actions for the purposes of 13 this definition];
 - (2) "Health care professional", a physician or surgeon licensed under the provisions of chapter 334, RSMo, a dentist licensed under the provisions of chapter 332, RSMo, or a podiatrist licensed under the provisions of chapter 330, RSMo, or a pharmacist licensed under the provisions of chapter 338, RSMo, a psychologist licensed under the provisions of chapter 337, RSMo, or a nurse licensed under the provisions of chapter 335, RSMo, while acting within their scope of practice;
 - (3) "Hospital", a place devoted primarily to the maintenance and operation of facilities for the diagnosis, treatment or care for not less than twenty-four hours in any week of three or more nonrelated individuals suffering from illness, disease, injury, deformity or other abnormal physical conditions; or a place devoted primarily to provide for not less than twenty-four hours in any week medical or nursing care for three or more nonrelated individuals. The term "hospital" does not include convalescent, nursing, shelter or boarding homes as defined in chapter 198, RSMo;
 - (4) "Licensing authority", the appropriate board or authority which is responsible for the licensing or regulation of the health care professional;
 - (5) "Temporary nursing staffing agency", any person, firm, partnership, or corporation doing business within the state that supplies, on a temporary basis, registered nurses, licensed practical nurses to a hospital, nursing home, or other facility requiring the services of those persons.

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- 383.133. 1. [Beginning on January 1, 1987,] The chief executive office **or similarly empowered official** of any hospital [or], ambulatory surgical center, as such [term is] **terms are** defined in [section 197.200] **chapter 197**, RSMo, **or temporary nursing staffing agency**, shall report to the appropriate health care professional licensing authority any disciplinary action against any health care professional or the voluntary resignation of any health care professional against whom any complaints or reports have been made which might have led to disciplinary action.
 - 2. All reports required by this section shall be submitted within fifteen days of the final disciplinary action and shall contain, but need not be limited to, the following information:
 - (1) The name, address and telephone number of the person making the report;
- 11 (2) The name, address and telephone number of the person who is the subject of the 12 report;
 - (3) A [brief] description of the facts, including as much detail and information as possible, which gave rise to the issuance of the report, including the dates of occurrence deemed to necessitate the filing of the report;
 - (4) If court action is involved and known to the reporting agent, the identity of the court, including the date of filing and the docket number of the action.
 - 3. Upon request, the licensing authority may furnish a report of any disciplinary action received by it under the provisions of this section to any [of the hospitals or ambulatory surgical centers] **entity** required to report **under this section**. Such licensing authority may also furnish, upon request, a report of disciplinary action taken by the licensing authority to any other administrative or law enforcement agency acting within the scope of its statutory authority.
 - 4. There shall be no liability on the part of, and no cause of action of any nature shall arise against any health care professional licensing authority or any [hospital or ambulatory surgical center] entity required to report under this section, or any of their agents or employees for any action taken in good faith and without malice in carrying out the provisions of this section.
 - 5. Neither a report required to be filed under subsection 2 of this section nor the record of any proceeding shall be used against a health care professional in any other administrative or judicial proceeding.
 - 6. Violation of any provision of this section is an infraction.

407.309. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Performing group", a vocal or instrumental group seeking to use the name of another group that has previously released a commercial sound recording under that name:
- (2) "Recording group", a vocal or instrumental group at least one of whose members has previously released a commercial sound recording under that group's name

and in which the member or members have a legal right by virtue of use or operation under the group name without having abandoned the name or affiliation with the group;

