HOUSE BILL No. 1520

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 4-20.5-7-14; IC 5-22-22; IC 6-8.1-8-3; IC 9-32; IC 25-0.5; IC 25-1; IC 25-6.1; IC 25-8; IC 25-20; IC 25-21.8-4-5; IC 25-22.5-1-2; IC 25-23.6; IC 25-27.5-5; IC 25-34.1-3-2; IC 25-34.5-3-7; IC 25-35.6; IC 25-37-1-2; IC 32-29-7-1; IC 32-30-10-1; IC 34-6-2-13; IC 35-52-25; IC 36-1-11-4.

Synopsis: Professional licensing. Removes the following licensing provisions: (1) hearing aid dealers; (2) auctioneers and auction companies; and (3) electrologists. Removes specific courses required for certain behavioral health licensure. Replaces specific courses required for certain behavioral health licensure with a requirement that the program be nationally accredited. Makes conforming changes.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 4-20.5-7-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 14. (a) ~~As used in this section, "auctioneer" refers to an auctioneer licensed under IC 25-6.1.~~

~~(b)~~ Instead of taking bids, the department may engage an auctioneer to advertise the sale and to conduct a public auction of the property.

~~(c)~~ **(b)** The advertising by an auctioneer under this section must include a detailed description of the property to be sold.

~~(d)~~ **(c)** In addition to advertising given to the sale by an auctioneer, notice of the sale must be given as required by section 12 of this chapter.

~~(e)~~ **(d)** The transferring agency shall pay the costs of an auction conducted under this section.

SECTION 2. IC 5-22-22-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.58-2018, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), if the property to be sold is:

(1) one (1) item, with an estimated value of one thousand dollars

($1,000) or more; or

(2) more than one (1) item, with an estimated total value of five thousand dollars ($5,000) or more;

the purchasing agency may engage an auctioneer ~~licensed under IC 25-6.1~~ to advertise the sale and conduct a public auction.

(b) This subsection applies if the property to be sold is property that belongs to a state agency. If the property is not to be sold under section 4.5 of this chapter, the commissioner of the Indiana department of administration shall sell the property under this section. In engaging an auctioneer under this section, the commissioner shall give preference to an auctioneer to conduct the public auction who is also a resident of Indiana.

(c) The advertising by an auctioneer under this section must include a detailed description of the property to be sold.

(d) The purchasing agency shall pay an auctioneer who conducts a sale under this section from the gross proceeds of the sale received before other expenses and liens are paid.

SECTION 3. IC 5-22-22-4.7 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 4.7. (a) This section applies only if both of the following apply:~~

~~(1) The property to be sold is property that belongs to a state agency.~~

~~(2) The property will be sold under section 4.5 of this chapter.~~

~~(b) If the purchasing agency sells surplus property using an Internet auction site, in addition to the requirements for an Internet auction site under section 4.5 of this chapter, the purchasing agency shall give preference in selection of the Internet auction site to Internet auction sites owned or operated by a person licensed under IC 25-6.1.~~

SECTION 4. IC 6-8.1-8-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.118-2024, SECTION 22, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 3. (a) The county sheriff of a county shall attempt to levy on and collect a judgment arising from a tax warrant in that county for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the date the judgment lien is entered, unless the sheriff is relieved of that duty at an earlier time by the department. The sheriff shall also have authority to attempt to levy on and collect the outstanding tax liability if the taxpayer does not pay the amount demanded under section 2(b) of this chapter and the taxpayer has taken an action under section 2(n) of this chapter to foreclose the lien. The sheriff's authority to collect the warrant exists only while the sheriff holds the tax warrant, and if the sheriff surrenders the warrant to the department for any reason the sheriff's authority to collect that tax warrant ceases. During the period

that the sheriff has the duty to collect a tax warrant, the sheriff shall collect from the person owing the tax, an amount equal to the amount of the judgment lien plus the accrued interest to the date of the payment. Subject to subsection (b), the sheriff shall make the collection by garnisheeing the person's wages and by levying on and selling any interest in property or rights in any chose in action that the person has in the county. The Indiana laws which provide relief for debtors by exempting certain property from levy by creditors do not apply to levy and sale proceedings for judgments arising from tax warrants.

(b) A sheriff shall sell property to satisfy a tax warrant in a manner that is reasonably likely to bring the highest net proceeds from the sale after deducting the expenses of the offer to sell and sale. A sheriff may engage an auctioneer to advertise a sale and to conduct a public auction, unless the person being levied files an objection with the clerk of the circuit or superior court having the tax warrant within five (5) days of the day that the sheriff informs the person of the person's right to object. The advertising conducted by the auctioneer is in addition to any other notice required by law, and shall include a detailed description of the property to be sold. When an auctioneer is engaged under this subsection and the auctioneer files a verified claim with the clerk of the circuit or superior court with whom the tax warrant is filed, the sheriff may pay the reasonable fee and reasonable expenses of the auctioneer from the gross proceeds of the sale before other expenses and the judgment arising from the tax warrant are paid. ~~As used in this section, "auctioneer" means an auctioneer licensed under IC 25-6.1.~~

(c) The sheriff shall deposit all amounts that the sheriff collects under this section, including partial payments, into a special trust account for judgments collected that arose from tax warrants. The sheriff shall remit received payments through the department's direct electronic interface or by using the department's electronic payment sheriff portal. On the fifth and the twentieth day of each month, the sheriff shall disburse the money in the tax warrant judgment lien trust account in the following order:

(1) The sheriff shall pay the department the part of the collections that represents taxes, interest, and penalties.

(2) The sheriff shall pay the county treasurer and the clerk of the circuit or superior court the part of the collections that represents their assessed costs.

(3) Except as provided in subdivisions (4) and (5), the sheriff shall keep the part of the collections that represents the ten percent (10%) collection fee added under section 2(b) of this chapter.

(4) If the sheriff has entered a salary contract under IC 36-2-13-2.5, the sheriff shall deposit in the county general fund the part of the collections that represents the ten percent (10%) collection fee added under section 2(b) of this chapter.

(5) If the sheriff has not entered into a salary contract under IC 36-2-13-2.5, the sheriff shall deposit in the county general fund the part of the collections that:

(A) represents the ten percent (10%) collection fee added under section 2(b) of this chapter; and

(B) would, if kept by the sheriff, result in the total amount of the sheriff's annual compensation exceeding the maximum amount allowed under IC 36-2-13-17.

The department shall establish the procedure for the disbursement of partial payments so that the intent of this section is carried out.

(d) After the period described in subsection (a) has passed, the sheriff shall return the tax warrant to the department. However, if the department determines that:

(1) at the end of this period the sheriff is in the process of collecting the judgment arising from a tax warrant in periodic payments of sufficient size that the judgment will be fully paid within one (1) year after the date the judgment was filed; and

(2) the sheriff's electronic data base regarding tax warrants is compatible with the department's data base;

the sheriff may keep the tax warrant and continue collections.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the department may order a sheriff to return a tax warrant at any time, if the department feels that action is necessary to protect the interests of the state.

(f) This subsection applies only to the sheriff of a county having a consolidated city or a second class city. In such a county, the ten percent (10%) collection fee added under section 2(b) of this chapter shall be divided as follows:

(1) Subject to subsection (g), the sheriff may retain forty thousand dollars ($40,000), plus one-fifth (1/5) of any fees exceeding that forty thousand dollar ($40,000) amount.

(2) Two-fifths (2/5) of any fees exceeding that forty thousand dollar ($40,000) amount shall be deposited in the sheriff's department's pension trust fund.

(3) Two-fifths (2/5) of any fees exceeding that forty thousand dollar ($40,000) amount shall be deposited in the county general fund.

(g) If an amount of the collection fee added under section 2(b) of

this chapter would, if retained by the sheriff under subsection (f)(1), cause the total amount of the sheriff's annual compensation to exceed the maximum amount allowed under IC 36-2-13-17, the sheriff shall instead deposit the amount in the county general fund.

