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# Notice of Rulemaking Hearing

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<b>Agency/Board/Commission:</b>	Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and Licensed Pastoral Therapists
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**Hearing Location(s)** (for additional locations, copy and paste table)

Address 1:	Poplar Conference Room, Suite 150 Heritage Place – Metro Center		
Address 2:	227 French Landing		
City:	Nashville, Tennessee		
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- Amendment
- New
- Repeal

**Rule(s)** (ALL chapters and rules contained in filing must be listed. If needed, copy and paste additional tables to accommodate more than one chapter. Please enter only **ONE** Rule Number/Rule Title per row.)

Chapter Number	Chapter Title
0450-01	General Rules Governing Professional Counselors

Rule Number	Rule Title
0450-01-.04	Qualifications for Licensure
0450-01-.05	Procedures of Licensure
0450-01-.12	Continuing Education

Chapter 0450-01  
General Rules Governing Professional Counselors  
Amendments

Rule 0450-01-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by deleting paragraph (3) and all its subparagraphs and substituting instead the following language, so that the section as amended shall read:

- (3) Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) by Reciprocity. Individuals seeking licensure by reciprocity must meet the following qualifications:
  - (a) Hold a current, undisciplined, professional counselor or equivalent license from another state which has entered into a mutual reciprocity agreement with the Tennessee Board for Professional Counselors, Marital and Family Therapists, and Clinical Pastoral Therapists.
  - (b) Must provide evidence that he is highly regarded in moral character and professional ethics.
  - (c) Pass the Tennessee Jurisprudence Examination pursuant to rule 0450-01-.08.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-22-102, 63-23-116.

Rule 0450-01-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by deleting paragraph (4) and all its subparagraphs and substituting instead the following language, so that the section as amended shall read:

- (4) Licensed Professional Counselor with Mental Health Services Provider designation (LPC/MHSP). To be eligible to submit an application, a candidate must show completion of the following qualifications:
  - (a) Be at least 18 years of age.
  - (b) Evidence that he or she is highly regarded in moral character and professional ethics (Rule 0450-01-.05).
  - (c) Education. The educational requirements must be completed prior to the date of application.
    - 1. Sixty (60) graduate semester hours, based upon a program of studies with a major in counseling, completed from an institution accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Counsel for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs, or a comparable accrediting body;
    - 2. The graduate coursework should include, but is not limited to, the following core areas (one course may satisfy study in more than one of the study areas):
      - (i) Theories of human behavior, learning and personality;
      - (ii) Abnormal behavior;
      - (iii) Theories of counseling and psychotherapy;
      - (iv) Evaluation and appraisal procedures;
      - (v) Group dynamics, theories and techniques;

- (vi) Counseling techniques;
  - (vii) Multicultural counseling;
  - (viii) Ethics;
  - (ix) Research;
  - (x) Clinical practicum or internship (pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-22-104)
  - (xi) Use of the DSM
  - (xii) Treatment and treatment planning
  - (xiii) Clinical practicum or internship (pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-22-104).
3. For the purpose of mental health service provider designation pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-22-150, "has completed a minimum of nine (9) graduate semester hours of coursework specifically related to diagnosis, treatment, appraisal and assessment of mental disorders" will be interpreted to mean passing nine (9) semester hours, either during the course of a graduate degree or as post-graduate work, in courses in which diagnosis, treatment and treatment planning, appraisal and assessment of mental disorders, psychopathology, and the use of the DSM were the entire focus of the course or comprised a substantial portion of the course work.
- (d) Meet the following requirements for post-masters professional experience:
- 1. Complete three thousand (3000) hours of supervised post-masters professional experience, including one hundred and fifty (150) contact hours of supervision obtained pursuant to Rule 0450-01-.10(6).
    - (i) One thousand and five hundred (1500) of the three thousand (3000) hours of supervised post-masters professional experience shall be face-to-face client contact hours.
    - (ii) One thousand and five hundred (1500) of the three thousand (3000) hours of supervised post-masters professional experience shall be clinically-related activities;
- (e) Pass the National Counselors Examination, the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination, and the Tennessee Jurisprudence Exam pursuant to Rule 0450-01-.08.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-22-102, 63-23-104, 63-23-107.