- (3) "Sound recording", a work that results from the fixation on a material object of a series of musical, spoken, or other sounds regardless of the nature of the material object, such as a disk, tape, or other phono-record, in which the sounds are embodied.
- 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to advertise or conduct a live musical performance or production in this state through the use of a false, deceptive, or misleading affiliation, connection, or association between the performing group and the recording group. This section shall not apply if:
- (1) The performing group is the authorized registrant and owner of a federal service mark for that group registered in the United States Patent and Trademark Office;
- (2) At least one member of the performing group was a member of the recording group and has a legal right by virtue of use or operation under the group name without having abandoned the name or affiliation with the group;
- (3) The live musical performance or production is identified in all advertising and promotion as a salute or tribute;
- (4) The advertising does not relate to a live musical performance or production taking place in this state; or
 - (5) The performance or production is expressly authorized by the recording group.
- 3. Whenever the attorney general has reason to believe that any person is advertising or conducting or is about to advertise or conduct a live musical performance or production in violation of this section and that proceedings would be in the public interest, the attorney general may bring an action against the person to restrain by temporary or permanent injunction that practice.
- 4. Whenever any court issues a permanent injunction to restrain and prevent violations of this section as authorized in subsection 3 of this section, the court may in its discretion direct that the defendant restore to any person in interest any moneys or property, real or personal, which may have been acquired by means of any violation of this section, under terms and conditions to be established by the court.
- 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 407.100 to the contrary, any person who violates this section shall be assessed a civil penalty of not less than five thousand dollars nor more than fifteen thousand dollars per violation, which civil penalty shall be in addition to any other relief which may be granted under subsection 4 of this section. Each performance or production declared unlawful by this section shall constitute a separate violation.
- 620.010. 1. There is hereby created a "Department of Economic Development" to be headed by a director appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate.

- 3 All of the general provisions, definitions and powers enumerated in section 1 of the Omnibus
- 4 State Reorganization Act of 1974 shall continue to apply to this department and its divisions,
- 5 agencies and personnel.

- 2. The office of director of the department of business and administration, chapter 35, RSMo, and others, is abolished and all powers, duties, personnel and property of that office, not previously reassigned by executive reorganization plan no. 1 of 1973 as submitted by the governor pursuant to chapter 26, RSMo, are transferred by type I transfer to the director of the department of economic development. The department of business and administration is hereby abolished.
- 3. The duties and responsibilities relating to subsection 2 of section 35.010, RSMo, are transferred by type I transfer to the personnel division, office of administration.
 - 4. The powers, duties and functions vested in the public service commission, chapters 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 392, and 393, RSMo, and others, and the administrative hearing commission, sections 621.015 to 621.198, RSMo, and others, are transferred by type III transfers, and the state banking board, chapter 361, RSMo, and others, and the savings and loan commission, chapter 369, RSMo, and others, are transferred by type II transfers to the department of economic development. The director of the department is directed to provide and coordinate staff and equipment services to these agencies in the interest of facilitating the work of the bodies and achieving optimum efficiency in staff services common to all the bodies. Nothing in the Reorganization Act of 1974 shall prevent the chairman of the public service commission from presenting additional budget requests or from explaining or clarifying its budget requests to the governor or general assembly.
 - 5. The powers, duties and functions vested in the office of the public counsel are transferred by type III transfer to the department of economic development. Funding for the general counsel's office shall be by general revenue.
 - 6. The public service commission is authorized to employ such staff as it deems necessary for the functions performed by the general counsel other than those powers, duties and functions relating to representation of the public before the public service commission.
 - 7. There is hereby created a "Division of Credit Unions" in the department of economic development, to be headed by a director, nominated by the department director and appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. All the powers, duties and functions vested in the state supervisor of credit unions in chapter 370, RSMo, and the powers and duties relating to credit unions vested in the commissioner of finance in chapter 370, RSMo, are transferred to the division of credit unions of the department of economic development, by a type II transfer, and the office of the state supervisor of credit unions is abolished. The salary of the director of the division of credit unions shall be set by the director of the department within the limits of the appropriations therefor. The director of the division shall assume all the duties and

functions of the state supervisor of credit unions and the commissioner of finance only where the director has duties and responsibilities relating to credit unions as set out in chapter 370, RSMo.

8. The powers, duties and functions vested in the division of finance, chapters 361, 362, 364, 365, 367, and 408, RSMo, and others, are transferred by type II transfer to the department of economic development. There shall be a director of the division who shall be nominated by the department director and appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate.