(h) Money deposited into a county general fund under subsections (c)(5) and (g) must be used as follows:

(1) To reduce any unfunded liability of a sheriff's pension trust plan established for the county's sheriff's department.

(2) Any amounts remaining after complying with subdivision (1) must be applied to the costs incurred to operate the county's sheriff's department.

SECTION 5. IC 9-32-2.1-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.104-2024, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 3. "Automobile auction company" means a person whose primary business consists of arranging, managing, sponsoring, advertising, hosting, carrying out, or otherwise facilitating the auction of more than three (3) motor vehicles or watercraft on the basis of bids by persons acting for themselves or others, within a twelve (12) month period. The term includes a place of business or facilities provided by an auctioneer as part of the business of the auctioneer for the purchase and sale of motor vehicles or watercraft on the basis of bids by persons acting for themselves or others. ~~The term does not include a person acting only as an auctioneer under IC 25-6.1-1.~~

SECTION 6. IC 9-32-11-11.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.284-2019, SECTION 34, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 11.5. (a) A person that is a licensed dealer in a state other than Indiana may apply for an out-of-state dealer special event permit from the secretary for a special event auction if the following conditions are met:

(1) The event is a motor vehicle auction conducted by an auctioneer. ~~licensed under IC 25-6.1-3.~~

(2) The motor vehicles to be auctioned are:

(A) at least fifteen (15) years old; or

(B) classified as classic, collector, or antique motor vehicles under rules adopted by the secretary.

(3) At least two hundred (200) motor vehicles will be auctioned during the special event.

(4) The person submits an application for a special event permit to the secretary not later than thirty (30) days prior to the beginning date of the special event auction.

(5) The application for the special event permit includes the following:

(A) Copies of licenses for all auctioneers for the special event auction.

(B) A copy of a valid dealer's license from the other state.

(C) Either of the following:

(i) An affidavit stating that the proposed location is zoned for the operation of a special event auction from the person charged with enforcing a zoning ordinance, or the zoning enforcement officer under IC 36-7-4 who has jurisdiction over the real property where the applicant wants to operate the special event auction.

(ii) If there is no person or officer under item (i), the application must be accompanied by a statement to that effect from the executive (as defined in IC 36-1-2-5) of the unit in which the real property is located.

(6) The applicant may file the affidavit or statement under subdivision (5)(C) at any time after the filing of the application. However, the secretary may not issue a special event auction permit until the applicant files the affidavit or the statement.

(7) The affidavit or statement may not be signed by a person described in subdivision (5)(C)(i) or the executive of a unit more than ninety (90) days before the affidavit or statement is submitted to the secretary as part of an application for a permit under this section.

(b) Not more than one (1) special event auction permit may be issued by the secretary to the same applicant within a twelve (12) month period.

(c) If the application for the special event permit is approved, the dealer must submit a fee of five hundred dollars ($500). The secretary shall retain the fee.

SECTION 7. IC 9-32-11-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.284-2019, SECTION 35, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 18. (a) A person licensed under this article shall be issued a special event permit from the secretary for a special event that meets the following conditions:

(1) The event is a motor vehicle auction conducted by auctioneers. ~~licensed under IC 25-6.1-3.~~

(2) The motor vehicles to be auctioned are:

(A) at least fifteen (15) years old; or

(B) classified as classic, collector, or antique motor vehicles under rules adopted by the secretary.

(3) At least one hundred (100) motor vehicles will be auctioned during the special event.

(4) The licensee submits to the secretary an application for a special event permit not later than thirty (30) days before the beginning date of the special event.

(5) The application under subdivision (4) includes the following:

(A) An affidavit stating that the proposed location is zoned for the operation of a special event auction from:

(i) the person charged with enforcing a zoning ordinance; or

(ii) a zoning enforcement officer under IC 36-7-4;

who has jurisdiction over the real property where the applicant wants to operate the special event auction.

(B) A fee of two hundred fifty dollars ($250). The fee shall be deposited as set forth in IC 9-32-7-3.

(b) If there is no person or officer under subsection (a)(5)(A), the application must be accompanied by a statement to that effect from the executive (as defined in IC 36-1-2-5) of the unit in which the real property is located.

(c) The applicant may file the affidavit or statement at any time after the filing of the application. However, the secretary may not issue a special event auction permit until the applicant files the affidavit or statement.

(d) The affidavit or statement may not be signed by a person described in subsection (a)(5)(A) or the executive of a unit described in subsection (b) more than ninety (90) days before the affidavit or statement is submitted to the secretary as part of an application for a permit under this section.

(e) Not more than two (2) special event permits may be issued by the secretary to the same applicant within a twelve (12) month period.

SECTION 8. IC 25-0.5-4-5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 5. The Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1) is a board under IC 25-1-4.~~

SECTION 9. IC 25-0.5-4-13 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 13. The committee of hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20-1-1.5) is a board under IC 25-1-4.~~

SECTION 10. IC 25-0.5-5-13 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 13. The Indiana professional licensing agency shall perform administrative functions, duties, and responsibilities for the committee of hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20) under IC 25-1-5-3(a).~~

SECTION 11. IC 25-0.5-7-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 4. The Indiana professional licensing agency shall perform administrative functions, duties, and responsibilities for the Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1) under IC 25-1-6-3(a).~~

SECTION 12. IC 25-0.5-8-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 4. An occupation for which a person is licensed, certified, or registered by the Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1) is a regulated occupation under IC 25-1-7.~~

SECTION 13. IC 25-0.5-9-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 4. The Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1) is a board under IC 25-1-8.~~

SECTION 14. IC 25-0.5-10-5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 5. The Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1) is a board under IC 25-1-8-6.~~

SECTION 15. IC 25-0.5-10-13 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 13. The committee of hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20-1-1.5) is a board under IC 25-1-8-6.~~

SECTION 16. IC 25-0.5-12-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 4. The Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2) is a board under IC 25-1-11.~~

SECTION 17. IC 25-1-9-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.36-2022, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2. (a) As used in this chapter, "practitioner" means an individual who holds:

(1) an unlimited license, certificate, or registration;
(2) a limited or probationary license, certificate, or registration;
(3) a temporary license, certificate, registration, or permit;
(4) an intern permit; or
(5) a provisional license;

issued by the board regulating the profession in question. ~~including a certificate of registration issued under IC 25-20.~~

(b) The term includes an individual who held:

(1) an unlimited license, certificate, or registration;
(2) a limited or probationary license, certificate, or registration;
(3) a temporary license, certificate, registration, or permit;
(4) an intern permit; or
(5) a provisional license;

issued by the board regulating the profession in question, ~~including a certificate of registration issued under IC 25-20,~~ when the alleged violation of this chapter occurred.

SECTION 18. IC 25-1-10.3-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.128-2022, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 5. (a) As used in this chapter, except as provided in subsection (b), "practitioner" means an individual who holds a license issued by a board described in IC 25-0.5-11. ~~including a certificate of registration issued under IC 25-20.~~

(b) The term does not include a veterinarian licensed under IC 25-38.1.

SECTION 19. IC 25-1-11-7 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 7. A practitioner licensed to practice auctioneering is subject to the disciplinary sanctions under section 12 of this chapter if, after a hearing, the board finds that the practitioner has failed to:~~

~~(1) account and to make payment under IC 25-6.1-6-2; or~~

~~(2) keep the funds of others separate from the practitioner's own private accounts.~~

SECTION 20. IC 25-6.1 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. (Auctioneers and Auctions).

SECTION 21. IC 25-8-2-2.6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2013, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2.6. "Beauty culture professional" refers to the following:

(1) A cosmetologist licensed under IC 25-8-9.

~~(2) An electrologist licensed under IC 25-8-10.~~

~~(3)~~ **(2)** A manicurist licensed under IC 25-8-11.

~~(4)~~ **(3)** An esthetician licensed under IC 25-8-12.5.

~~(5)~~ **(4)** An instructor licensed under IC 25-8-6.