Rule 0450-01-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by deleting paragraph (5) and all its subparagraphs and substituting instead the following language, so that the section as amended shall read:

- (5) Licensed Professional Counselor with Mental Health Service Provider designation (LPC/MHSP), by reciprocity. Individuals seeking licensure by reciprocity as LPC/MHSPs must meet the following qualifications.
  - (a) Hold a current, undisciplined, professional counselor license with a Mental Health Service Provider designation, or its equivalent, from another state which has entered into a mutual reciprocity agreement with the Tennessee Board for Professional Counselors, Marital and Family Therapists, and Clinical Pastoral Therapists.
  - (b) Provide evidence that he or she is highly regarded in moral character and professional ethics.

- (c) Pass the Tennessee Jurisprudence Examination pursuant to rule 0450-01-.08.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-22-102, 63-23-116.

Rule 0450-01-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by adding the following language as new paragraph (6) which shall read:

- (6) Temporarily Licensed Professional Counselor with Mental Health Service Provider designation.
- (a) A temporary license may be issued by the Board for an applicant for licensed professional counselor designated as a mental health service provider who has:
1. Completed the academic course work and training (except for the required supervised professional experience) required for the license; and
  2. Who has successfully passed the National Counselor Examination.
- (b) A temporary license obtained pursuant to this section authorizes an applicant to perform the functions specified in T.C.A. § 63-22-150(5), while working under the supervision of an approved supervisor.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 63-22-102, 63-22-121.

Rule 0450-01-.05 Procedures for Licensure is amended by deleting Subparagraphs 1(k), 1(l), and 1(m) and substituting instead the following language, so that as amended, the new subparagraphs shall read:

- (k) An applicant shall submit evidence of completing a minimum of two (2) years supervised post-master's experience under the direction of an approved supervisor, pursuant to rule 0450-01-.04(1)(d).
- (l) An applicant shall direct NBCC to submit directly to the Board's office evidence that he or she passed the National Counselor Examination pursuant to rule 0450-01-.08.
- (m) An applicant shall disclose the circumstances surrounding any of the following:
1. Conviction of any criminal law violation of any country, state, or municipality, except minor traffic violations.
  2. The denial of certification or licensure application by any other state or the discipline of certification or licensure in any state.
  3. Loss or restriction of certification or licensure.
  4. Any civil suit judgment or civil suit settlement in which the applicant was a party defendant including, without limitation, actions involving malpractice, breach of contract, antitrust activity, or any other civil action remedy recognized under any country's or state's statutory, common, or case law.
  5. If the applicant discloses any of the above, the Board may require the applicant to appear before the Board to answer questions regarding the circumstances and regarding the applicant's fitness to practice in the State of Tennessee. The burden is on the applicant to prove by a preponderance of the evidence the circumstances of any of the above.
  6. Any of the above may be grounds for denial or conditioning of the license if the Board determines it to be unprofessional conduct.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 63-22-102, 63-22-104.

Rule 0450-01-.05 Procedures for Licensure is amended by adding the following language as new parts 0450-01-.05(2)(f)(5) and (6), which shall read:

5. If the applicant discloses any of the above, the Board may require the applicant to appear before the Board to answer questions regarding the circumstances and regarding the applicant's fitness to practice in the State of Tennessee. The burden is on the applicant to prove by a preponderance of the evidence the circumstances of any of the above.
6. Any of the above may be grounds for denial or conditioning of the license if the Board determines it to be unprofessional conduct.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 63-22-102, 63-22-104.

