

RULE 46 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES AND FEE WAIVERS

Act 1101 of 2021 requires an agency assessing or imposing a fee or penalty to promulgate the fee or penalty by rule.

Applications for License:

M.D./D.O.	\$500 (\$400 Application + \$100 CCVS Assessment)
Occupational Therapist	\$75
Occupational Therapist Assistant	\$50
Respiratory Therapist	\$75
Physician Assistant	\$80
PA-Supervising-Physician	\$50
Graduate-Registered-Physician-Supervising-Physician	\$50
Radiology Assistant	\$75
Radiology Practitioner Assistant	\$75
Licensed Genetic Counselor	\$90
Surgical Technologist	\$25
Medical Corporation	\$25

Temporary Permits:

M.D./D.O.	\$50
Occupational Therapist	\$25
Occupational Therapist Assistant	\$25
Respiratory Therapist	\$35
Physician Assistant	\$10
Licensed Genetic Counselor	\$50

License Renewal:

M.D./D.O.	\$220 one year/\$440 two years	(\$50 late fee per year)
Occupational Therapist	\$65	(\$25 late fee per year)
Occupational Therapist Assistant	\$65	(\$25 late fee per year)
Respiratory Therapist	\$40	(\$10 late fee per year)
Physician Assistant	\$50	(\$25 late fee per year)
Radiology Assistant	\$60	
Radiology Practitioner Assistant	\$60	
Licensed Genetic Counselor	\$100	(\$50 late fee per year)
Surgical Technologist	\$10	
Medical Corporation	\$10	

Miscellaneous:

Certification of License	\$15
Verification of License	\$0
Replacement of Wall Certificate	\$30
Criminal Background Check (State & Federal)	\$36.25
Return Check Fee	\$25
Board Orders	\$0

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Act 725 of 2021 requires the Board to waive the application fee if the applicant:

1. Is receiving assistance through the Arkansas Medicaid Program; the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children; the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program; or the Lifeline Assistance Program;
2. Was approved for unemployment within the last twelve (12) months; or
3. Has an income that does not exceed two hundred percent (200%) of the federal poverty income guidelines.

History: Act 1101 of 2021; Act 725 of 2021, implementation date _____.

State of Arkansas

As Engrossed: S3/10/21

93rd General Assembly

A Bill

Regular Session, 2021

SENATE BILL 153

By: Senators Gilmore, *B. Ballinger, Beckham, Bledsoe, B. Davis, Flipppo, T. Garner, K. Hammer, Hester, B. Johnson, D. Sullivan, C. Tucker, D. Wallace*

By: Representatives Ray, *Beaty Jr., M. Berry, Boyd, Brooks, Brown, Furman, Haak, McCollum, Underwood, Wardlaw*

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE THE WORKFORCE EXPANSION ACT OF 2021;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO CREATE THE WORKFORCE EXPANSION ACT OF
2021.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 4, Chapter 25, Subchapter 1, is amended
to add an additional section to read as follows:

4-25-110. Fee waiver for certain individuals.

(a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the initial filing fees, permit fees, and licensing fees associated with the formation of a business in this state shall be waived for applicants who meet the requirements in the Workforce Expansion Act of 2021, § 17-4-101 et seq.

(b) Appropriate state entities shall:

(1) Publish notice of the fee waiver on:

(A) The website maintained by the appropriate state entity; and

(B) Any relevant forms that an applicant is required to complete; and

(2) Promulgate any necessary rules to implement this section.



1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 17, is amended to add an additional
2 chapter to read as follows:

3 Chapter 4 – Workforce Expansion Act of 2021

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5 17-4-101. Title.

6 This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Workforce
7 Expansion Act of 2021".

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9 17-4-102. Legislative findings – Purpose.

10 (a) The General Assembly finds that:

11 (1) Entrepreneurs and workers must pay various fees in order to
12 work in a government-regulated profession or occupation or to start a small
13 business in Arkansas;

14 (2) Families trying to break the cycle of government dependency
15 should not have to pay the state to earn a living; and

16 (3) Arkansas should waive initial fees associated with
17 occupational and professional regulations and the formation of a business for
18 low-income individuals.

19 (b) It is the purpose of this chapter to increase access to
20 professional and occupational licenses that would otherwise be cost
21 prohibitive for certain individuals.

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23 17-4-103. Definitions.

24 As used in this chapter:

25 (1) "License" means a license, certificate, registration,
26 permit, or other form of authorization required by law or rule that is
27 required for an individual to engage in a particular occupation or
28 profession; and

29 (2)(A) "Licensing entity" means an office, board, commission,
30 department, council, bureau, or other agency of state government having
31 authority to license, certify, register, permit, or otherwise authorize an
32 individual to engage in a particular occupation or profession.

33 (B) "Licensing entity" does not include a political
34 subdivision of the state or any other local or regional governmental entity,
35 including without limitation a city of the first class, a city of the second
36 class, an incorporated town, or a county.

1 17-4-104. Fee waiver.