 9. All the powers, duties and functions vested in the director of the division of savings and loan supervision in chapter 369, RSMo, sections 443.700 to 443.712, RSMo, or by any other provision of law are transferred to the division of finance of the department of economic development by a type I transfer. The position of the director of the division of savings and loan supervision is hereby abolished. The director of the division of finance shall assume all the duties and functions of the director of the division of savings and loan supervision as provided in chapter 369, RSMo, sections 443.700 to 443.712, RSMo, and by any other provision of law. The division of savings and loan is hereby abolished. The powers of the savings and loan commission are hereby limited to hearing appeals from decisions of the director of the division of finance approving or denying applications to incorporate savings and loan associations or to establish branches of savings and loan associations and approving regulations pertaining to savings and loan associations. Any appeals shall be held in accordance with section 369.319,

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10. On and after August 28, 1990, the status of the division is modified under a specific type transfer pursuant to section 1 of the Omnibus Reorganization Act of 1974. The status of the division is modified from that of a division transferred to the department of economic development pursuant to a type II transfer, as provided for in this section, to that of an agency possessing the characteristics of a division transferred pursuant to a type III transfer; provided, however, that the division will remain within the department of economic development. The division of insurance shall be assigned to the department of economic development as a type III division, and the director of the department of economic development shall have no supervision, authority or control over the actions or decisions of the director of the division. All authority, records, property, personnel, powers, duties, functions, matter pending and all other pertinent vestiges pertaining thereto shall be retained by the division except as modified by this section. If the division of insurance becomes a department by operation of a constitutional amendment, the department of economic development shall continue until December 31, 1991, to provide at least the same assistance as was provided in previous fiscal years for personnel, data processing support and other benefits from appropriations.

- 11. All the powers, duties and functions of the commerce and industrial development division and the industrial development commission, chapters 184 and 255, RSMo, and others, not otherwise transferred, are transferred by type I transfer to the department of economic development, and the industrial development commission is abolished. All powers, duties and functions of the division of commerce and industrial development and the division of community development are transferred by a type I transfer to the department of economic development, and the division of commerce and industrial development and the division of community development are abolished.
- 12. All the powers, duties and functions vested in the tourism commission, chapter 258, RSMo, and others, are transferred to the "Division of Tourism", which is hereby created, by type III transfer.
- 13. All the powers, duties and functions of the department of community affairs, chapter 251, RSMo, and others, not otherwise assigned, are transferred by type I transfer to the department of economic development, and the department of community affairs is abolished. The director of the department of economic development may assume all the duties of the director of community affairs or may establish within the department such subunits and advisory committees as may be required to administer the programs so transferred. The director of the department shall appoint all members of such committees and heads of subunits.
- 14. (1) There is hereby established a "Division of Professional Registration" assigned to the department of economic development as a type III division, headed by a director appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate.
- (2) The director of the division of professional registration shall promulgate rules and regulations which designate for each board or commission assigned to the division the renewal date for licenses or certificates. After the initial establishment of renewal dates, no director of the division shall promulgate a rule or regulation which would change the renewal date for licenses or certificates if such change in renewal date would occur prior to the date on which the renewal date in effect at the time such new renewal date is specified next occurs. Each board or commission shall by rule or regulation establish licensing periods of one, two, or three years. Registration fees set by a board or commission shall be effective for the entire licensing period involved, and shall not be increased during any current licensing period. Persons who are required to pay their first registration fees shall be allowed to pay the pro rata share of such fees for the remainder of the period remaining at the time the fees are paid. Each board or commission shall provide the necessary forms for initial registration, and thereafter the director may prescribe standard forms for renewal of licenses and certificates. Each board or commission shall by rule and regulation require each applicant to provide the information which is required to keep the board's records current. Each board or commission shall issue the original license or certificate.

- (3) The division shall provide clerical and other staff services relating to the issuance and renewal of licenses for all the professional licensing and regulating boards and commissions assigned to the division. The division shall perform the financial management and clerical functions as they each relate to issuance and renewal of licenses and certificates. "Issuance and renewal of licenses and certificates" means the ministerial function of preparing and delivering licenses or certificates, and obtaining material and information for the board or commission in connection with the renewal thereof. It does not include any discretionary authority with regard to the original review of an applicant's qualifications for licensure or certification, or the subsequent review of licensee's or certificate holder's qualifications, or any disciplinary action contemplated against the licensee or certificate holder. The division may develop and implement microfilming systems and automated or manual management information systems.
- (4) The director of the division shall establish a system of accounting and budgeting, in cooperation with the director of the department, the office of administration, and the state auditor's office, to ensure proper charges are made to the various boards for services rendered to them. The general assembly shall appropriate to the division and other state agencies from each board's funds, moneys sufficient to reimburse the division and other state agencies for all services rendered and all facilities and supplies furnished to that board.
- (5) For accounting purposes, the appropriation to the division and to the office of administration for the payment of rent for quarters provided for the division shall be made from the "Professional Registration Fees Fund", which is hereby created, and is to be used solely for the purpose defined in subdivision (4) of subsection 14 of this section. The fund shall consist of moneys deposited into it from each board's fund. Each board shall contribute a prorated amount necessary to fund the division for services rendered and rent based upon the system of accounting and budgeting established by the director of the division as provided in subdivision (4) of this subsection. Transfers of funds to the professional registration fees fund shall be made by each board on July first of each year; provided, however, that the director of the division may establish an alternative date or dates of transfers at the request of any board. Such transfers shall be made until they equal the prorated amount for services rendered and rent by the division. [The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue.] The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds three times the appropriation from the professional registration fees fund for the preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the professional registration fees fund for the preceding fiscal year.