Rule 0450-01-.05 Procedures for Licensure is amended by deleting paragraph (3) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language, so that the section as amended shall read:

- (3) Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) by Reciprocity
  - (a) The Board may issue a license to any individual who holds a current professional counselor license from another state, if the Board has entered into a mutual reciprocity agreement with the foreign state.
  - (b) An application shall be requested from the Board's administrative office or shall be downloaded from the Internet. An applicant shall pay, at the time of application, the nonrefundable application fee as provided in rule 0450-01-.06.
  - (c) Applications for licensure will be accepted throughout the year and files which are completed on or before the 30th day prior to the meeting will ordinarily be processed at the next Board meeting scheduled for the purpose of reviewing files. Supporting documents requested in these instructions must be received in the Board office within sixty (60) days of receipt of your application or the file will be closed.
  - (d) An applicant shall respond truthfully and completely to every question or request for information contained in the form and submit it along with all documentation and fees required by the form and this rule to the Board administrative office. It is the intent of this rule that all steps necessary to accomplish the filing of the required documentation be completed prior to filing an application and that all documentation be filed simultaneously.
  - (e) An applicant shall submit a clear and recognizable, recently taken, bust photograph which shows the full head face forward from at least the top of the shoulders up.
  - (f) An applicant shall submit a certified photocopy of his or her birth certificate.
  - (g) An applicant shall submit evidence of good moral character. Such evidence shall include two recent, within the preceding twelve (12) months, original letters from professionals attesting to the applicant's personal character and professional ethics and typed on the signator's letterhead.
  - (h) An applicant shall submit a copy of his original certificate or license from the other state along with an official statement or affidavit from the appropriate certification or licensing agency in the other state which indicates that the certificate or license is in effect and in good standing, as well as under what provision such certificate or license was issued (i.e. grandfathering, examination, reciprocity, endorsement, etc.).
  - (i) An applicant must submit a copy of his renewal certificate with the number from the other state and expiration date.

- (j) The applicant shall provide the Board with a copy of his state's certification or licensing law and rules in effect at the time the applicant was credentialed.
- (k) An applicant shall disclose the circumstances surrounding any of the following:
  1. Conviction of any criminal law violation of any country, state, or municipality, except minor traffic violations.
  2. The denial of certification or licensure application by any other state or the discipline of certification or licensure in any state.
  3. Loss or restriction of certification or licensure.
  4. Any civil suit judgment or civil suit settlement in which the applicant was a party defendant including, without limitation, actions involving malpractice, breach of contract, antitrust activity or any other civil action remedy recognized under any country's or state's statutory, common, or case law.
  5. If the applicant discloses any of the above, the Board has the right to require the applicant to appear before the Board to answer questions regarding the circumstances and regarding the applicant's fitness to practice in the State of Tennessee. The burden is on the applicant to prove by a preponderance of the evidence the circumstances of any of the above.
  6. Any of the above may be grounds for denial or conditioning of the license if the Board determines it to be unprofessional conduct, regardless of the terms of a reciprocal agreement with another state.
- (l) An applicant shall cause to be submitted to the Board's administrative office directly from the vendor identified in the Board's licensure application materials, the result of a criminal background check.
- (m) Where necessary, all documents required to be submitted shall be translated into English and such translation certified along with the original document as to authenticity by the issuing source.
- (n) Application review and licensure decisions shall be governed by rule 0450-01-.07.
- (o) Personal resumes are not acceptable and will not be reviewed.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 63-22-102, 63-22-104, 63-22-116.

Rule 0450-01-.05 Procedures for Licensure is amended by deleting paragraph (4) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language, so that the section as amended shall read:

- (4) Licensed Professional Counselor with Mental Health Service Provider designation (LPC/MHSP).
  - (a) An application shall be requested from the Board's administrative office or shall be downloaded from the Internet.
  - (b) An applicant shall respond truthfully and completely to every question or request for information contained in the form, and submit it along with all documentation and fees required by the form and this rule to the Board's administrative office. It is the intent of this rule that all steps necessary to accomplish the filing of the required documentation be completed prior to filing an application and that all documentation be filed simultaneously.
  - (c) Applications for licensure will be accepted throughout the year and files which are completed on or before the 30th day prior to the meeting will ordinarily be processed at the next Board meeting scheduled for the purpose of reviewing files. Supporting documents requested in these instructions must be received in the Board's office within

sixty (60) days of receipt of your application or the file will be closed.