2 (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a licensing entity shall
3 not require an initial fee for individuals who are seeking to receive a
4 license in this state if the applicant:

5 (1) Is receiving assistance through the Arkansas Medicaid
6 Program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, the Special
7 Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children, the
8 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program, or the Lifeline Assistance
9 Program;

10 (2) Was approved for unemployment within the last twelve (12)
11 months; or

12 (3) Has an income that does not exceed two hundred percent
13 (200%) of the federal poverty income guidelines.

14 (b) The waiver of the initial fee does not include fees for:

15 (1) A criminal background check;

16 (2) An examination or a test; or

17 (3) A medical or drug test.

18 (c) The Department of Human Services and the Division of Workforce
19 Services shall collaborate with a licensing entity concerning verification of
20 eligibility for public benefits for applicants, which may include obtaining a
21 signed consent form from the applicant.

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23 17-4-105. Licensing entity duties.

24 A licensing entity shall:

25 (1) Publish notice of the fee waiver on:

26 (A) The website maintained by the licensing entity; and

27 (B) Any relevant forms that an applicant is required to
28 complete; and

29 (2) Promulgate any necessary rules to implement this chapter.
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31 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

32 SECTIONS 1 and 2 of this act shall be effective on and after January 1,
33 2022.
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35 /s/Gilmore

36 APPROVED: 4/15/21

1 State of Arkansas
2 93rd General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2021

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1582

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5 By: Representatives M. Hodges, L. Johnson, Cloud

For An Act To Be Entitled

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8 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A MULTIYEAR LICENSE OR
9 REGISTRATION FOR A PHYSICIAN BY THE ARKANSAS STATE
10 MEDICAL BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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14 TO AUTHORIZE A MULTIYEAR LICENSE OR
15 REGISTRATION FOR A PHYSICIAN BY THE
16 ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD.

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 95, Subchapter 4, is
22 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

23 17-95-414. Multiyear license or registration for physicians.

24 (a) The Arkansas State Medical Board shall offer a multiyear license
25 or registration for physicians as an option other than the annual renewal of
26 license or registration.

27 (b) Following initial licensure or registration, a physician may
28 request a multiyear license or registration for a period of two (2) years by
29 providing the following information to the board with the application:

30 (1) All information necessary for the licensure or registration
31 under law or rule to include proof of continuing medical education equivalent
32 to the period requesting; and

33 (2) Payment of the fees for licensure or registration for two
34 (2) years, if the requested licensure or registration is for a period of two
35 (2) years.
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1 SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Rules.

2 (a) The Arkansas State Medical Board shall promulgate rules necessary
3 to implement this act.

4 (b)(1) When adopting the initial rules to implement this act, the
5 final rule shall be filed with the Secretary of State for adoption under §
6 25-15-204(f):

7 (A) On or before January 1, 2022; or

8 (B) If approval under § 10-3-309 has not occurred by
9 January 1, 2022, as soon as practicable after approval under § 10-3-309.

10 (2) The board shall file the proposed rule with the Legislative
11 Council under § 10-3-309(c) sufficiently in advance of January 1, 2022, so
12 the Legislative Council may consider the rule for approval before January 1,
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State of Arkansas
93rd General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1937

By: Representative Gonzales

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES AND PENALTIES; TO AMEND THE LAW
CONCERNING REVIEW OF AGENCY RULES BY THE LEGISLATIVE
COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES AND PENALTIES; AND TO
AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REVIEW OF AGENCY
RULES BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 10-3-309(f), concerning review and approval
of state agency rules, is amended to add an additional subdivision read as
follows:

(4) A committee or subcommittee under this section considering a
rule containing a fee or penalty submitted in accordance with § 25-15-105 is
not required to state the grounds under subdivision (f)(1) of this section
when not approving a rule containing a fee or penalty, and may choose not to
approve a rule containing a fee or penalty submitted under § 25-15-105 for
any reason.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 25-15-105 is amended to read as follows:
25-15-105. Administrative fees and penalties.

(a) As used in this section, "agency" means the same as defined at §
25-15-202.



(b)(1) An agency shall not assess a fee or penalty without specific statutory authority to:

(A) Assess a certain type and amount of fee or penalty; or

(B) Impose a fee or penalty in general.

~~(2)(A) A fee or penalty established in the rules of an agency before the effective date of this section that does not comply with subdivision (b)(1) of this section may remain in effect until July 1, 2013, but shall not be increased above the amount established by the agency for that fee or penalty as of the effective date of this section~~ An agency assessing or imposing a fee or penalty shall promulgate the fee or penalty by rule.

(B) An agency is not required to promulgate a fee or penalty by rule if the specific amount of the fee or penalty is set by statute; and

(C) A rule assessing or imposing a fee or penalty shall be submitted to Legislative Council for review and approval before a fee or penalty may be assessed or imposed by the agency.

(c) Subsection (b) of this section does not affect an agency's authority to deny, suspend, and revoke licenses within its regulatory authority.

APPROVED: 5/3/21