~~(6)~~ **(5)** A beauty culturist licensed under IC 25-8-12.1.

SECTION 22. IC 25-8-2-9 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 9. "Electrologist" means a person licensed under IC 25-8-10 to provide electrolysis.~~

SECTION 23. IC 25-8-3-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.249-2019, SECTION 57, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 5. (a) Each of the members of the board must reside in Indiana.

(b) Subject to IC 25-1-6.5-3, the members of the board must meet the following qualifications:

(1) Two (2) of the members must:

(A) possess a current cosmetologist license; and

(B) have practiced cosmetology in Indiana continuously for at least five (5) years immediately before appointment.

(2) Two (2) of the members of the board must:

(A) possess a current barber license; and

(B) have practiced barbering in Indiana continuously for at least five (5) years immediately before appointment.

(3) One (1) of the members must be an owner or operator of a beauty culture school. However, the member may not be a licensed barber or cosmetologist.

(4) One (1) of the members must be licensed as ~~an electrologist,~~

an esthetician or a manicurist.

(5) One (1) of the members must not have any association with the practice of beauty culture, except as a consumer.

SECTION 24. IC 25-8-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.84-2010, SECTION 38, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2. (a) If the board determines that:

(1) a person possesses a valid license from another jurisdiction to perform acts that require a license under this article; and

(2) the jurisdiction issuing the license imposes substantially equal requirements on applicants for the license as are imposed on applicants for an Indiana license;

the board may issue a license to perform those acts in Indiana to that person upon payment of the fee required under IC 25-8-13.

(b) This subsection applies only to applications for a cosmetologist license under IC 25-8-9. If the jurisdiction issuing the license does not impose substantially equal requirements for education hours as required under subsection (a)(2), the board may approve the combination of education hours plus actual licensed practice in the other jurisdiction when issuing a license to a person from that jurisdiction. One (1) year of licensed practice is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed a minimum of one thousand (1,000) hours of education.

(c) This subsection applies only to applications for a manicurist license under IC 25-8-11. If the jurisdiction issuing a license does not impose substantially equal requirements for education hours as required under subsection (a)(2), the board may approve the combination of education hours plus actual licensed practice in the other jurisdiction when issuing a license to a person from that jurisdiction, as follows:

(1) For an applicant with less than twenty (20) years of actual licensed practice as a manicurist, one (1) year of licensed practice is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed at least three hundred (300) hours of education.

(2) For an applicant with twenty (20) or more years of actual licensed practice as a manicurist, one (1) year of licensed practice is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed at least one hundred (100) hours of education.

~~(d) This subsection applies only to applications for an electrologist license under IC 25-8-10. If the jurisdiction issuing a license does not impose substantially equal requirements for education hours as required under subsection (a)(2), the board may approve the~~

~~combination of education hours plus actual licensed practice in the other jurisdiction when issuing a license to a person from that jurisdiction. One (1) year of licensed practice as an electrologist is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed at least two hundred (200) hours of education.~~

~~(e)~~ **(d)** This subsection applies only to applications for an esthetician license under IC 25-8-12.5. If the jurisdiction issuing a license does not impose substantially equal requirements for education hours as required under subsection (a)(2), the board may approve the combination of education hours plus actual licensed practice in the other jurisdiction when issuing a license to a person from that jurisdiction. One (1) year of licensed practice as an esthetician is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed at least four hundred (400) hours of education.

~~(f)~~ **(e)** This subsection applies only to applications for a beauty culture instructor license under IC 25-8-6. If the jurisdiction issuing a license does not impose substantially equal requirements for education hours as required under subsection (a)(2), the board may approve the combination of education hours plus actual licensed practice in the other jurisdiction when issuing a license to a person from that jurisdiction. One (1) year of licensed practice as a beauty culture instructor is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed at least seven hundred (700) hours of education.

~~(g)~~ **(f)** This subsection applies only to applications for a barber license under IC 25-8-12.1. If the jurisdiction issuing the license does not impose substantially equivalent requirements as required under subsection (a)(2), the board may approve a combination of education hours plus actual licensed practice in the other jurisdiction when issuing a license to a person from that jurisdiction. One (1) year of licensed practice is equal to one hundred (100) hours of education to an applicant who has completed at least one thousand (1,000) hours of education.

SECTION 25. IC 25-8-6-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2013, SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 3. The application described in section 2 of this chapter must state that the applicant:

(1) is at least eighteen (18) years of age;

(2) has graduated from high school or received the equivalent of a high school education;

(3) holds a cosmetologist, ~~an electrologist,~~ a manicurist, a barber, or an esthetician license issued under this article;

(4) has completed the education and experience requirements subject to the rules adopted by the board;

(5) has not committed an act for which the applicant could be disciplined under IC 25-8-14;

(6) has received a satisfactory grade (as described in IC 25-8-4-9) on an examination for instructor license applicants prescribed by the board; and

(7) has paid the fee set forth in IC 25-8-13-4 for the issuance of a license under this chapter.

SECTION 26. IC 25-8-6-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2013, SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 6. A person who obtains an instructor license may provide instruction in the following:

(1) Cosmetology, if the person holds a cosmetologist license under IC 25-8-9.

~~(2) Electrology, if the person holds an electrologist license under IC 25-8-10.~~

~~(3)~~ **(2)** Manicuring, if the person holds a manicurist license under IC 25-8-11.

~~(4)~~ **(3)** Esthetics, if the person holds an esthetician license under IC 25-8-12.5.

~~(5)~~ **(4)** Barbering, if the person holds a barber license under IC 25-8-12.1.

SECTION 27. IC 25-8-10 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. (Electrologist Licenses).

SECTION 28. IC 25-8-13-8 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 8. (a) The board shall charge a fee established by the board under IC 25-1-8-2 for providing an examination to an applicant for an electrologist license.~~

~~(b) The board shall charge a fee established by the board under IC 25-1-8-2 for issuing or renewing an electrologist license. IC 25-1-2-6(c) applies to the issuance and renewal of an electrologist license.~~

~~(c) The board shall charge a fee established under IC 25-1-8-6 for reinstating an electrologist license.~~

~~(d) The board shall charge a fee established by the board under IC 25-1-8-2 for issuing a license to a person who holds an electrologist license from another jurisdiction that meets the requirements under IC 25-8-4-2.~~

SECTION 29. IC 25-8-14-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2013, SECTION 86, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 6. (a) A person who:

(1) is a cosmetologist, a manicurist, ~~an electrologist,~~ an esthetician, a barber, or an instructor; and

(2) knowingly performs any act authorized by a license issued under this article while the person has an infectious, a contagious, or a communicable disease that has been epidemiologically demonstrated to be transmitted through casual contact;

commits a Class C infraction.

(b) A person who knowingly attends a beauty culture school as a student while the person has an infectious, a contagious, or a communicable disease that has been epidemiologically demonstrated to be transmitted through casual contact commits a Class C infraction.

SECTION 30. IC 25-20 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. (Hearing Aid Dealers).

SECTION 31. IC 25-21.8-4-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.267-2017, SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 5. This article does not prohibit the following:

(1) An individual who has a license, registration, certificate, or permit from the state from acting within the scope of the individual's license, registration, certificate, or permit.

(2) An individual who participates in an approved training program for the purpose of acquiring a license, registration, certificate, or permit from the state from performing activities within the scope of the approved training program.

(3) A student of an approved massage therapy school from performing massage therapy under the supervision of the approved massage therapy school, if the student does not profess to be a licensed massage therapist.

(4) An individual's practice in one (1) or more of the following areas that does not involve intentional soft tissue manipulation:

(A) Alexander Technique.

(B) Feldenkrais.

(C) Reiki.

(D) Therapeutic Touch.

(5) An individual's practice in which the individual provides service marked bodywork approaches that involve intentional soft tissue manipulation, including:

(A) Rolfing;

(B) Trager Approach;

(C) Polarity Therapy;

(D) Ortho-bionomy; and

(E) Reflexology;

if the individual is approved by a governing body based on a

minimum level of training, demonstration of competency, and adherence to ethical standards.