- (d) An applicant shall pay, at the time of application, the nonrefundable application fee as provided in rule 0450-01-.06.
- (e) An applicant shall submit verification of having completed a supervised practicum or internship pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-22-104.
- (f) An applicant shall submit with his application, a certified copy of his birth certificate.
- (g) An applicant shall submit a clear and recognizable recently taken, bust photograph which shows the full head face forward from at least the top of the shoulders up.
- (h) It is the applicant's responsibility to request a graduate transcript from his degree granting institution, pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-22-104, be submitted directly from the school to the Board's administrative office. The institution granting the degree must be accredited, pursuant to rule 0450-01-.04(1), at the time the degree was granted. The transcript must show that the degree has been conferred and carry the official seal of the institution and reference the name under which the applicant has applied for licensure. The transcript must show at least 60 graduate semester hours, pursuant to rule 0450-01-.04(1). The educational requirements contained in this rule must be completed prior to the date of application for licensure.
- (i) An applicant shall complete and submit the worksheet form for reporting course work.
- (j) An applicant shall submit evidence of good moral character. Such evidence shall include at least two (2) recent, within the preceding twelve (12) months, original letters from professionals attesting to the applicant's personal character and professional ethics and typed on the signator's letterhead.
- (k) An applicant shall submit evidence of completing a minimum of two (2) years supervised post-master's experience under the direction of an approved supervisor, pursuant to rule 0450-01-.04(4)(d).
- (l) An applicant shall direct NBCC to submit directly to the Board's office evidence that he passed the National Counselor Examination and the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination pursuant to rule 0450-01-.08.
- (m) An applicant shall disclose the circumstances surrounding any of the following:
  - 1. Conviction of any criminal law violation of any country, state, or municipality, except minor traffic violations.
  - 2. The denial of certification or licensure application by any other state or the discipline of certification or licensure in any state.
  - 3. Loss or restriction of certification or licensure.
  - 4. Any civil suit judgment or civil suit settlement in which the applicant was a party defendant including, without limitation, actions involving malpractice, breach of contract, antitrust activity, or any other civil action remedy recognized under any country's or state's statutory, common, or case law.
  - 5. If the applicant discloses any of the above, the Board has the right to require the applicant to appear before the Board to answer questions regarding the circumstances and regarding the applicant's fitness to practice in the State of Tennessee. The burden is on the applicant to prove by a preponderance of the evidence the circumstances of any of the above.
  - 6. Any of the above may be grounds for denial or conditioning of the license if the Board determines it to be unprofessional conduct, regardless of the terms of a

reciprocal agreement with another state.

- (n) An applicant shall cause to be submitted to the Board's administrative office directly from the vendor identified in the Board's licensure application materials, the result of a criminal background check.
- (o) When necessary, all documents required to be submitted shall be translated into English and such translation certified along with the original document as to authenticity by the issuing source.
- (p) Personal resumes are not acceptable and will not be reviewed.
- (q) Application review and licensure decisions shall be governed by rule 0450-01-.07.
- (r) The burden is on the applicant to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that his course work, supervision, and experience are equivalent to the Board's requirements.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 63-22-102, 63-22-104, 63-22-120.

Rule 0450-01-.05 Procedures for Licensure is amended by deleting paragraph (5) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language, so that the section as amended shall read:

- (5) Licensed Professional Counselor with Mental Health Service Provider designation (LPC/MHSP) by reciprocity.
  - (a) The Board may issue a license to any individual who holds a current, undisciplined professional counselor license with a Mental Health Provider designation, or its equivalent, from another state, if the Board has entered into a mutual reciprocity agreement with the foreign state.
  - (b) An application shall be requested from the Board's administrative office or shall be downloaded from the Internet. An applicant shall pay, at the time of application, the nonrefundable application fee as provided in rule 0450-01-.06.
  - (c) Applications for licensure will be accepted throughout the year and files which are completed on or before the 30th day prior to the meeting will ordinarily be processed at the next Board meeting scheduled for the purpose of reviewing files. Supporting documents requested in these instructions must be received in the Board office within 60 days of receipt of your application or the file will be closed.
  - (d) An applicant shall respond truthfully and completely to every question or request for information contained in the form and submit it along with all documentation and fees required by the form and this rule to the Board administrative office. It is the intent of this rule that all steps necessary to accomplish the filing of the required documentation be completed prior to filing an application and that all documentation be filed simultaneously.
  - (e) An applicant shall submit a clear and recognizable recently taken, bust photograph which shows the full head face forward from at least the top of the shoulders up.
  - (f) An applicant shall submit a certified photocopy of his birth certificate.
  - (g) An applicant shall submit evidence of good moral character. Such evidence shall include two recent, within the preceding 12 months, original letters from professionals attesting to the applicant's personal character and professional ethics and typed on the signator's letterhead.
  - (h) An applicant shall submit a copy of his original certificate or license from other state along with an official statement or affidavit from the appropriate certification or licensing agency in the other state which indicates that the certificate or license is in effect and in good standing, as well as under what provision such certificate or license was issued (i.e.

