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Department of Justice Attn: Civil Division- Occupational Licensing Review Program olrp@ag.louisiana.gov

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. 49:260, please accept this letter as a submission of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiner's proposed Retired Physicians regulations for review by the Louisiana Department of Justice as part of the Occupational Licensing Review Program.

The Board's authority arises from La. R.S. 49:952 *et seq.* of the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act and from R.S. 37:2863 of the Louisiana Medical Practice Act. The Board proposes to amend its rules governing Retired Physician. The proposed amendments revise board proposes to amend its rules on licensure and certification to add a new §417(D) to provide for a retired physician license and to establish criteria therefor; to amend §418(C) relative to reduced fee licenses and to add a new (D) creating a reduced fee license for retired physicians; to amend §435 to require 10 hours of continuing medical education (CME) for physicians holding a retired physician license under §417(D); and to amend §447 relative to exceptions to CME requirements, to amend relative to active military service outside the state of Louisiana; to amend to specify full CME after initial exemption year for those initially licensed on basis of examination; and to amend to change wording from "retired physician" to one holding a "reduced fee license" under §418.

To aide your review, the following documents are attached:

- ➤ Notice of Intent and full text of the proposed rule published in the March 2025 *Louisiana Register*, 51 LR431;
- > Approved fiscal and economic impact statement;
- ➤ Underline/strikethrough version of the proposed occupational regulation; and
- > Completed Rule Submission Form.

Please note that we received no public comments by email, fax, US Mail or other carrier during the public comment period, and no one requested a public hearing to give testimony or comment on the proposed amendments. One edit was made to §417(A) to correctly reflect that licenses are to be renewed annually on the *last* day of the month in which the licensee was born, and no the *first* day as it originally erroneously stated.

If you have any questions about the enclosed information or our procedures, please contact

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Sincerely,

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