(6) The practice of massage therapy by a person either actively licensed as a massage therapist in another state or currently certified by the National Certification Board of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork or other national certifying body if the person's state does not license massage therapists, if the individual is performing duties for a non-Indiana based team or organization, or for a national athletic event held in Indiana, so long as the individual restricts the individual's practice to the individual's team or organization during the course of the individual's or the individual's team's or the individual's organization's stay in Indiana or for the duration of the event.

(7) Massage therapists from other states or countries providing educational programs in Indiana for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days within a calendar year.

(8) An employee of a physician or a group of physicians from performing an act, a duty, or a function to which the exception described in ~~IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(20)~~ **IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(19)** applies.

(9) An employee of a chiropractor from performing an act, duty, or function authorized under IC 25-10-1-13.

(10) An employee of a podiatrist or a group of podiatrists from performing an act, duty, or function to which the exception described in IC 25-29-1-0.5(a)(13) applies.

(11) A dramatic portrayal or some other artistic performance or expression involving the practice of massage therapy.

(12) The practice of massage therapy by a member of an emergency response team during a period of active emergency response.

SECTION 32. IC 25-22.5-1-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.128-2022, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2. (a) This article, as it relates to the unlawful or unauthorized practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine, does not apply to any of the following:

(1) A student in training in a medical school approved by the board, or while performing duties as an intern or a resident in a hospital under the supervision of the hospital's staff or in a program approved by the medical school.

(2) A person who renders service in case of emergency where no fee or other consideration is contemplated, charged, or received.

(3) A paramedic (as defined in IC 16-18-2-266), an advanced emergency medical technician (as defined in IC 16-18-2-6.5), an

emergency medical technician (as defined in IC 16-18-2-112), or a person with equivalent certification from another state who renders advanced life support (as defined in IC 16-18-2-7), or basic life support (as defined in IC 16-18-2-33.5):

(A) during a disaster emergency declared by the governor under IC 10-14-3-12 in response to an act that the governor in good faith believes to be an act of terrorism (as defined in IC 35-31.5-2-329); and

(B) in accordance with the rules adopted by the Indiana emergency medical services commission or the disaster emergency declaration of the governor.

(4) Commissioned medical officers or medical service officers of the armed forces of the United States, the United States Public Health Service, and medical officers of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs in the discharge of their official duties in Indiana.

(5) An individual who is not a licensee who resides in another state or country and is authorized to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine there, who is called in for consultation by an individual licensed to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in Indiana.

(6) A person administering a domestic or family remedy to a member of the person's family.

(7) A member of a church practicing the religious tenets of the church if the member does not make a medical diagnosis, prescribe or administer drugs or medicines, perform surgical or physical operations, or assume the title of or profess to be a physician.

(8) A school corporation and a school employee who acts under IC 34-30-14 (or IC 34-4-16.5-3.5 before its repeal).

(9) A chiropractor practicing the chiropractor's profession under IC 25-10 or to an employee of a chiropractor acting under the direction and supervision of the chiropractor under IC 25-10-1-13.

(10) A dental hygienist practicing the dental hygienist's profession under IC 25-13.

(11) A dentist practicing the dentist's profession under IC 25-14.

~~(12) A hearing aid dealer practicing the hearing aid dealer's profession under IC 25-20.~~

~~(13)~~ **(12)** A nurse practicing the nurse's profession under IC 25-23. However, a certified registered nurse anesthetist (as defined in IC 25-23-1-1.4) may administer anesthesia if the certified registered nurse anesthetist acts under the direction of

and in the immediate presence of a physician.

~~(14)~~ **(13)** An optometrist practicing the optometrist's profession under IC 25-24.

~~(15)~~ **(14)** A pharmacist practicing the pharmacist's profession under IC 25-26.

~~(16)~~ **(15)** A physical therapist practicing the physical therapist's profession under IC 25-27.

~~(17)~~ **(16)** A podiatrist practicing the podiatrist's profession under IC 25-29.

~~(18)~~ **(17)** A psychologist practicing the psychologist's profession under IC 25-33.

~~(19)~~ **(18)** A speech-language pathologist or audiologist practicing the pathologist's or audiologist's profession under IC 25-35.6.

~~(20)~~ **(19)** An employee of a physician or group of physicians who performs an act, a duty, or a function that is customarily within the specific area of practice of the employing physician or group of physicians, if the act, duty, or function is performed under the direction and supervision of the employing physician or a physician of the employing group within whose area of practice the act, duty, or function falls. An employee may not make a diagnosis or prescribe a treatment and must report the results of an examination of a patient conducted by the employee to the employing physician or the physician of the employing group under whose supervision the employee is working. An employee may not administer medication without the specific order of the employing physician or a physician of the employing group. Unless an employee is licensed or registered to independently practice in a profession described in subdivisions (9) through ~~(18)~~ **(17),** nothing in this subsection grants the employee independent practitioner status or the authority to perform patient services in an independent practice in a profession.

~~(21)~~ **(20)** A hospital licensed under IC 16-21 or IC 12-25.

~~(22)~~ **(21)** A health care organization whose members, shareholders, or partners are individuals, partnerships, corporations, facilities, or institutions licensed or legally authorized by this state to provide health care or professional services as:

(A) a physician;

(B) a psychiatric hospital;

(C) a hospital;

(D) a health maintenance organization or limited service health maintenance organization;

(E) a health facility;
(F) a dentist;
(G) a registered or licensed practical nurse;
(H) a certified nurse midwife or a certified direct entry midwife;
(I) an optometrist;
(J) a podiatrist;
(K) a chiropractor;
(L) a physical therapist; or
(M) a psychologist.

~~(23)~~ **(22)** A physician assistant practicing the physician assistant profession under IC 25-27.5.

~~(24)~~ **(23)** A physician providing medical treatment under section 2.1 of this chapter.

~~(25)~~ **(24)** An attendant who provides attendant care services (as defined in IC 16-18-2-28.5).

~~(26)~~ **(25)** A personal services attendant providing authorized attendant care services under IC 12-10-17.1.

~~(27)~~ **(26)** A respiratory care practitioner practicing the practitioner's profession under IC 25-34.5.

(b) A person described in subsection (a)(9) through ~~(a)(18)~~ **(a)(17)** is not excluded from the application of this article if:

(1) the person performs an act that an Indiana statute does not authorize the person to perform; and

(2) the act qualifies in whole or in part as the practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine.

(c) An employment or other contractual relationship between an entity described in subsection ~~(a)(21)~~ **(a)(20)** through ~~(a)(22)~~ **(a)(21)** and a licensed physician does not constitute the unlawful practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine under this article if the entity does not direct or control independent medical acts, decisions, or judgment of the licensed physician. However, if the direction or control is done by the entity under IC 34-30-15 (or IC 34-4-12.6 before its repeal), the entity is excluded from the application of this article as it relates to the unlawful practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine.

(d) This subsection does not apply to a prescription or drug order for a legend drug that is filled or refilled in a pharmacy owned or operated by a hospital licensed under IC 16-21. A physician licensed in Indiana who permits or authorizes a person to fill or refill a prescription or drug order for a legend drug except as authorized in IC 16-42-19-11 through IC 16-42-19-19 is subject to disciplinary action under IC 25-1-9. A person who violates this subsection commits the unlawful practice of

medicine or osteopathic medicine under this chapter.

(e) A person described in subsection (a)(8) shall not be authorized to dispense contraceptives or birth control devices.

(f) Nothing in this section allows a person to use words or abbreviations that indicate or induce an individual to believe that the person is engaged in the practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine.