grandfathering, examination, reciprocity, endorsement, etc.).

- (i) An applicant must submit a copy of his renewal certificate with the number from the other state and expiration date.
- (j) The applicant shall provide the Board with a copy of his state's certification or licensing law and rules in effect at the time the applicant was credentialed.
- (k) An applicant shall disclose the circumstances surrounding any of the following:
  - 1. Conviction of any criminal law violation of any country, state, or municipality, except minor traffic violations.
  - 2. The denial of certification or licensure application by any other state or the discipline of certification or licensure in any state.
  - 3. Loss or restriction of certification or licensure.
  - 4. Any civil suit judgment or civil suit settlement in which the applicant was a party defendant including, without limitation, actions involving malpractice, breach of contract, antitrust activity or any other civil action remedy recognized under any country's or state's statutory, common, or case law.
  - 5. If the applicant discloses any of the above, the Board has the right to require the applicant to appear before the Board to answer questions regarding the circumstances and regarding the applicant's fitness to practice in the State of Tennessee. The burden is on the applicant to prove by a preponderance of the evidence the circumstances of any of the above.
  - 6. Any of the above may be grounds for denial or conditioning of the license if the Board determines it to be unprofessional conduct, regardless of the terms of a reciprocal agreement with another state.
- (l) An applicant shall cause to be submitted to the Board's administrative office directly from the vendor identified in the Board's licensure application materials, the result of a criminal background check.
- (m) Where necessary, all documents required to be submitted shall be translated into English and such translation certified along with the original document as to authenticity by the issuing source.
- (n) Application review and licensure decisions shall be governed by rule 0450-01-.07.
- (o) Personal resumes are not acceptable and will not be reviewed.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 63-22-102, 63-22-104, 63-23-116, 63-22-120.

Rule 0450-01-.05 Procedures for Licensure is amended by adding the following language as new paragraph (6) which shall read:

- (6) Temporary licensure for Licensed Professional Counselor with Mental Health Service Provider designation (LPC/MHSP).
  - (a) An applicant for licensure as an LPC/MHSP may file an application for temporary licensure by submitting the non-refundable application fee required by Rule 0450-01-.06, and an application for licensure with all required documentation, pursuant to procedures outlined in paragraph (4) of this rule, except as follows:
    - 1. The applicant need not show proof of the post-master's supervisory hours required by 0450-01-.05(4)(k).

