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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Board of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology, Department of Health Professions
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	18VAC30-20-10 et seq.
Regulation title	Regulations Governing the Practice of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology
Action title	Renewal fee reduction
Final agency action date	4/11/13
Document preparation date	4/11/13

Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The Board has adopted a one-time reduction in fees for renewal of licensure by December 31, 2013 in order to reduce an accumulated surplus in its budget.

	Current fee	Reduced fee
1. Annual renewal of audiology or speech-language pathology license	\$75	\$55
2. Annual renewal of school speech-language pathology license	\$40	\$30
3. Inactive license renewal for audiology or speech-language pathology		\$30
4. Renewal of provisional license in audiology	\$25	\$20

This action is exempt from the Virginia Administrative Process Act in § 2.2-4006 A 7: "Regulations of the regulatory boards served by (i) the Department of Labor and Industry pursuant to Title 40.1 and (ii) the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation or the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Title 54.1 that are limited to reducing fees charged to regulants and applicants."

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

On April 11, 2013, the Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology amended 18VAC30-20-10 et seq., Regulations Governing the Practice of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology for a reduction in renewal fees.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

There is no impact on the family