



Coming Changes

At the April 2008 Board Meeting, the Rules Committee submitted proposed rule changes to the Board. The changes were accepted and will be posted on the website. Please visit our website to view the proposed changes! If you have comments or suggestions you may submit them in writing to patty.glenn@state.or.us or present them at the Rules Hearing at 1:00pm on June 19, 2008 at OBMT. Comments must be received by the close of the hearing.

Wanting New Faces - Examiners Needed

While the Board has a full pool of examiners scheduled through the end of 2008, we are looking for some new faces for 2009. If you are an LMT, have had your license for a minimum of one year and are interested in serving as an examiner please visit the website for a Statement of Interest Form or contact Kathryn at kathryn.watson@state.or.us.

HB2513—Gift Certificate Expirations FAQ's

Following the February 2008 BOARDerline there was an overwhelming response to the information on the implementation of HB2513, which provides guidelines for the use of expiration dates on gift certificates/cards. The staff felt it important to provide clarification to some of the frequently asked questions.

Question: Why did the Board create this law?

Answer: The Board did not initiate or provide input regarding HB2513. Please refer to the bill for a list of sponsors.

Question: Why does this law only apply to massage therapists?

Answer: HB2513 affects ALL businesses in Oregon, not just Massage Therapists.

Question: What are the consequences for not following the guidelines of the bill?

Answer: The bill indicates it is an unlawful practice to sell a gift certificate/card outside the requirements of the law. This means you would be committing an unlawful trade practice violation. Please refer to the bill for clarity of the requirements.

Question: What do I do with a gift certificate/gift card that is not in compliance?

Answer: In short, an individual would file a small claim or civil suit. There is also the consumer protection section of the Oregon Department of Justice that deals with unlawful trade practice violation. Unlawful trade practice is a violation of OAR 334-030-0025.

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NEW WEBSITE

Check out our new look! We welcome any feedback or suggestions for improvement you have. The new website address is oregon.gov/OBMT.



QUESTIONS?

The Board is seeking questions to answer. Do you have questions about renewal, scope of practice, rules and laws, etc. where an answer would be helpful to others? Email, fax or mail your questions to Crystal. Her email is crystal.quatier@state.or.us or fax 503-385-4465. Then watch the next e-BOARDerline.

Get Involved

Want to get involved with the profession? Become a committee member. If you are interested, now is the time to act!

The Board has three Committees: Rules, Education/Scope of Practice, and Exam. If one of these grabs your interest, please visit our website for the Committee Interest Form or e-mail Kathryn at kathryn.watson@state.or.us.