

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Hearing Date: July 31, 2015

Subject Matter of Proposed Regulations: Physician's and Surgeon's Licensing Examinations Minimum Passing Scores

Section(s) Affected: Division 13 of Title 16 California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 1328.1

Updated Information

The Initial Statement of Reasons is included in the file. No modifications have been made to the proposal since the filing of the Rulemaking Notice and the Initial Statement of Reasons.

Locale Mandate

A mandate is not imposed on local agencies or school districts.

Small Business Impact

The Board has determined that the proposed regulation would not have a significant adverse economic impact on small businesses. This determination was supported by the absence of comments or testimony indicating adverse economic impact regarding this rulemaking proposal.

Anticipated Benefits of this Proposal

The proposed regulation will provide clarity and improve efficiency regarding establishing the minimum passing score for each required licensing examination step.

Consideration of Alternatives

No reasonable alternative which was considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Board would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which it was proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the adopted regulation or would be more cost effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

Set forth below are the alternatives which were considered and the reasons each alternative was rejected or accepted:

1. Do not seek a change. This alternative was rejected because eliminating the need for a yearly resolution by the Board was deemed necessary for clarity and efficiency.
2. Adopt the proposed regulation. This alternative was determined to be the most appropriate since the proposed regulation will eliminate the need for a new resolution every year and provide the applicants clarification regarding the minimum passing score for each step of the approved licensing examinations.

Objections or Recommendations/Responses

Summary of Comments Received During the 45-Day Comment Period

No comments were received during the public comment period extending from June 5, 2015, through July 20, 2015.

Summary of Comments Received at the July 31, 2015 Hearing

No public comments were received at the July 31, 2015 hearing.