- (6) The director of the division shall be responsible for collecting and accounting for all moneys received by the division or its component agencies. Any money received by a board or commission shall be promptly given, identified by type and source, to the director. The director shall keep a record by board and state accounting system classification of the amount of revenue the director receives. The director shall promptly transmit all receipts to the department of revenue for deposit in the state treasury to the credit of the appropriate fund. The director shall provide each board with all relevant financial information in a timely fashion. Each board shall cooperate with the director by providing necessary information.
- (7) All educational transcripts, test scores, complaints, investigatory reports, and information pertaining to any person who is an applicant or licensee of any agency assigned to the division of professional registration by statute or by the department of economic development are confidential and may not be disclosed to the public or any member of the public, except with the written consent of the person whose records are involved. The agency which possesses the records or information shall disclose the records or information if the person whose records or information is involved has consented to the disclosure. Each agency is entitled to the attorney-client privilege and work-product privilege to the same extent as any other person. Provided, however, that any board may disclose confidential information without the consent of the person involved in the course of voluntary interstate exchange of information, or in the course of any litigation concerning that person, or pursuant to a lawful request, or to other administrative or law enforcement agencies acting within the scope of their statutory authority. Information regarding identity, including names and addresses, registration, and currency of the license of the persons possessing licenses to engage in a professional occupation and the names and addresses of applicants for such licenses is not confidential information.
- (8) Any deliberations conducted and votes taken in rendering a final decision after a hearing before an agency assigned to the division shall be closed to the parties and the public. Once a final decision is rendered, that decision shall be made available to the parties and the public.
- 15. (1) The division of registration and examination, department of education, within chapter 161, RSMo, and others, is abolished and the following boards and commissions are transferred by specific type transfers to the division of professional registration, department of economic development: state board of accountancy, chapter 326, RSMo; state board of barber examiners, chapter 328, RSMo; state board of registration for architects, professional engineers and land surveyors, chapter 327, RSMo; state board of chiropractic examiners, chapter 331, RSMo; state board of cosmetology, chapter 329, RSMo; state board of healing arts, chapter 334, RSMo; Missouri dental board, chapter 332, RSMo; state board of embalmers and funeral directors, chapter 333, RSMo; state board of optometry, chapter 336, RSMo; state board of nursing, chapter 335, RSMo; board of pharmacy, chapter 338, RSMo; state board of podiatry,

chapter 330, RSMo; Missouri real estate commission, chapter 339, RSMo; and Missouri veterinary medical board chapter 340, RSMo. The governor shall appoint members of these boards by and with the advice and consent of the senate from nominees submitted by the director of the department.

