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**AGENCY REPORT TO THE
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (JCAR)**

1. Agency Information

Agency name:

Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

Division/Bureau/Office:

Bureau of Professional Licensing

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2. Rule Set Information

MOAHR assigned rule set number:

2023-73 LR

Title of proposed rule set:

Optometry - General Rules

3. Purpose for the proposed rules and background:

This rule set pertains to the licensure, relicensure, and license renewals of optometrists.

The rules will be reviewed and amended as needed concerning the examination required for licensure. Additionally, continuing education rules will be reviewed and revised as needed to reflect the activities and continuing education providers and activities approved by the board. All rules will be reviewed and revised as needed to update rules and provide greater clarity.

4. Summary of proposed rules:

The proposed changes amend the definitions, update accreditation standards, clarify and revise continuing education requirements, and amend the testing requirements for licensure to align them with the changes that were made to the National Board of Examiners in Optometry examination.

5. List names of newspapers in which the notice of public hearing was published and publication dates:

The Flint Journal, June 30, 2024.

The Grand Rapids Press, June 30, 2024.

The Mining Journal, July 3, 2024.

6. Date of publication of rules and notice of public hearing in Michigan Register:

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7. Date, time, and location of public hearing:

8/8/2024 09:00 AM at UL-5 , 611 W. Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan

8. Provide the link the agency used to post the regulatory impact statement and cost-benefit analysis on its website:

<https://ARS.apps.lara.state.mi.us/Transaction/RFRTransaction?TransactionID=1500>

9. List of the name and title of agency representative(s) who attended the public hearing:

Kimmy Catlin, Board Support Technician, Boards and Committees Section, Bureau of Professional Licensing.

Weston MacIntosh, Departmental Specialist, Bureau of Professional Licensing.

10. Persons submitting comments of support:

None.

11. Persons submitting comments of opposition:

None.

12. Persons submitting other comments:

None.

13. Identify any changes made to the proposed rules based on comments received during the public comment period:

	Name & Organization	Comments made at public hearing	Written Comments	Agency Rationale for Rule Change and Description of Change(s) Made	Rule number & citation changed
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14. Date report completed:

9/11/2024