TEMPORARY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & JUSTIFICATION

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CHAPTER 337
BOARD OF MEDICAL IMAGING

FILING CAPTION: Provide a process to obtain a third temporary license or permit during a declared emergency

EFFECTIVE DATE: 04/07/2020 THROUGH 09/01/2020

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S):
The need for medical imaging professionals is crucial during a declared emergency. The ability to take national exams may be limited or impossible during times of an emergency. This rule provides for a process for a temporary license or permit holder to obtain a third temporary license or permit under the authority of the executive director, eliminating the delay of necessitating a Board meeting.

JUSTIFICATION OF TEMPORARY FILING:
During a declared emergency, additional medical imaging professionals are desired to serve the medical needs of the public. These professionals help to ensure the health and well-being of Oregonians and should this rule not be adopted immediately, patients might suffer from not being cared for. As a result of the emergency, many agencies are shut down or are experiencing delays in executing duties. The inability to take national exams may cause delays for the Board to issue licenses and permits. During this time of emergency, the need for medical imaging professionals is immediate and delaying the adoption of this rule would cause an unnecessary delay in keeping these medical imaging professionals working in the medical care system in Oregon. The OBMI Administrative Rules allow for medical imaging professionals to have two temporary consecutive licenses or permits, a third, if desired requires a Board discussion and vote. This temporary rule would allow for the expedited application process and issuance of third temporary licenses and permits that medical imaging professionals need during this emergency.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE:
ORS 688.405-688.990

ADOPT: 337-010-0049

RULE TITLE: Temporary Licensure During a Declared Emergency

RULE SUMMARY: The intention of this rule is to provide a process for a person who holds an OBMI issued temporary license or permit to renew that license or permit for a third time due to circumstances that have arisen as a result of a declared emergency.
The Executive Director has the authority to issue a third temporary license or permit during a declared disaster or emergency if needed due to circumstances that have arisen as a result of the declared disaster or emergency.

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 688.555, ORS 688.520
STATUTES/OTHER IMPLEMENTED: ORS 688.520