- (2) The boards and commissions assigned to the division shall exercise all their respective statutory duties and powers, except those clerical and other staff services involving collecting and accounting for moneys and financial management relating to the issuance and renewal of licenses, which services shall be provided by the division, within the appropriation therefor. All clerical and other staff services relating to the issuance and renewal of licenses of the individual boards and commissions are abolished. All clerical and other staff services pertaining to collecting and accounting for moneys and to financial management relative to the issuance and renewal of licenses of the individual boards and commissions are abolished. Nothing herein shall prohibit employment of professional examining or testing services from professional associations or others as required by the boards or commissions on contract. Nothing herein shall be construed to affect the power of a board or commission to expend its funds as appropriated. However, the division shall review the expense vouchers of each board. The results of such review shall be submitted to the board reviewed and to the house and senate appropriations committees annually.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the director of the division shall exercise only those management functions of the boards and commissions specifically provided in the Reorganization Act of 1974, and those relating to the allocation and assignment of space, personnel other than board personnel, and equipment.
- (4) "Board personnel", as used in this section or chapters 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 338, 339 and 340, RSMo, shall mean personnel whose functions and responsibilities are in areas not related to the clerical duties involving the issuance and renewal of licenses, to the collecting and accounting for moneys, or to financial management relating to issuance and renewal of licenses; specifically included are executive secretaries (or comparable positions), consultants, inspectors, investigators, counsel, and secretarial support staff for these positions; and such other positions as are established and authorized by statute for a particular board or commission. Boards and commissions may employ legal counsel, if authorized by law, and temporary personnel if the board is unable to meet its responsibilities with the employees authorized above. Any board or commission which hires temporary employees shall annually provide the division director and the appropriation committees of the general assembly with a complete list of all persons employed in the previous year, the length of their employment, the amount of their remuneration and a description of their responsibilities.
- (5) Board personnel for each board or commission shall be employed by and serve at the pleasure of the board or commission, shall be supervised as the board or commission designates,

and shall have their duties and compensation prescribed by the board or commission, within appropriations for that purpose, except that compensation for board personnel shall not exceed that established for comparable positions as determined by the board or commission pursuant to the job and pay plan of the department of economic development. Nothing herein shall be construed to permit salaries for any board personnel to be lowered except by board action.

- (6) Each board or commission shall receive complaints concerning its licensees' business or professional practices. Each board or commission shall establish by rule a procedure for the handling of such complaints prior to the filing of formal complaints before the administrative hearing commission. The rule shall provide, at a minimum, for the logging of each complaint received, the recording of the licensee's name, the name of the complaining party, the date of the complaint, and a brief statement of the complaint and its ultimate disposition. The rule shall provide for informing the complaining party of the progress of the investigation, the dismissal of the charges or the filing of a complaint before the administrative hearing commission.
- 16. All the powers, duties and functions of the division of athletics, chapter 317, RSMo, and others, are transferred by type I transfer to the division of professional registration. The athletic commission is abolished.
- 17. The state council on the arts, chapter 185, RSMo, and others, is transferred by type II transfer to the department of economic development, and the members of the council shall be appointed by the director of the department.
- 18. The Missouri housing development commission, chapter 215, RSMo, is assigned to the department of economic development, but shall remain a governmental instrumentality of the state of Missouri and shall constitute a body corporate and politic.
- 19. All the authority, powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, matters pending and other pertinent vestiges of the division of manpower planning of the department of social services are transferred by a type I transfer to the "Division of Job Development and Training", which is hereby created, within the department of economic development. The division of manpower planning within the department of social services is abolished. The provisions of section 1 of the Omnibus State Reorganization Act of 1974, Appendix B, relating to the manner and procedures for transfers of state agencies shall apply to the transfers provided in this section.
- 20. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this chapter shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to August 28, 1999, is of no force and effect and repealed. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to repeal or affect the validity of any rule filed or adopted prior to August 28, 1999, if it fully complied with all applicable provisions of law. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the

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powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 1999, shall be invalid and void.

621.045. 1. The administrative hearing commission shall conduct hearings and make findings of fact and conclusions of law in those cases when, under the law, a license issued by any of the following agencies may be revoked or suspended or when the licensee may be placed on probation or when an agency refuses to permit an applicant to be examined upon his qualifications or refuses to issue or renew a license of an applicant who has passed an examination for licensure or who possesses the qualifications for licensure without examination:

Missouri State Board of Accountancy

271 Missouri State Board [of Registration] for Architects, Professional Engineers [and],

272 **Professional** Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects

- 273 Board of Barber Examiners
- 274 Board of Cosmetology
- 275 Board of Chiropody and Podiatry
- 276 Board of Chiropractic Examiners
- 277 Missouri Dental Board
- 278 Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors
- Board of Registration for the Healing Arts
- 280 Board of Nursing
- 281 Board of Optometry
- 282 Board of Pharmacy
- 283 Missouri Real Estate Commission
- 284 Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
- 285 Supervisor of Liquor Control
- 286 Department of Health and Senior Services
- 287 Department of Insurance
- 288 Department of Mental Health

289 **Board of Private Investigator Examiners.**

- 2. If in the future there are created by law any new or additional administrative agencies which have the power to issue, revoke, suspend, or place on probation any license, then those agencies are under the provisions of this law.
- 3. The administrative hearing commission is authorized to conduct hearings and make findings of fact and conclusions of law in those cases brought by the Missouri state board for architects, professional engineers, professional land surveyors and landscape architects against unlicensed persons under section 327.076, RSMo.

