CHAPTER 214

EXAMINING AND LICENSING BOARDS

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214.04 SERVICES.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S. 1990]

Subd. 3. The executive director of each health-related board and the executive secretary of each non-health-related board shall be the chief administrative officer for the board but shall not be a member of the board. The executive director or executive secretary shall maintain the records of the board, account for all fees received by it, supervise and direct employees servicing the board, and perform other services as directed by the board. The executive directors, executive secretaries, and other employees of the following boards shall be hired by the board, and the executive directors or executive secretaries shall be in the unclassified civil service, except as provided in this subdivision:

- (1) dentistry;
- (2) medical examiners;
- (3) nursing:
- (4) pharmacy;
- (5) accountancy;
- (6) architecture, engineering, land surveying, and landscape architecture;
- (7) barber examiners;
- (8) cosmetology;
- (9) electricity;
- (10) teaching;
- (11) peace officer standards and training;
- (12) social work; and
- (13) marriage and family therapy.

The executive directors or executive secretaries serving the boards are hired by those boards and are in the unclassified civil service, except for part-time executive directors or executive secretaries, who are not required to be in the unclassified service. Boards not requiring full-time executive directors or executive secretaries may employ them on a part-time basis. To the extent practicable, the sharing of part-time executive directors or executive secretaries by boards being serviced by the same department is encouraged. Persons providing services to those boards not listed in this subdivision, except executive directors or executive secretaries of the boards and employees of the attorney general, are classified civil service employees of the department servicing the board. To the extent practicable, the commissioner shall ensure that staff services are shared by the boards being serviced by the department. If necessary, a board may hire part-time, temporary employees to administer and grade examinations.

[For text of subd 4, see M.S.1990]

History: 1991 c 292 art 2 s 67

214.10 COMPLAINTS; INVESTIGATION AND HEARING.

[For text of subds 1 to 8, see M.S.1990]

Subd. 9. Acts against minors. (a) As used in this subdivision, the following terms have the meanings given them.

- (1) "Licensed person" means a person who is licensed under this chapter by the board of nursing, the board of psychology, the social work licensing board, the board of marriage and family therapy, the board of unlicensed mental health service providers, or the board of teaching.
- (2) "Crime against a minor" means conduct that constitutes a violation of section 609.185, 609.19, 609.195, 609.20, 609.205, 609.21, 609.215, 609.221, 609.222, 609.223, 609.342, 609.343, 609.345, or a felony violation of section 609.377.
- (b) In any license revocation proceeding, there is a rebuttable presumption that a licensed person who is convicted in a court of competent jurisdiction of committing a crime against a minor is unfit to practice the profession or occupation for which that person is licensed.

History: 1991 c 265 art 9 s 62

214.101 CHILD SUPPORT; SUSPENSION OF LICENSE.

Subdivision 1. Court order; hearing on suspension. If a licensing board receives an order from a court under section 518.551, subdivision 12, dealing with suspension of a license of a person found by the court to be in arrears in child support payments, the board shall, within 30 days of receipt of the court order, provide notice to the licensee and hold a hearing. If the board finds that the person is licensed by the board and evidence of full payment of arrearages found to be due by the court is not presented at the hearing, the board shall suspend the license unless it determines that probation is appropriate under subdivision 2. The only issues to be determined by the board are whether the person named in the court order is a licensee, whether the arrearages have been paid, and whether suspension or probation is appropriate. The board may not consider evidence with respect to the appropriateness of the court order or the ability of the person to comply with the order. The board may not lift the suspension until the licensee files with the board proof showing that the licensee is current in child support payments.

- Subd. 2. **Probation.** If the board determines that the suspension of the license would create an extreme hardship to either the licensee or to persons whom the licensee serves, the board may, in lieu of suspension, allow the licensee to continue to practice the occupation on probation. Probation must be conditioned upon full compliance with the court order that referred the matter to the board. The probation period may not exceed two years, and the terms of probation must provide for automatic suspension of the license if the licensee does not provide monthly proof to the board of full compliance with the court order that referred the matter to the board or a further court order if the original order is modified by the court.
- Subd. 3. Revocation or reinstatement of probation. If the licensee has a modification petition pending before the court, the board may, without a hearing, defer a revocation of probation and institution of suspension until receipt of the court's ruling on the modification order. A licensee who was placed on probation and then automatically suspended may be automatically reinstated upon providing proof to the board that the licensee is currently in compliance with the court order.
- Subd. 4. Verification of payments. Before a board may terminate probation, remove a suspension, issue, or renew a license of a person who has been suspended or placed on probation under this section, it shall contact the court that referred the matter to the board to determine that the applicant is not in arrears for child support. The board may not issue or renew a license until the applicant proves to the board's satisfaction that the applicant is current in support payments.
- Subd. 5. Application. This section applies to support obligations ordered by any state, territory, or district of the United States.

History: 1991 c 292 art 5 s 4

NOTE: This section, as added by Laws 1991, chapter 292, article 5, section 4, is effective May 1, 1992. See Laws 1991, chapter 292, article 5, section 85, subdivision 4.

214.141 ADVISORY COUNCIL: MEMBERSHIP.

There is established a human services occupations advisory council to assist the commissioner of health in formulating policies and rules pursuant to section 214.13. The commissioner shall determine the council's duties and shall establish procedures for its proper functioning, including, but not limited to, methods for selecting temporary members and methods of communicating recommendations and advice to the commissioner for consideration. The council shall consist of no more than 15 members. Thirteen members shall be appointed by the commissioner, one of whom the commissioner shall designate as chair. The members shall be selected as follows: four members shall represent currently licensed or registered human services occupations; two members shall represent human services occupations which are not currently registered; two members shall represent licensed health care facilities, which can include a health maintenance organization as defined in section 62D.02; one member shall represent the higher education coordinating board; one member shall represent a third party payor to health care costs; and three members shall be public members as defined by section 214.02.

In cases in which the council has been charged by the commissioner to evaluate an application submitted under the provisions of section 214.13, the commissioner may appoint to the council as temporary voting members, for the purpose of evaluating that application alone, one or two representatives from among the appropriate licensed or registered human services occupations or from among the state agencies that have been identified under section 214.13, subdivision 2. In determining whether a temporary voting member or members should be appointed and which human services occupations or state agencies should be represented by temporary voting members, the commissioner shall attempt to systematically involve those who would be most directly affected by a decision to credential a particular applicant group and who are not already represented on the council. The terms of temporary voting members shall not exceed 12 months. The terms of the other council members, the compensation and removal of all members, and the expiration of the council shall be as provided in section 15.059.

History: 1991 c 345 art 2 s 45