2. The applicant need not show proof of having passed the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination or the Tennessee Jurisprudence Examination.
  3. The applicant must submit information about the proposed supervisor or supervisors, including proof that the supervisor meets the qualifications of 0450-01-.10(1) and a copy of the proposed supervisory agreement or employment contract.
- (b) No person may be issued more than one (1) temporary license, nor shall a temporary license be valid for more than three (3) years.
  - (c) If an applicant is granted a temporary license, the license shall remain valid until the Board grants or denies the regular license application or until it shall become invalid for any of the following reasons:
    1. Expiration of the three (3) year period.
    2. Failure to continue in supervision during the three year period the license may be valid.
    3. Change of supervisors without notifying the Board, submitting the credentials of the proposed supervisor, and obtaining the Board's approval.
  - (d) When a temporary license holder is notified by the Board that his temporary license is invalid for any reason, the applicant shall return the temporary license to the Board office within ten (10) days. The applicant is expected to cause his supervisor to notify the Board of any reason he is aware of that the license should become invalid. The Board will notify the supervisor when the temporary license becomes invalid.
  - (e) To replace the temporary license with a regular license for LPC/MSHP, the applicant shall:
    1. Notify the Board in writing of intention to seek licensure, using the form provided by the Board.
    2. Present proof of the following:
      - i. Completion of the required Post Master's supervised experience in a clinical setting which meets the requirement of 0450-01-.10; and
      - ii. Passage of the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination and the Tennessee Jurisprudence Examination.
    3. Upon receipt of the materials specified in Parts 1 and 2 the Board shall consider the previously submitted licensure application appropriately supplemented and grant or deny the regular license application, based on satisfactory completion of all requirements for licensure.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 63-22-102, 63-22-104, 63-22-121.

Rule 0450-01.12 Continuing Education is amended by deleting subparagraphs (1)(a), (b), and (c) in their entirety and substituting instead the following language, so that the subparagraphs as amended shall read:

- (a) Each person registered with the Board is required to complete twenty (20) clock hours of continuing education every two (2) calendar years.
- (b) Those persons who hold two (2) certificates and/or licenses regulated by the Tennessee Board for Professional Counselors, Marital and Family Therapists and Clinical Pastoral Therapists shall complete thirty (30) clock hours of continuing education every two (2)

calendar years. A person who holds three certificates and/or licenses shall complete forty (40) clock hours of continuing education every two (2) calendar years. In each case, at least ten (10) clock hours shall be directly related to the practice of each profession for which the person is licensed or certified.

(c) Ethics and Jurisprudence Course Requirement

1. Three (3) clock hours of the twenty (20) clock hour biennial requirement shall pertain to the following subjects:
  - (i) Professional ethics; and/or
  - (ii) Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 22; and/or
  - (iii) Official Compilation, Rules and Regulations of the State of Tennessee, Chapter 0450-01.
2. Those persons who hold two (2) certificates and/or licenses regulated by the Tennessee Board for Professional Counselors, Marital and Family Therapists and Clinical Pastoral Therapists shall have three (3) clock hours of the thirty (30) clock hour biennial requirement pertain to ethics and jurisprudence.
3. Those persons who hold three (3) certificates and/or licenses shall have three (3) clock hours of the forty (40) clock hour biennial requirement pertain to ethics and jurisprudence.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-22-102.

Rule 0450-01.12 Continuing Education is amended by deleting subparagraph (1)(d) in its entirety, substituting instead the following language, and adding a new subparagraph (1)(e) so that the subparagraphs as amended shall read:

- (d) Those persons supervising applicants for licensure under the provisions of 0450-01-.10 shall have three (3) clock hours of the twenty (20) clock hour biennial requirement pertain to counseling supervision or related supervision topics.
- (e) A person is not required to complete continuing education for a profession in the calendar year that his or her license was initially approved.

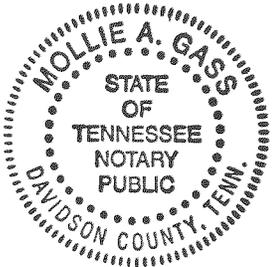
Authority: T.C.A. § 63-22-102.

Rule 0450-01.12 Continuing Education is amended by deleting subparagraph 3(b) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language, so that the subparagraphs as amended shall read:

- (b) A maximum of ten (10) clock hours may be received for multi-media courses during the two (2) calendar year period. Those persons who hold two (2) certificates and/or licenses regulated by the Tennessee Board for Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and Licensed Pastoral Therapists may receive a maximum of fifteen (15) clock hours for multi-media courses during the two (2) calendar year period. Those persons who hold three (3) certificates and/or licenses may receive a maximum of twenty (20) clock hours for multi-media courses during the two (2) calendar year period.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-22-102.

I certify that the information included in this filing is an accurate and complete representation of the intent and scope of rulemaking proposed by the agency.



My Commission Expires JULY 7, 2014

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