SECTION 33. IC 25-23.6-8-2.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.15-2023, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2.5. ~~(a)~~ An applicant for a license as a marriage and family therapist under section 1 of this chapter or an applicant for a license as a marriage and family therapist associate under section 1.5 of this chapter must complete the following educational requirements:

(1) ~~Except as provided in subsection (b),~~ Graduate course work that must include graduate level course credits **from a program accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Therapy Education.** ~~with material in at least the following content areas:~~

~~(A) Theoretical foundations of marriage and family therapy.~~

~~(B) Major models of marriage and family therapy.~~

~~(C) Individual development.~~

~~(D) Family development and family relationships.~~

~~(E) Clinical problems.~~

~~(F) Collaboration with other disciplines.~~

~~(G) Sexuality.~~

~~(H) Gender and sexual orientation.~~

~~(I) Issues of ethnicity, race, socioeconomic status, and culture.~~

~~(J) Therapy techniques.~~

~~(K) Behavioral research that focuses on the interpretation and application of research data as it applies to clinical practice.~~

~~The content areas may be combined into any one (1) graduate level course.~~

(2) Graduate course work in the following areas:

(A) Legal, ethical, and professional standards issues in the practice of marriage and family therapy or an equivalent course approved by the board.

(B) Appraisal and assessment for individual or interpersonal disorder or dysfunction.

(3) At least one (1) supervised clinical practicum, internship, or field experience in a marriage and family counseling setting that meets the following requirements:

(A) The applicant provided during at least twelve (12) months of clinical practice, at least three hundred (300) face to face

client contact hours, of which at least one hundred (100) hours must be relational, under the supervision of a licensed marriage and family therapist who has at least five (5) years of experience or a qualified supervisor approved by the board.

(B) The applicant received one hundred (100) hours of supervision from a licensed marriage and family therapist who has at least five (5) years experience as a qualified supervisor.

The requirements under clauses (A) and (B) may be met by a supervised practice experience that took place away from an institution of higher education but that is certified by an official of the eligible postsecondary educational institution as being equivalent to a graduate level practicum or internship program at an institution accredited by an accrediting agency approved by the United States Department of Education Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Education, the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, or the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education.

~~(b) The following graduate work may not be used to satisfy the content area requirements under subsection (a):~~

~~(1) Thesis or dissertation work.~~

~~(2) Practicums, internships, or fieldwork.~~

SECTION 34. IC 25-23.6-8.5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.149-2022, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 3. An applicant as a mental health counselor under section 1 of this chapter or a mental health counselor associate under section 1.5 of this chapter must complete the following educational requirements:

(1) Graduate course work in counseling **from a program accredited through the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs.** ~~that must include either a master's degree or a doctor's degree in counseling. The graduate course work must include the following content areas:~~

~~(A) Human growth and development.~~

~~(B) Social and cultural foundations of counseling.~~

~~(C) Helping relationship, including counseling theory and practice.~~

~~(D) Group dynamics, processes, counseling, and consultation.~~

~~(E) Lifestyle and career development.~~

~~(F) Assessment and appraisal of individuals.~~

~~(G) Research and program evaluation.~~

~~(H) Professional orientation and ethics.~~

~~(I) Foundations of mental health counseling.~~

~~(J) Contextual dimensions of mental health counseling.~~

~~(K) Knowledge and skills for the practice of mental health counseling and psychotherapy.~~

~~(L) Clinical instruction.~~

(2) Not less than one (1) supervised clinical practicum, internship, or field experience in a counseling setting, which must include a minimum of seven hundred (700) clock hours consisting of one (1) practicum of one hundred (100) hours, and one (1) internship of six hundred (600) hours with at least sixty-six (66) hours of face to face supervision. This requirement may be met by a supervised practice experience that took place away from an eligible postsecondary educational institution but that is certified by an official of the eligible postsecondary educational institution as being equivalent to a clinical mental health graduate level practicum or internship program at an institution accredited by an accrediting agency approved by the United States Department of Education or the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

SECTION 35. IC 25-23.6-10.5-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.142-2020, SECTION 28, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 1. An individual who applies for a license as an addiction counselor must meet the following requirements:

(1) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has:

(A) received a baccalaureate or higher degree in addiction counseling or in a related area as determined by the board from:

(i) an eligible postsecondary educational institution that meets the requirements under section ~~3(1)~~ **3(1)(A)** of this chapter; or

(ii) a foreign school that has a program of study that meets the requirements under section ~~3(2)~~ ~~or~~ ~~3(3)~~ **3(1)(B) or 3(1)(C)** of this chapter; **and**

~~(B) completed the educational requirements under section 5 of this chapter; and~~

~~(C)~~ **(B)** completed the experience requirements under section 7 of this chapter.

(2) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual does not have a:

(A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in

IC 35-50-1-2); or

(B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice competently.

(3) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has not been the subject of a disciplinary action by a licensing or certification agency of another state or jurisdiction on the grounds that the individual was not able to practice as an addiction counselor without endangering the public.

(4) Pass an examination established by the board.

(5) Pay the fee established by the board.

SECTION 36. IC 25-23.6-10.5-1.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.142-2020, SECTION 29, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 1.5. (a) An individual who applies for a license as an addiction counselor associate must meet the following requirements:

(1) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has

~~(A)~~ received a baccalaureate or higher degree in addiction counseling, or in a related area as determined by the board from:

~~(i)~~ **(A)** an eligible postsecondary educational institution that meets the requirement under section ~~3(1)~~ **3(1)(A)** of this chapter; or

~~(ii)~~ **(B)** a foreign school that has a program of study that meets the requirement under section ~~3(2)~~ ~~or~~ ~~3(3)~~ **3(1)(B) or 3(1)(C)** of this chapter. ~~and~~

~~(B) completed the educational requirements under section 5 of this chapter.~~

(2) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual does not have a:

(A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in IC 35-50-1-2); or

(B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice competently.

(3) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has not been the subject of a disciplinary action by a licensing or certification agency of another state or jurisdiction on the grounds that the individual was not able to practice as an addiction counselor associate without endangering the public.

(4) Pass an examination established by the board.

(5) Pay the fee established by the board.

(b) The board shall issue an associate temporary permit to practice

addiction counseling or clinical addiction counseling to an individual who:

(1) meets the educational requirements for a license as an addiction counselor or clinical addiction counselor;

(2) is pursuing the required clinical supervisory hours for a license as an addiction counselor or clinical addiction counselor; and

(3) pays a fee for the temporary permit set by the board.

An associate temporary permit issued under this subsection expires one (1) year after the date the permit is issued, without regard to the number of times the individual passes or fails the required examination to become a licensed addiction counselor or clinical addiction counselor. The temporary permit may not be renewed.

SECTION 37. IC 25-23.6-10.5-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.142-2020, SECTION 30, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2. An individual who applies for a license as a clinical addiction counselor must meet the following requirements:

(1) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has:

(A) received a master's or doctor's degree in addiction counseling, addiction therapy, or a related area as determined by the board from an eligible postsecondary educational institution that meets the requirements under section ~~4(a)(1)~~ **4(a)(1)(A)** of this chapter or from a foreign school that has a program of study that meets the requirements under section ~~4(a)(2) or 4(a)(3)~~ **4(a)(1)(B) or 4(a)(1)(C)** of this chapter; **and**

~~(B) completed the educational requirements under section 6 of this chapter; and~~

~~(C)~~ **(B)** completed the experience requirements under section 8 of this chapter.

(2) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual does not have a:

(A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in IC 35-50-1-2); or

(B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice competently.

(3) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has not been the subject of a disciplinary action by a licensing or certification agency of another state or jurisdiction on the grounds that the individual was not able to practice as a clinical addiction counselor without endangering the public.

(4) Pass an examination established by the board.

(5) Pay the fee established by the board.

