

TENNESSEE COUNCIL FOR LICENSING HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS

DATE: December 13, 2013

TIME: 9:00 A.M., CT

LOCATION: Health Related Boards
Poplar Room, Ground Floor
665 Mainstream Dr
Nashville, TN 37243

COUNCIL MEMBERS
PRESENT: Thomas Stewart, Hearing Instrument Specialist, Council Chair
Jerry Hall, Hearing Instrument Specialist
Randy Williams, Hearing Instrument Specialist
Frederick Rayne, M.D

STAFF
PRESENT: Charles Custer, Board Administrator
Alex Munderloh, Office of General Counsel

STAFF
ABSENT: Teddy Wilkins, Unit Director

Mr. Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A quorum was present.

This is a special meeting to hold a rule making hearing for Rule 1370-02-.08(4)(c), the so-called “3-Fail Rule”, regarding failing to pass the exams 3 times.

Prior to the rule making hearing, Mr. Custer advised the Council of some new information regarding the IHS exams that was time-sensitive. Mr. Custer advised that, due to the IHS push to convert the ILE National exam to a computer based test, the Council would need to restructure fees, as we currently collect a fee for the National exam. Additionally, we would need to clean up and reword some rules with regard to the fees and the IHS exam. The Council asked Mr. Munderloh to draft language and file the necessary paperwork to set a rule making hearing for this issue.

Rule Making Hearing

This special rule making hearing was called to order by Mr. Munderloh at 9:45 a.m. The Council held discussion regarding whether to delete or change the existing rule, due to confusion regarding the language of the rule. After discussing at length, Mr. Hall made a motion, seconded by Dr. Rayne to strike (delete) the existing rule. The motion was denied, and the rule will remain as is.

The rule making hearing was adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

Ratified by the Council of Hearing Instrument Specialists on June 26, 2014