

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Health

Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners

Radiologic Technologists

(LAC 46: LXVI. Chapter 12)

Notice is hereby given that the Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners, pursuant to the authority of the Louisiana R.S. 37:3207 and in accordance with the provisions of the Louisiana Administrative Procedures Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., intends to amend its rules governing fees and expenses, LAC 46: LXVI Chapter 12. The proposed Rule changes are made in conjunction with 37: § 3218, which allow for the promulgation of a reasonable fee schedule for the issuance, renewal, or reinstatement of any license or permit, for administration of examinations for licensure, or for any other administrative function provided for in this Chapter. The fee schedule may be modified from time to time as deemed necessary by the board.

Title 46

PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Part LXVI. Radiologic Technologists

Chapter 12. Continuing Education Requirements

§1217. Fee and Expenses

A. The rules of this Chapter prescribe the fees and costs applicable to the licensing of radiologic technologists and permitting of Limited X-ray Machine Operators (LXMO).

B. For processing applications for licensure and permits, the following fees shall be payable to the board;

1. Initial two year radiographer, nuclear medicine, radiation therapy or fusion technologist license, \$150;

2. Duplicate license, \$25;

3. Biennial renewal of license, 2 years, or biennial renewal of LXMO permit, 2 years, \$150;

4. Issuance of ninety 90-day temporary radiographer, nuclear medicine, or radiation therapy working permit, 1-year temporary fusion technology permit, or 1-year temporary LXMO permit; \$50.00;

5. Late fee in addition to the renewal fee for a license or permit placed on an expired status using a postmark date, \$200;

6. Reinstatement of a license or LXMO two-year permit that has been revoked or suspended, \$300.

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6. Processing and handling a request for the board's endorsement of licensure or permit status to another state for

the purpose of reciprocity, \$50. All requests will be processed within 5 business days. Requests completed by the board will be mailed or emailed. No verbal responses will be provided;

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AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:3207 and 3220.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners, LR 21:181 (February 1995), amended LR 40:2266 (November 2014), amended by the Department of Health, Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners, LR 42:2191 (December 2016), amended by the Department of Health, Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners, **LR TBD**

Family Impact Statement

After considering R.S.49:972, it is anticipated that the proposed Rule change will have no significant effect on the;

1. family stability,
2. authority rights of parents regarding the education and supervision of their children,
3. family function,
4. family earnings and family budget,
5. behavior and personal responsibility of children; or,
6. ability of the family or a local government to perform the function as contained in the proposed rule.

Poverty Impact Statement

After considering R.S.49:973, it is anticipated that the proposed Rule change will have no significant effect on the;

1. household income, assets, and financial security,
2. early childhood or education development,
3. employment or workforce development,
4. taxes and tax credits; or
5. child and dependent care, health care, nutrition, transportation, and utilities assistance.

Provider Impact Statement

After considering HCR 170 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session, it is anticipated that the proposed Rule change will have no effect on the;

1. staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service,
2. total direct and indirect effect on the cost to the provider to provide the same level of service; or
3. overall effect on the ability of the provider to provide the same level of service.

Public Comments

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed Rule to: Executive Director, Louisiana State Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners, at 3108 Cleary Avenue, Suite 207, Metairie, LA 70002, 504-838-5231. The Executive Director is responsible for responding to inquiries. Written comments will be accepted until 3pm on April 10th, 2025.

Public Hearing

No public hearing on this proposed Rule has been scheduled. If a public hearing is needed, all interested parties will be afforded an opportunity to submit data, views, or arguments either orally or in writing. Interested parties may submit a written request to conduct a public hearing to the Executive Director, Louisiana State Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners, at 3108 Cleary Avenue, Suite 207, Metairie, LA 70002, or via email to execdirector@lsrte.org; however, such request must be received no later than 3pm on April 10th, 2025. Any person wishing to attend should call to confirm that a hearing is being held by calling 504-838-5231.

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Executive Director

Fiscal and Economic Impact Summary

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The cost for the Louisiana Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners is approximately \$900 in FY 25 for the notice and rule publication in the *Louisiana Register*. The board operates on self-generating revenue primarily from licensing renewal fees. Other than the cost of rulemaking, there are no estimated implementation costs or savings for state agencies resulting from the promulgation of the proposed rule changes.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule change will increase the radiologic technology license renewal fee from \$100 to \$150 per two-year period. It will also raise the temporary permit fee from \$10 to \$50 and establish an initial, one-year Limited X-ray Machine Operator temporary permit fee of \$50, and a Limited X-Ray Machine Operator (LXMO) two-year permit fee of \$150. Additionally, the late and administrative fee schedule will be updated. Currently late fees are determined by the time of the licensure renewal. The proposed late fee will be \$200, no matter when the time of renewal. The administrative fee change reflects the verification fee increasing from \$25 to \$50. These changes are expected to generate an additional \$163,000 to \$185,000 in self-generated revenue each fiscal year, starting in FY 26. The increased

revenue will support the Board's general operating expenses and fund upgrades to office infrastructure, enhancing efficiency and improving the licensing and permitting experience for applicants.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

The current radiologic technology licensing fee is \$100 for a two-year period. Proposed changes to the rule will increase the licensing fee to \$150 for a two-year period. In addition, the proposed changes will establish a Limited X-Ray Machine Operator (LXMO) temporary permit fee of \$50, and a two-year LXMO permit fee of \$150. The proposed rule changes will update administrative fees for certain services or transactions, resulting in a potential cost for licenses and permit holders in line with the board's cost of delivering those services. Currently late fees are determined by the time of the licensure renewal. The proposed late fee will be \$200, no matter when the time of renewal. The administrative fee change reflects the verification fee increasing from \$25 to \$50. The increase in fees is due to an increase in operating expenses of the board and in the future will be used by the board to upgrade its operational infrastructure which will create increased efficiency, greater consistency, and easier access of data to licensees and permit holders.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule changes will have no effect on competition or employment.

Hollie Taranto

Signature of Head or Designee

Hollie Taranto, Executive Director

Typed Name & Title of Agency Head or Designee

3/7/2025

Date of Signature

Latrice M. Murrell, Deputy Fiscal Officer

Legislative Fiscal Officer or Designee

3/10/2025

Date of Signature