SECTION 38. IC 25-23.6-10.5-2.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.142-2020, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2.5. An individual who applies for a license as a clinical addiction counselor associate must meet the following requirements:

(1) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has

~~(A)~~ received a master's or doctor's degree in addiction counseling, or in a related area as determined by the board from:

~~(i)~~ **(A)** an eligible postsecondary educational institution that meets the requirements under section ~~4(a)(1)~~ **4(a)(1)(A)** of this chapter; or

~~(ii)~~ **(B)** a foreign school that has a program of study that meets the requirements under section **4(a)(1)(B) or 4(a)(1)(C)** of this chapter. ~~and~~

~~(B) completed the education requirements under section 6 of this chapter.~~

(2) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual does not have a:

(A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in IC 35-50-1-2); or

(B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice competently.

(3) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has not been the subject of a disciplinary action by a licensing or certification agency of another state or jurisdiction on the grounds that the individual was not able to practice as a clinical addiction counselor associate without endangering the public.

(4) Pass an examination established by the board.

(5) Pay the fee established by the board.

SECTION 39. IC 25-23.6-10.5-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.122-2009, SECTION 29, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 3. An applicant under section 1 of this chapter must **satisfy the following:**

(1) Have a baccalaureate or higher degree in addiction counseling or in a related area as determined by the board from an eligible postsecondary educational institution that meets the following requirements:

~~(1)~~ **(A)** If the institution is located in the United States or a

territory of the United States, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution was accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation.

~~(2)~~ **(B)** If the institution is located in Canada, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution was a member in good standing with the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

~~(3)~~ **(C)** If the institution is located in a foreign country other than Canada, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution:

~~(A)~~ **(i)** was recognized by the government of the country where the school was located as a program to train in the practice of addiction counseling; and

~~(B)~~ **(ii)** maintained a standard of training substantially equivalent to the standards of institutions accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation.

(2) Complete at least one (1) supervised practicum, internship, or field experience in an addiction counseling setting that requires the applicant to provide at least three hundred fifty (350) hours of addiction counseling services.

SECTION 40. IC 25-23.6-10.5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.49-2019, SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 4. (a) An applicant under section 2 of this chapter must **satisfy the following:**

(1) Have a master's or doctor's degree in addiction counseling, addiction therapy, or a related area as determined by the board from an eligible postsecondary educational institution that meets the following requirements:

~~(1)~~ **(A)** If the institution is located in the United States or a territory of the United States, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution was accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

~~(2)~~ **(B)** If the institution is located in Canada, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution was a member in good standing with the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

~~(3)~~ **(C)** If the institution is located in a foreign country other than Canada, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution:

~~(A)~~ **(i)** was recognized by the government of the country where the school was located as a program to train in the practice of addiction counseling; and

~~(B)~~ **(ii)** maintained a standard of training substantially equivalent to the standards of institutions accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation.

(2) Complete at least one (1) supervised clinical practicum, internship, or field experience in an addiction counseling setting that requires the applicant to provide seven hundred (700) hours of clinical addiction counseling services and that must include the following:

(A) Two hundred eighty (280) face to face client contact hours of addiction counseling services under the supervision of a qualified supervisor, as determined by the board.

(B) Thirty-five (35) hours of supervision from a qualified supervisor, as determined by the board.

However, an applicant who has completed a clinical practicum, an internship, or field experience to obtain another license under this article is not required to complete the clinical addiction counseling services hours required under this subdivision.

(b) An applicant under section 2 of this chapter who has a master's or doctor's degree from a program that did not emphasize addiction counseling may complete the course work requirement from an institution that is:

(1) accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs;

(2) recognized by the National Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors;

(3) recognized by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium;

(4) accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Marriage and Family Therapy Education;

(5) accredited by the American Psychological Association's Commission on Accreditation;

(6) accredited by the Council on Social Work Education;

(7) accredited by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission; or

(8) approved by the board as a substantially equivalent program.

SECTION 41. IC 25-23.6-10.5-5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE

JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 5. (a) An applicant under section 1 of this chapter must complete the following educational requirements:~~

~~(1) Course work from an eligible postsecondary educational institution that includes the following content areas:~~

~~(A) Addictions theory.~~

~~(B) Psychoactive drugs.~~

~~(C) Addictions counseling skills.~~

~~(D) Theories of personality.~~

~~(E) Developmental psychology.~~

~~(F) Abnormal psychology.~~

~~(G) Group work.~~

~~(H) Cultural competency.~~

~~(I) Ethics and professional development.~~

~~(J) Family education.~~

~~(K) Areas of content as approved by the board.~~

~~(2) At least one (1) supervised practicum, internship, or field experience in an addiction counseling setting that requires the applicant to provide at least three hundred fifty (350) hours of addiction counseling services.~~

~~(b) The content areas under subsection (a)(1) may be combined into any one (1) college level course.~~

SECTION 42. IC 25-23.6-10.5-6 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 6. (a) An applicant under section 2 of this chapter must complete the following educational requirements:~~

~~(1) Graduate course work that must include graduate level course credits with material in at least the following content areas:~~

~~(A) Addiction counseling theories and techniques.~~

~~(B) Psychopharmacology.~~

~~(C) Psychopathology.~~

~~(D) Clinical appraisal and assessment.~~

~~(E) Theory and practice of group addiction counseling.~~

~~(F) Counseling addicted family systems.~~

~~(G) Multicultural counseling.~~

~~(H) Research methods in addictions.~~

~~(I) Areas of content as approved by the board.~~

~~(2) Graduate course work in the following areas:~~

~~(A) Legal, ethical, and professional standards issues in the practice of addiction counseling and therapy or an equivalent course approved by the board.~~

~~(B) Appraisal and assessment for individual or interpersonal disorder or dysfunction.~~

~~(3) At least one (1) supervised clinical practicum, internship, or~~

~~field experience in an addiction counseling setting that requires the applicant to provide seven hundred (700) hours of clinical addiction counseling services and that must include the following:~~

~~(A) Two hundred eighty (280) face to face client contact hours of addiction counseling services under the supervision of a qualified supervisor, as determined by the board.~~

~~(B) Thirty-five (35) hours of supervision from a qualified supervisor, as determined by the board.~~

~~However, an applicant who has completed a clinical practicum, an internship, or field experience to obtain another license under this article is not required to complete the clinical addiction counseling services hours required under this subdivision.~~

~~(4) Any qualifications established by the board under subsection (c).~~

~~(b) The content areas under subsection (a)(1) may be combined into any one (1) graduate level course.~~

~~(c) The board shall adopt rules to establish any additional educational or clinical qualifications as specified by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs or a successor organization.~~

SECTION 43. IC 25-23.6-10.5-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.83-2024, SECTION 24, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 9. (a) As used in this section, "term" refers to an academic semester, trimester, or quarter.

(b) An individual who satisfies the requirements of sections 4 ~~6,~~ and 8 of this chapter may take the licensed clinical addiction counselor examination established by the board.

(c) An individual who satisfies the requirements of sections 3 ~~5,~~ and 7 of this chapter may take the licensed addiction counselor examination established by the board.

(d) An individual who:

(1) is enrolled in the last term of the last year of a program leading to a degree that meets the requirements of section 1.5(a)(1) of this chapter; and

(2) provides a letter of good standing from the director of the addiction counselor department or the director's designee;

may take the examination provided by the board for a license as an addiction counselor associate.

(e) An individual who:

(1) is enrolled in the last term of the last year of a program leading to a degree that meets the requirements of section 2.5(1) of this chapter; and

(2) provides a letter of good standing from the director of the addiction counselor department or the director's designee;

may take the examination provided by the board for a license as a clinical addiction counselor associate.

(f) A letter of good standing provided under subsection (d)(2) or (e)(2) by an individual who applies for a license as an addiction counselor associate or clinical addiction counselor associate must include the following information:

(1) The individual's first and last name.

(2) The type of degree and program in which the individual is enrolled.

(3) A statement confirming that the individual is currently in the final term of the program.

(4) The anticipated date of completion of the program.

(5) A statement confirming that the individual is in good academic standing.

