

## Consultant Examination Change

As of August 1, 2005, the consultant examination will be administered as a **one-part / one-score** 180 question examination. This rule change fosters an increase in a consultant examinee's chances of successful passage of the examination and allows for an increase in the number of consultants able to provide income tax services in Oregon.

Content of the consultant's examination will not change. The consultant examination will continue to test an individual's ability to provide advanced services to consumers concerning their personal income taxes and cover the subject matters of: Federal personal income tax law; Oregon personal income tax law; theory and practice; the provisions of ORS 673.735 and the Code of Professional Conduct.

The rule schedule for this rule change as well as the April 26, 2005, rule hearing outcome can be viewed by accessing the following link:

[http://egov.oregon.gov/OTPB/oregon\\_administrative\\_rulemaking.shtml](http://egov.oregon.gov/OTPB/oregon_administrative_rulemaking.shtml)

**\*\*\* If you have passed one-part of the consultants examination:\*\*\***

If you have previously taken the **two-part/two-score** examination and passed one part (A or B) you only have until August 1, 2005, to successfully complete the part in which you previously failed. As of August 1, 2005, the new rule will be in effect and you will be required to successfully complete the entire 180 question **one-part/one-score** consultant examination to be able to apply for licensure as a consultant in the State of Oregon.

**Please Note:** For up-to-date information and to stay informed on upcoming/current proposed rule changes, retain the link above for your reference. The Board of Tax Practitioners is committed to keeping licensees informed and encourages all licensees to provide comment via attendance at scheduled rule hearings and/or by written submission to the board office during the public comment period established for all proposed rule changes. Public comment periods and rulemaking hearings can be viewed on established rulemaking schedules.