- 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, after August 28, 1995, in order to encourage settlement of disputes between any agency described in subsection 1 or 2 of this section and its licensees, any such agency shall:
 - (1) Provide the licensee with a written description of the specific conduct for which discipline is sought and a citation to the law and rules allegedly violated, together with copies of any documents which are the basis thereof and the agency's initial settlement offer, or file a contested case against the licensee;
 - (2) If no contested case has been filed against the licensee, allow the licensee at least sixty days, from the date of mailing, to consider the agency's initial settlement offer and to contact the agency to discuss the terms of such settlement offer;
 - (3) If no contested case has been filed against the licensee, advise the licensee that the licensee may, either at the time the settlement agreement is signed by all parties, or within fifteen days thereafter, submit the agreement to the administrative hearing commission for determination that the facts agreed to by the parties to the settlement constitute grounds for denying or disciplining the license of the licensee; and
 - (4) In any contact [pursuant to] **under** this subsection by the agency or its counsel with a licensee who is not represented by counsel, advise the licensee that the licensee has the right to consult an attorney at the licensee's own expense.
 - [4.] 5. If the licensee desires review by the administrative hearing commission [pursuant to] under subdivision (3) of subsection [3] 4 of this section at any time prior to the settlement becoming final, the licensee may rescind and withdraw from the settlement and any admissions of fact or law in the agreement shall be deemed withdrawn and not admissible for any purposes under the law against the licensee. Any settlement submitted to the administrative hearing commission shall not be effective and final unless and until findings of fact and conclusions of law are entered by the administrative hearing commission that the facts agreed to by the parties to the settlement constitute grounds for denying or disciplining the license of the licensee.
 - [327.111. Any person who practices architecture in Missouri as defined in section 327.091, who is not exempt pursuant to the provisions of section 327.101, or who is not the holder of a currently valid license or certificate of authority to practice architecture in Missouri, or who pretends or attempts to use as such person's own the license or certificate of authority or the seal of another architect or who affixes his or her or another's architect's seal on any plans, specifications, drawings, or reports which have not been prepared by such person or under such person's immediate personal supervision, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.]
 - [327.201. Any person who practices professional engineering in Missouri as defined in section 327.181, who is not exempt pursuant to the provisions of section 327.191 and who is not the holder of a currently valid license or

certificate of authority to practice professional engineering in Missouri, or who pretends or attempts to use as such person's own the license or certificate of authority or the seal of another professional engineer, or who affixes such person's or another professional engineer's seal on any plans, specifications, drawings or reports which have not been prepared by such person or under such person's immediate personal supervision is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.]

[327.291. Any person who practices as a professional land surveyor in Missouri as defined in section 327.272, who is not a holder of a currently valid license or certificate of authority to practice professional land surveying in Missouri, or who pretends or attempts to use as such person's own the license or certificate of authority or the seal of another professional land surveyor or who affixes such person's or another professional land surveyor's seal on any map, plat, survey or other document which has not been prepared by such person or under such person's immediate personal supervision is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.]

[327.633. Any person violating any of the provisions of sections 327.600 to 327.635 is deemed guilty of a class A misdemeanor.]

[336.090. 1. Upon payment of a fee equivalent to the examination and certificate fees, an applicant who is an optometrist, registered or licensed under the laws of another state or territory of the United States, or of a foreign country or province shall, without examination, be granted a certificate of registration as a registered optometrist by the state board of optometry upon the following conditions:

- (1) That the applicant is at least twenty-one years of age, of good moral character; and
- (2) That the requirements for the registration or licensing of optometrists in the particular state, territory, country or province, were, at the date of the license, substantially equal to the requirements then in force in this state.
- 2. The board may by rule and regulation require applicants under this section to satisfactorily complete any practical examination or any examination on Missouri laws required pursuant to section 336.050.]

