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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & FISCAL IMPACT

CHAPTER 850

OREGON BOARD OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

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ARCHIVES DIVISION SECRETARY OF STATE

FILING CAPTION: Unlicensed Practice of Naturopathic Medicine

LAST DAY AND TIME TO OFFER COMMENT TO AGENCY: 06/21/2026 8:00 AM

The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

A public rulemaking hearing may be requested in writing by 10 or more people, or by a group with 10 or more members, within 21 days following the publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Oregon Bulletin or 28 days from the date the Notice was sent to people on the agency mailing list, whichever is later. If sufficient hearing requests are received, the notice of the date and time of the rulemaking hearing must be published in the Oregon Bulletin at least 14 days before the hearing.

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S):

Define Unlicensed Practice of Naturopathic Medicine

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE:

Public meeting minutes and public meeting recording available on the Board website

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE:

This rule will not affect racial equity in this state

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

There is no fiscal or economic impact

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the

rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

There is no cost of compliance to this rule

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

Public notice of a public board meeting when this rule was discussed

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? NO IF NOT, WHY NOT?

Public notice of a public board meeting when this rule was discussed

ADOPT: 850-010-0360

RULE SUMMARY: Create a rule defining Unlicensed Practice of Naturopathic Medicine

CHANGES TO RULE:

850-010-0360

Unlicensed Practice of Naturopathic Medicine Prohibited

(1) No person shall practice naturopathic medicine within the meaning of ORS 685.010, without an active license from the Board.¶

(2) A person holding a doctoral degree from a naturopathic medical school or program, may only practice naturopathic medicine within the meaning of ORS 685.010, under the direct supervision of an active Oregon licensee.¶

(3) Only a person holding an active Oregon license may use the terms "naturopathic doctor" "naturopathic physician" or "ND"

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 685

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 685.010