SECTION 44. IC 25-23.6-10.5-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.122-2009, SECTION 29, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 11. (a) An individual who applies for an addiction counselor license under this article may be exempted by the board from the examination requirement under section 1 of this chapter if the individual:

(1) is licensed or certified as an addiction counselor in another state and has passed a licensing examination substantially equivalent to the licensing examination required under this article;

(2) has engaged in the practice of addiction counseling for at least three (3) of the previous five (5) years;

(3) has passed an examination pertaining to the addiction counseling laws and rules of Indiana; and

(4) has not committed any act and is not under investigation for any act that constitutes a violation of this article;

and is otherwise qualified under sections 1, 3, ~~5,~~ and 7 of this chapter.

(b) An individual who applies for a clinical addiction counselor license under this article may be exempted by the board from the examination requirement under section 2 of this chapter if the individual:

(1) is licensed or certified as a clinical addiction counselor in another state and has passed a licensing examination substantially equivalent to the licensing examination required under this article;

(2) has passed an examination pertaining to the addiction therapy

laws and rules of Indiana; and

(3) has not committed any act and is not under investigation for any act that constitutes a violation of this article;

and is otherwise qualified under sections 2, 4, ~~6,~~ and 8 of this chapter.

SECTION 45. IC 25-27.5-5-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.247-2019, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 1. (a) This chapter does not apply to the practice of other health care professionals set forth under IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(1) through ~~IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(19).~~ **IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(18).**

(b) This chapter does not exempt a physician assistant from the requirements of IC 16-41-35-29.

SECTION 46. IC 25-27.5-5-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.247-2019, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2. (a) A physician assistant:

(1) must engage in a dependent practice with a collaborating physician; and

(2) may not be independent from the collaborating physician, including any of the activities of other health care providers set forth under IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(1) through ~~IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(19).~~ **IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(18).**

A physician assistant may perform, under a collaborative agreement, the duties and responsibilities that are delegated by the collaborating physician and that are within the collaborating physician's scope of practice, including prescribing and dispensing drugs and medical devices. A patient may elect to be seen, examined, and treated by the collaborating physician.

(b) If a physician assistant determines that a patient needs to be examined by a physician, the physician assistant shall immediately notify the collaborating physician or physician designee.

(c) If a physician assistant notifies the collaborating physician that the physician should examine a patient, the collaborating physician shall:

(1) schedule an examination of the patient unless the patient declines; or

(2) arrange for another physician to examine the patient.

(d) A collaborating physician or physician assistant who does not comply with subsections (b) and (c) is subject to discipline under IC 25-1-9.

(e) A physician assistant's collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician must:

(1) be in writing;

(2) include all the tasks delegated to the physician assistant by the

collaborating physician;

(3) set forth the collaborative agreement for the physician assistant, including the emergency procedures that the physician assistant must follow; and

(4) specify the protocol the physician assistant shall follow in prescribing a drug.

(f) The physician shall submit the collaborative agreement to the board. The physician assistant may prescribe a drug under the collaborative agreement unless the board denies the collaborative agreement. Any amendment to the collaborative agreement must be resubmitted to the board, and the physician assistant may operate under any new prescriptive authority under the amended collaborative agreement unless the agreement has been denied by the board.

(g) A physician or a physician assistant who violates the collaborative agreement described in this section may be disciplined under IC 25-1-9.

SECTION 47. IC 25-34.1-3-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.45-2016, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in:

(1) subsection (b);

(2) section 8(i) of this chapter; and

(3) section 11 of this chapter;

no person shall, for consideration, sell, buy, trade, exchange, option, lease, rent, manage, list, or appraise real estate or negotiate or offer to perform any of those acts in Indiana or with respect to real estate situated in Indiana, without a license.

(b) This article does not apply to:

(1) acts of an attorney which constitute the practice of law;

(2) performance by a public official of acts authorized by law;

(3) acts of a receiver, executor, administrator, commissioner, trustee, or guardian, respecting real estate owned or leased by the person represented, performed pursuant to court order or a will;

(4) rental, for periods of less than thirty (30) days, of rooms, lodging, or other accommodations, by any commercial hotel, motel, tourist facility, or similar establishment which regularly furnishes such accommodations for consideration;

(5) rental of residential apartment units by an individual employed or supervised by a licensed broker;

(6) rental of apartment units which are owned and managed by a person whose only activities regulated by this article are in relation to a maximum of twelve (12) apartment units which are located on a single parcel of real estate or on contiguous parcels

of real estate;

(7) referral of real estate business by a broker or referral company which is licensed under the laws of another state, to or from brokers licensed by this state;

(8) acts performed by a person in relation to real estate owned by that person unless that person is licensed under this article, in which case the article does apply to that person;

(9) acts performed by a regular, full-time, salaried employee of a person in relation to real estate owned or leased by that person unless the employee is licensed under this article, in which case the article does apply to that person;

~~(10) conduct of a sale at public auction by a licensed auctioneer pursuant to IC 25-6.1;~~

~~(11)~~ **(10)** sale, lease, or other transfer of interests in cemetery lots;

~~(12)~~ **(11)** acts of a broker, who is licensed under the laws of another state, which are performed pursuant to, and under restrictions provided by, written permission that is granted by the commission in its sole discretion, except that such a person shall comply with the requirements of section 5(c) of this chapter; and

~~(13)~~ **(12)** the performance of an evaluation of real property by an employee, an officer, a director, or a member of a credit or loan committee of a financial institution, or by any other person engaged by a financial institution, in a transaction for which the financial institution would not be required to use the services of a state licensed appraiser under regulations adopted under Title XI of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (12 U.S.C. 3331 et seq.).

SECTION 48. IC 25-34.5-3-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.11-2023, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 7. This article does not affect the applicability of ~~IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(20).~~ **IC 25-22.5-1-2(a)(19).**

SECTION 49. IC 25-35.6-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.149-2022, SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 4. Nothing in this article shall be construed as preventing or restricting the following:

(1) A physician or surgeon from engaging in the practice of medicine in this state, or a person under the supervision and control of a physician or surgeon from conducting hearing testing, provided such a person is not called an audiologist.

~~(2) Any hearing aid dealer from:~~

~~(A) engaging in the testing of hearing and other practices and procedures necessary for the business for which the dealer is~~

~~registered in this state under IC 25-20-1; and~~

~~(B) using the title hearing aid specialist or any similar title or description of service.~~

~~(3)~~ **(2)** Any person licensed or registered in this state by any other law from engaging in the profession or occupation for which the person is licensed or registered.

~~(4)~~ **(3)** A person employed as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist by the government of the United States, if such person performs speech-language pathology or audiology services solely within the confines or under the jurisdiction of the governmental organization by which the person is employed. However, such person may, without obtaining a license under this article, consult with or disseminate the person's research findings and other scientific information to speech-language pathologists and audiologists outside the jurisdiction of the organization by which the person is employed. Such person may also offer instruction and lectures to the public without being licensed under this article. Such person may additionally elect to be subject to this article.

~~(5)~~ **(4)** The activities and services of persons pursuing a course of study leading to a degree in speech-language pathology or audiology at a postsecondary educational institution, if:

(A) such activities and services constitute a part of a supervised course of study;

(B) such person is designated speech-language pathology or audiology intern, speech-language pathology or audiology trainee, or by other such titles clearly indicating the training status appropriate to the person's level of training; and

(C) the person works only under the supervision of a speech-language pathologist or audiologist licensed under this article.

~~(6)~~ **(5)** The activities and services of persons fulfilling the clinical experience requirement of section 5(2)(B)(ii) or 6(3)(B) of this chapter, if such activities and services constitute a part of the experience required for that section's fulfillment.

~~(7)~~ **(6)** The performance of pure tone air conduction testing by an industrial audiometric technician, as defined by federal law, who is working in an industrial hearing conservation program directed by a physician or an audiologist.

~~(8)~~ **(7)** The performance of speech-language pathology or audiology services in this state by any person not a resident of this state who is not licensed under this article, if such services are

performed:

(A) under IC 25-35.6-5; or

(B) for no more than five (5) days in any calendar year and in cooperation with a speech-language pathologist or audiologist licensed under this article, and if such person meets the qualifications and requirements for application for licensure described in section 5(1) and 5(2) or 6(1) and 6(2) of this chapter.