[336.200. Any person, firm or corporation employing a registered optometrist may advertise the availability of optometric service, provided that the names of the registered optometrists providing such service are included in all printed advertisements. The violation of any provision of this section shall constitute an infraction, punishable upon conviction, by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.]

[337.606. For a period of twenty-four months from July 1, 1990, applicants for licensure shall be exempted from the academic requirements of

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3 4 5 6 7 8	sections 337.600 to 337.639 if the committee is satisfied that the applicant has acceptable educational qualifications, or social work experience, or is currently engaged in the practice of clinical social work. After that time no person shall engage in clinical social work practice for compensation or hold himself or herself out as a licensed clinical social worker unless the person is licensed in accordance with the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.639.]
2 3	[337.609. No provision of sections 337.600 to 337.639 shall be construed to require any agency, corporation, or organization, not otherwise required by law, to employ licensed clinical social workers.]
2 3 4 5 6 7	[337.624. 1. No part of this section or of chapter 354 or 375, RSMo, shall be construed to mandate benefits or third-party reimbursement for services of social workers in the policies or contracts of any insurance company, health services corporation, or other third-party payer. 2. This section shall not be construed to effect procedures for billing for social work services provided by agencies, corporations, or organizations which employ licensed social workers.]
2 3 4 5 6	[337.639. Nothing in sections 337.600 to 337.639 shall be construed to prohibit any person licensed under the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.639 from testifying in court hearings concerning matters of adoption, adult abuse, child abuse, child neglect, or other matters pertaining to the welfare of children or any dependent person, or from seeking collaboration or consultation with professional colleagues or administrative supervisors on behalf of the client.]
2 3 4	[337.650. As used in sections 337.650 to 337.689, the following terms mean: (1) "Committee", the state committee for social work established in section 337.622;
5 6 7 8	 (2) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development; (3) "Director", the director of the division of professional registration in the department of economic development; (4) "Division", the division of professional registration;
9 10	(5) "Licensed baccalaureate social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations,
11 12 13	government agencies or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced and licensed as a baccalaureate social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as a baccalaureate
14 15	social worker; (6) "Practice of baccalaureate social work", rendering, offering to render

or supervising those who render to individuals, families, groups, organizations,

institutions, corporations or the general public any service involving the

application of methods, principles, and techniques of baccalaureate social work;

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19	(7) "Provisional licensed baccalaureate social worker", any person who					
20	is a graduate of an accredited school of social work and meets all requirements					
21	of a licensed baccalaureate social worker, other than the supervised baccalaureate					
22	social work experience prescribed by subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of section					
23	337.665, and who is supervised by a licensed clinical social worker or a licensed					
24	baccalaureate social worker, as defined by rule.]					
	[337.659. No provision of sections 337.650 to 337.689 shall be construed					
2	to require any agency, corporation or organization, not otherwise required by law,					
3	to employ licensed baccalaureate social workers.]					
	[337.668. The term of each license issued pursuant to the provisions of					
2	sections 337.650 to 337.689 shall be no less than twenty-four and no more than					
3	forty-eight consecutive calendar months. All licensees shall annually complete					
4	fifteen hours of continuing education units. The committee shall renew any					
5	license, other than a provisional license, upon application for a renewal,					
6	submission of documentation of the completion of the required annual hours of					
7	continuing education and payment of the fee established by the committee					
8	pursuant to the provisions of section 337.662.]					
	[337.674. No part of this section or of chapter 354 or 375, RSMo, shall					
2	be construed to mandate benefits or third-party reimbursement for services of					
3	social workers in the policies or contracts of any insurance company, health					
4	services corporation, or other third-party payer.]					
	[337.677. 1. The committee shall promulgate rules and regulations					
2	pertaining to:					
3	(1) The form and content of license applications required by the					
4	provisions of sections 337.650 to 337.689 and the procedures for filing an					
5	application for an initial or renewal license in this state;					
6	(2) Fees required by the provisions of sections 337.650 to 337.689;					
7	(3) The characteristics of "supervised baccalaureate experience" as that					
8	term is used in section 337.665;					
9	(4) The standards and methods to be used in assessing competency as a					
10	licensed baccalaureate social worker, including the requirement for annual					
11	continuing education units;					
12	(5) Establishment and promulgation of procedures for investigating,					
13	hearing and determining grievances and violations occurring pursuant to the					
14	provisions of sections 337.650 to 337.689;					
15	(6) Development of an appeal procedure for the review of decisions and					
16	rules of administrative agencies existing pursuant to the constitution or laws of					

