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#### 214.01 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subds 1 to 2, see M.S.2006]

Subd. 3. Non-health-related licensing board. "Non-health-related licensing board" means the Board of Teaching established pursuant to section 122A.07, the Board of Barber Examiners established pursuant to section 154.001, the Board of Assessors established pursuant to section 270.41, the Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience, and Interior Design established pursuant to section 326.04, the Private Detective and Protective Agent Licensing Board established pursuant to section 326A.02, and the Peace Officer Standards and Training Board established pursuant to section 626.841.

History: 2007 c 140 art 12 s 6

#### 214.04 SERVICES.

Subdivision 1. Services provided. (a) The commissioner of education with respect to the Board of Teaching; the commissioner of public safety with respect to the Board of Private Detective and Protective Agent Services; the panel established pursuant to section 299A.465, subdivision 7; the Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training; and the commissioner of revenue with respect to the Board of Assessors, shall provide suitable offices and other space, joint conference and hearing facilities, examination rooms, and the following administrative support services: purchasing service, accounting service, advisory personnel services, consulting services relating to evaluation procedures and techniques, data processing, duplicating, mailing services, automated printing of license renewals, and such other similar services of a housekeeping nature as are generally available to other agencies of state government. Investigative services shall be provided the boards by employees of the Office of Attorney General. The commissioner of health with respect to the health-related licensing boards shall provide mailing and office supply services and may provide other facilities and services listed in this subdivision at a central location upon request of the healthrelated licensing boards. The commissioner of commerce with respect to the remaining nonhealth-related licensing boards shall provide the above facilities and services at a central location for the remaining non-health-related licensing boards. The legal and investigative services for the boards shall be provided by employees of the attorney general assigned to the departments servicing the boards. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the attorney general shall not be precluded by this section from assigning other attorneys to service a board if necessary in order to insure competent and consistent legal representation. Persons providing legal and investigative services shall to the extent practicable provide the services on a regular basis to the same board or boards.

(b) The requirements in paragraph (a) with respect to the panel established in section 299A.465, subdivision 7, expire July 1, 2008.

[For text of subds 2 and 2a, see M.S.2006]

Subd. 3. Officers; staff. 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

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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 Practice;
- (3) Nursing;
- (4) Pharmacy;
- (5) Accountancy;
- (6) Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience, and Interior Design;
  - (7) Barber Examiners:
  - (8) Cosmetology;
  - (9) Teaching;
  - (10) Peace Officer Standards and Training;
  - (11) Social Work;
  - (12) Marriage and Family Therapy;
  - (13) Dietetics and Nutrition Practice: and
  - (14) Licensed Professional Counseling.

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.2006]

**History:** 2007 c 140 art 12 s 7,8

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[For text of subds 1 to 7, see M.S.2006]

Subd. 8. **Dismissal of a complaint.** A complaint may not be dismissed without the concurrence of at least two board members and, upon the request of the complainant, a review by a representative of the attorney general's office. The designee of the attorney general must review before dismissal any complaints which allege any violation of chapter 609, any conduct which would be required to be reported under section 626.556 or 626.557, any sexual contact or sexual conduct with a client, any violation of a federal law, any actual or potential inability to practice the regulated profession or occupation by reason of illness, use of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, or any other materials, or as a result of any mental or physical condition, any violation of state medical assistance laws, or any disciplinary action related to credentialing in another jurisdiction or country which was based on the same or related conduct specified in this subdivision.

Subd. 9. **Information to complainant.** A board shall furnish to a person who made a complaint a written description of the board's complaint process, and actions of the board

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relating to the complaint. The written notice from the board must advise the complainant of the right to appeal the board's decision to the attorney general within 30 days of receipt of the notice.

[For text of subd 10, see M.S.2006]

History: 2007 c 123 s 129,130

NOTE: The amendments to subdivisions 8 and 9 by Laws 2007, chapter 123, sections 129 and 130 respectively, are effective August 1, 2009. Laws 2007, chapter 123, sections 129 and 130, the effective dates.

#### 214.32 PROGRAM OPERATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

Subdivision 1. **Management.** (a) A Health Professionals Services Program Committee is established, consisting of one person appointed by each participating board, with each participating board having one vote. The committee shall designate one board to provide administrative management of the program, set the program budget and the pro rata share of program expenses to be borne by each participating board, provide guidance on the general operation of the program, including hiring of program personnel, and ensure that the program's direction is in accord with its authority. If the participating boards change which board is designated to provide administrative management of the program, any appropriation remaining for the program shall transfer to the newly designated board on the effective date of the change. The participating boards must inform the appropriate legislative committees and the commissioner of finance of any change in the administrative management of the program, and the amount of any appropriation transferred under this provision.

- (b) The designated board, upon recommendation of the Health Professional Services Program Committee, shall hire the program manager and employees and pay expenses of the program from funds appropriated for that purpose. The designated board may apply for grants to pay program expenses and may enter into contracts on behalf of the program to carry out the purposes of the program. The participating boards shall enter into written agreements with the designated board.
- (c) An advisory committee is established to advise the program committee consisting of:
- (1) one member appointed by each of the following: the Minnesota Academy of Physician Assistants, the Minnesota Dental Association, the Minnesota Chiropractic Association, the Minnesota Licensed Practical Nurse Association, the Minnesota Medical Association, the Minnesota Nurses Association, and the Minnesota Podiatric Medicine Association;
- (2) one member appointed by each of the professional associations of the other professions regulated by a participating board not specified in clause (1); and
  - (3) two public members, as defined by section 214.02.

Members of the advisory committee shall be appointed for two years and members may be reappointed.

[For text of subds 2 to 5, see M.S.2006]

**History:** 2007 c 123 s 131