However, a person not a resident of this state who is not licensed under this article or practicing under IC 25-35.6-5, but who is licensed under the law of another state which has established licensure requirements at least equivalent to those established by section 5 or 6 of this chapter or who is the holder of a certificate of clinical competence in speech-language pathology or audiology or its equivalent issued by a nationally recognized association for speech-language or hearing, may offer speech-language pathology or audiology services in this state for no more than one hundred eighty (180) days in any calendar year, if such services are performed in cooperation with a speech-language pathologist or audiologist licensed under this article.

SECTION 50. IC 25-35.6-4-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.178-2014, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 1. (a) This section does not apply to a prescription or order by a person who:

(1) is licensed, certified, registered, or regulated by a board listed in IC 25-1-9-1; and

(2) has authority to issue a prescription or order for a hearing aid.

(b) A person may not sell, lease, or rent a hearing aid ~~(as defined in IC 25-20-1-1)~~ in Indiana unless the hearing aid has been fitted in person by ~~any of the following:~~

~~(1) A hearing aid dealer who has been issued a certificate of registration under IC 25-20.~~

~~(2)~~ an audiologist who is licensed under this article.

(c) A person who violates this section commits a Class B infraction.

SECTION 51. IC 25-37-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2. "Transient merchant", when used in this chapter, includes all persons, firms, limited liability companies, and corporations, both as principals and agents, who engage in, do, or transact any temporary or transient business in this state, either in one (1) locality or in traveling from place to place in this state, offering for sale or selling goods, wares, or merchandise, and those who, for the purpose of carrying on such

business, hire, lease, or occupy any permanent or mobile building, structure, or real estate for the exhibition by means of samples, catalogues, photographs, and price lists or sale of such goods, wares, or merchandise. The term does not include: ~~the following:~~

(1) any person, individual, copartner, limited liability company, or corporation which grows the goods, wares, or merchandise that is sold or offered for sale;

(2) a person who makes crafts or items by hand and sells them or offers them for sale;

~~(3) an auctioneer who is licensed under IC 25-6.1;~~

~~(4)~~ **(3)** a resident of the county in which the sale takes place who conducts a sale of tangible personal property for no more than four (4) days per calendar year;

~~(5)~~ **(4)** an organization that is exempt from the Indiana gross retail tax under IC 6-2.5-5-26;

~~(6)~~ **(5)** a person who:

(A) sells merchandise;

(B) offers to sell merchandise; and

(C) provides proof that the sale is being conducted as part of an activity sponsored by an organization described in subdivision ~~(5)~~ **(4);**

~~(7)~~ **(6)** a person who:

(A) organizes;

(B) sells merchandise at;

(C) offers to sell merchandise at; or

(D) exhibits at;

a trade show or convention; **or**

~~(8)~~ **(7)** except as provided in section 15 of this chapter, a person who holds a registered retail merchant's certificate under IC 6-2.5-8.

SECTION 52. IC 32-29-7-1 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "auctioneer" means an auctioneer licensed under IC 25-6.1.~~

SECTION 53. IC 32-30-10-1 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "auctioneer" means an auctioneer licensed under IC 25-6.1.~~

SECTION 54. IC 34-6-2-13 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 13. "Auctioneer", for purposes of IC 34-55-6, means an auctioneer licensed under IC 25-6.1.~~

SECTION 55. IC 35-52-25-5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 5. IC 25-6.1-7-1 defines a crime concerning auctioneers and auctions.~~

SECTION 56. IC 35-52-25-6 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 6.~~ IC ~~25-6.1-7-2 defines a crime concerning auctioneers and auctions.~~

SECTION 57. IC 35-52-25-19 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]. ~~Sec. 19.~~ ~~IC 25-20-1-21 defines a crime concerning hearing aid dealers.~~

SECTION 58. IC 36-1-11-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.251-2015, SECTION 33, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 4. (a) A disposing agent who wants to sell or transfer real property must comply with this section, except as permitted by section 4.1, 4.2, 5, 5.5, 5.7, 5.9, 8, 14, 15, or 18 of this chapter.

(b) The disposing agent shall first have the property appraised by two (2) appraisers. The appraisers must be:

(1) professionally engaged in making appraisals;

(2) licensed under IC 25-34.1; or

(3) employees of the political subdivision familiar with the value of the property.

(c) After the property is appraised, the disposing agent shall determine a minimum bid for the property based on the appraisals and the disposing agent's knowledge of the property, publish a notice in accordance with IC 5-3-1 setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale, including the minimum bid, and, when subsection (e) is employed, may engage an auctioneer ~~licensed under IC 25-6.1~~ to advertise the sale and to conduct a public auction. The advertising conducted by the auctioneer is in addition to any other notice required by law and shall include a detailed description of the property to be sold stating the key numbers, if any, of the tracts within that property. If the disposing agent determines that the best sale of the property can be made by letting the bidders determine certain conditions of the sale (such as required zoning or soil or drainage conditions) as a prerequisite to purchasing the property, the disposing agent may permit the bidders to specify those conditions. The notice must state the following:

(1) Bids will be received beginning on a specific date.

(2) The sale will continue from day to day for a period determined by the disposing agent of not more than sixty (60) days.

(3) The property may not be sold to a person who is ineligible under section 16 of this chapter.

(4) A bid submitted by a trust (as defined in IC 30-4-1-1(a)) must identify each:

(A) beneficiary of the trust; and

(B) settlor empowered to revoke or modify the trust.

(d) A bid must be open to public inspection. A bidder may raise the bidder's bid, and subject to subsection (e), that raise takes effect after the board has given written notice of that raise to the other bidders.

(e) The disposing agent may also engage an auctioneer ~~licensed under IC 25-6.1~~ to conduct a sale by public auction. The auction may be conducted either at the time for beginning the sale in accordance with the public notice or after the beginning of the sale. The disposing agent shall give each bidder who has submitted a bid written notice of the time and place of the auction.

(f) The disposing agent may, before expiration of the time set out in the notice, sell the property to the highest and best bidder. The highest and best bidder must have complied with any requirement under subsection (c)(4). The disposing agent may reject all bids. If the disposing agent rejects all bids, the disposing agent must make a written determination to reject all bids explaining why all bids were rejected.

(g) If the disposing agent determines that, in the exercise of good business judgment, the disposing agent should hire a broker or auctioneer to sell the property, the disposing agent may do so and pay the broker or auctioneer a reasonable compensation out of the gross proceeds of the sale. A disposing agent may hire a broker to sell real property directly rather than using the bid process under subsections (c) through (f) if:

(1) in the case of a political subdivision other than a school corporation:

(A) the disposing agent publishes a notice of the determination to hire the broker in accordance with IC 5-3-1; and

(B) the property has been up for bid for at least sixty (60) days before the broker is hired, and either no bids were received or the disposing agent has rejected all bids that were received; or

(2) in the case of a school corporation, the disposing agent publishes a notice of the determination to hire the broker in accordance with IC 5-3-1.

The disposing agent may hire one (1) of the appraisers as the broker or auctioneer.

(h) The following apply if a broker is hired under subsection (g):

(1) The property may not be sold to a person who is ineligible under section 16 of this chapter.

(2) If the property is sold to a trust (as defined in IC 30-4-1-1(a)), the following information must be placed in the public record relating to the sale:

(A) Each beneficiary of the trust.

(B) Each settlor empowered to revoke or modify the trust.

(i) A disposing agent may conduct a public auction under this section solely by electronic means, referred to in this subsection as an electronic sale. A disposing agent that elects to conduct an electronic sale may receive electronic payments and establish policies necessary to secure the payments in a timely fashion. The disposing agent may not charge an additional fee for conducting an electronic sale. If a disposing agent chooses to conduct a public auction as an electronic sale, the notice required by subsection (c) must include a statement declaring this fact.