(7) Establishment of a policy and procedure for reciprocity with other

states, including states which do not have baccalaureate or clinical social worker

licensing laws or states whose licensing laws are not substantially the same as those of this state; and

- (8) Any other policies or procedures necessary to the fulfillment of the requirements of sections 337.650 to 337.689.
- 2. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in sections 337.650 to 337.689 shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2001, shall be invalid and void.]
- [337.680. 1. The committee may refuse to issue or renew any license required by the provisions of sections 337.650 to 337.689 for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The committee shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall advise the applicant of the applicant's right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo.
- 2. The committee may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any license required by sections 337.650 to 337.689 or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered the person's license for any one or any combination of the following causes:
- (1) Use of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, RSMo, or alcoholic beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to engage in the occupation of baccalaureate social work; except that the fact that a person has undergone treatment for past substance or alcohol abuse and/or has participated in a recovery program shall not by itself be cause for refusal to issue or renew a license;
- (2) The person has been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution pursuant to the laws of any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a baccalaureate social worker; for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence; or for any offense involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;
- (3) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.650 to 337.689 or in obtaining permission to take any examination given or required pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.650 to 337.689;
- (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;

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30 (5) Incompetency, misconduct, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty in 31 the performance of the functions or duties of a baccalaureate social worker; 32 (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 337.650 to 337.689, or of any lawful rule or regulation 33 34 adopted pursuant to sections 337.650 to 337.689; 35 (7) Impersonation of any person holding a license or allowing any person 36 to use the person's license or diploma from any school; 37 (8) Revocation or suspension of a license or other right to practice baccalaureate social work granted by another state, territory, federal agency or 38 39 country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this 40 state: Final adjudication as incapacitated by a court of competent 41 (9) 42 jurisdiction; 43 (10) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice baccalaureate social work who is not licensed and currently eligible to practice 44 45 pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.650 to 337.689; (11) Obtaining a license based upon a material mistake of fact; 46 47 (12) Failure to display a valid license if so required by sections 337.650 48 to 337.689 or any rule promulgated hereunder; (13) Violation of any professional trust or confidence; 49 50 (14) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which is false, misleading 51 or deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the advertisement or 52 solicitation is primarily directed; (15) Being guilty of unethical conduct based on the code of ethics of the 53 National Association of Social Workers. 54 55 3. Any person, organization, association or corporation who reports or provides information to the committee pursuant to the provisions of sections 56 57 337.650 to 337.689 and who does so in good faith shall not be subject to an 58 action for civil damages as a result thereof. 4. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted 59 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621, RSMo. Upon a finding by the 60 administrative hearing commission that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of 61 this section, for disciplinary action are met, the committee may censure or place 62 the person named in the complaint on probation on such terms and conditions as 63 64 the committee deems appropriate for a period not to exceed five years, or may 65 suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, or revoke the license.] [337.686. Persons licensed pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.650 to 337.689 may not disclose any information acquired from persons consulting 2 3 them in their professional capacity, or be compelled to disclose such information 4 except:

(1) With the written consent of the client, or in the case of the client's

death or disability, the client's personal representative or other person authorized

1	to sue, or the beneficiary of an insurance policy on the client's life, health or
8	physical condition;
9	(2) When such information pertains to a criminal act;
10	(3) When the person is a child under the age of eighteen years and the
11	information acquired by the licensee indicated that the child was the victim of a
12	crime;
13	(4) When the person waives the privilege by bringing charges against the
14	licensee;
15	(5) When the licensee is called upon to testify in any court or
16	administrative hearings concerning matters of adoption, adult abuse, child abuse,
17	child neglect, or other matters pertaining to the welfare of clients of the licensee;
18	or
19	(6) When the licensee is collaborating or consulting with professional
20	colleagues or an administrative superior on behalf of the client.]

Section B. The repeal and reenactment of sections 317.001, 317.006, 317.011, 317.013,

- 2 317.015, and 317.018, and the enactment of section 317.019 of section A of this act shall become
- 3 effective on July 1, 2008.

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