Dear Senators HEIDER, Souza, Jordan, and Representatives WOOD, Packer, Chew:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the Bureau of Occupational Licenses - State Board of Podiatry: IDAPA 24.11.01 - Rules of the State Board of Podiatry - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 24-1101-1801).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 11/05/2018. If a meeting is called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 12/05/2018.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement, and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4854, or send a written request to the address on the memorandum attached below.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Health & Welfare Committee and the House Health & Welfare Committee
FROM: Legislative Research Analyst - Matt Drake
DATE: October 17, 2018
SUBJECT: Bureau of Occupational Licenses - State Board of Podiatry

IDAPA 24.11.01 - Rules of the State Board of Podiatry - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 24-1101-1801)

Summary and Stated Reasons for the Rule

The Bureau of Occupational Licenses submits notice of proposed rulemaking at IDAPA 24.11.01 relating to the Rules of the State Board of Podiatry. The Bureau states that the proposed rule will remove outdated language regarding continuing education requirements. The proposed rule expands continuing education options to include various formats, including lectures, conferences, seminars, moderator-guided panel discussions, clinical and practical workshops, internet-based learning, and home study. The proposed rule also removes language regarding rulemaking history.

Negotiated Rulemaking / Fiscal Impact

The Bureau states that negotiated rulemaking was not conducted because the proposed rule changes were discussed during noticed, open meetings of the Board. There is no fiscal impact.

Statutory Authority

The rulemaking appears to be authorized pursuant to sections 54-605 and 54-607, Idaho Code.

cc: Bureau of Occupational Licenses - State Board of Podiatry
    Tana Cory

*** PLEASE NOTE ***

Per the Idaho Constitution, all administrative rules must be reviewed by the Legislature during the next legislative session. The Legislature has 3 options with this rulemaking docket: 1) Approve the docket in its entirety; 2) Reject the docket in its entirety; or 3) Reject the docket in part.
AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Section 54-605, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than October 17, 2018.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

This proposed rule removes outdated language regarding continuing education (CE) requirements and rulemaking history. The proposed rule also removes the limit of CE that can be obtained online. Finally, the proposed rule expands CE options to include a variety of formats, such as lectures, conferences, seminars, moderator-guided panel discussions, clinical and practical workshops, internet based learning and home study.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: N/A

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: Pursuant to Section 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, negotiated rulemaking was not conducted because the proposed changes to these rules were discussed during noticed, open meetings of the Board.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: N/A

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Jennifer Carr at (208) 334-3233.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before October 24, 2018.

Dated this 29th day of August, 2018.

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED TEXT OF DOCKET NO. 24-1101-1801
(Only Those Sections With Amendments Are Shown.)

401. LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT (RULE 401).
Under Section 54-613, Idaho Code, applicants for licensure by endorsement may be granted a license upon the approval of the Board. Each applicant for licensure by endorsement must provide documentation for each of the following before licensure will be considered:

01. Complete Application. A complete application together with the required fee. (3-15-02)
02. Certification of License. Certification of having maintained a current license or other authority to practice issued by a regulatory board of Podiatry in any state or territory. (4-11-06)
03. Credentials. Credentials as required in Subsections 200.02 through 200.05. (3-29-10)
04. Examination. Successful passage of a written licensure examination covering all those subjects noted in Section 54-606, Idaho Code. Official certification of examination must be received by the board directly from:
   a. The applicant’s state or territory of licensure; or (3-15-02)
   b. The national board of podiatric medical examiners. (3-20-14)
05. Residency. Proof of completion of the residency requirement as set forth in Subsection 200.06 of this rule. However, if the applicant graduated from a college of podiatry prior to 1993, this requirement will be waived. (3-29-10)
06. Practical Experience. Having practiced podiatry under licensure for three (3) of the last five (5) years immediately prior to the date of application. (4-11-06)
07. Continuing Education. Having obtained at least twelve (12) hours of continuing education during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of application. Effective January 1, 2015, having obtained completed at least fifteen (15) hours of continuing education germane to the practice of podiatry during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of application. (3-20-14)
08. Disciplinary Action. Has not been the subject of any disciplinary action including pending or unresolved licensure actions within the last five (5) years immediately prior to application and has never had a license to practice podiatry revoked or suspended either voluntarily or involuntarily in any jurisdiction. (3-29-10)

700. CONTINUING EDUCATION (RULE 700).
01. Post-Graduate Education Requirement for License Renewal. Each podiatrist licensed by the state of Idaho shall attend in each twelve (12) month period preceding the renewal of a license to practice podiatry in Idaho, a minimum of twelve (12) full hours of post-graduate podiatry education courses. Effective January 1, 2015, each podiatrist licensed by the state of Idaho shall attend complete in each twelve-month period preceding the renewal of a license to practice podiatry in Idaho, a minimum of fifteen (15) full hours of post-graduate podiatry education courses. No more than ten (10) hours of continuing education may be obtained on-line Continuing education includes lectures, conferences, seminars, moderator-guided panel discussions, clinical and practical workshops, internet based learning and home study. Courses Education must be germane to the practice of
podiatry; and

a. Approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education; or  

b. Otherwise approved by the Board.  

02. Submission of License Renewal Application Form. Each licensed Idaho podiatrist will be furnished a license renewal application form by the Bureau of Occupational Licenses on which each podiatrist shall be required to certify by signed affidavit that compliance with the continuing education requirements has been met and shall submit the renewal application together with the required fees to the Bureau.  

03. Verification of Attendance Completion. It shall be necessary for each licensee to maintain verification of attendance completion by securing authorized signatures or other documentation from the course instructors or sponsoring institution substantiating any and all hours attended completed by the licensee. This verification shall be maintained by the licensee and provided to the Board upon the request of the Board or its agent. The Board will conduct random audits to monitor compliance. Failure to provide proof of meeting the continuing education upon request of the Board shall be grounds for disciplinary action.  

04. Carryover of Continuing Education Hours. Continuing education courses not claimed for credit in the current renewal year may be credited for the next renewal year. A maximum of fifteen (15) hours may be carried forward from the immediately preceding year.  

05. Special Exemption. The Board shall have authority to make exceptions for reasons of individual hardship, including health, when certified by a medical doctor, or for other good cause. The licensee must provide any information requested by the Board to assist in substantiating hardship cases. This exemption is granted at the sole discretion of the Board.