OCCUPATIONAL CODE (EXCERPT) Act 299 of 1980

ARTICLE 1

339.101 Short title.

Sec. 101. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "occupational code".

History: 1980, Act 299, Imd. Eff. Oct. 21, 1980.

Compiler's note: For transfer of powers and duties of certain occupational functions, boards, and commissions from the Department of Licensing and Regulation to the Department of Commerce, see E.R.O. No. 1991-9, compiled at MCL 338.3501 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

For transfer of rule-making authority of occupational and health occupation boards and related task forces from the department of commerce to the director of the department of consumer and industry services, see E.R.O. No. 1996-2, compiled at MCL 445.2001 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

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339.102 Meanings of words.

Sec. 102. For purposes of this act, the words defined in sections 103 to 105 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

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339.103 Definitions; A to C.

Sec. 103. (1) "Armed forces" means the United States Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Space Force, or Coast Guard or other military force designated by Congress as a part of the Armed Forces of the United States, including the reserve components.

- (2) "Board" means, in each article that deals with a specific occupation, the agency created in that article composed principally of members of the regulated occupation. In all other contexts, board means each agency created under this act.
- (3) "Censure" means an expression of disapproval of a licensee's or registrant's professional conduct, which conduct is not necessarily a violation of this act or a rule promulgated or an order issued under this act.
- (4) "Competence" means a degree of expertise that enables a person to engage in an occupation at a level that meets or exceeds minimal standards of acceptable practice for the occupation.
 - (5) "Complaint" means an oral or written grievance.
- (6) "Controlled substance" means a drug, substance, or immediate precursor as set forth in section 7212, 7214, 7216, 7218, or 7220 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7212, 333.7214, 333.7216, 333.7218, and 333.7220, not excluded under section 7227 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7227.

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339.104 Definitions; D to K.

Sec. 104. (1) "Department" means the department of licensing and regulatory affairs.

- (2) "Dependent" means a spouse, surviving spouse, child under 26 years of age, or surviving child under 26 years of age.
 - (3) "Director" means the director of the department or his or her authorized representative.
- (4) "Disability" means an infirmity that prevents a board member from performing a duty assigned to the board member.
- (5) "Files" means the records, memoranda, opinions, minutes, and similar written materials that were formerly in the physical dominion of a board abolished by this act and the records, memoranda, opinions, minutes, and similar written materials of a board created under this act.
- (6) "Formal complaint" means a document that states the charges of each alleged violation and is prepared by the department or the department of attorney general after a complaint is received by the department.
- (7) "General public" means each individual residing in this state who is 18 years of age or older, other than an individual or the spouse of an individual who is licensed or registered in the occupation or who has a material financial interest in the occupation regulated under the specific article in which the term is used.
- (8) "Good moral character" means that term as defined in, and determined under, 1974 PA 381, MCL 338.41 to 338.47.
- (9) "Incompetence" means a departure from, or a failure to conform to, minimal standards of acceptable Rendered Monday, July 7, 2025 Page 1 Michigan Compiled Laws Complete Through PA 5 of 2025

practice for an occupation.

(10) "Knowledge and skill" means the information, education, practical experience, and the facility in applying that information, education, and practical experience.

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339.105 Definitions; L to V.

Sec. 105. (1) "License" means the document issued to a person under this act that enables the person to use a designated title and practice an occupation, which practice would otherwise be prohibited by this act. License includes a document issued by the department that permits a school, institution, or person to offer training or education in an occupation or that permits the operation of a facility, establishment, or institution in which an occupation is practiced. License includes a permit or approval.

- (2) "Licensee" means either of the following, as applicable:
- (a) In articles 1 to 6, a person that is licensed or required to be licensed under this act.
- (b) In a specific article of this act, a person that is licensed or required to be licensed under that article.
- (3) "Limitation" means a condition, stricture, constraint, restriction, or probation attached to a license or registration relative to the scope of practice, including the following:
- (a) A requirement that the licensee or registrant perform only specified functions of the licensee's or registrant's occupation.
- (b) A requirement that the licensee or registrant perform the licensee's or registrant's occupation only for a specified period of time.
- (c) A requirement that the licensee or registrant perform the licensee's or registrant's occupation only within a specified geographical area.
- (d) A requirement that restitution be made or certain work be performed before a license or registration is issued, renewed, or reinstated.
- (e) A requirement that a financial statement certified by an individual who is licensed as a certified public accountant be filed with the department at regular intervals.
- (f) A requirement that reasonably ensures a licensee's or registrant's competence to perform the licensee's or registrant's occupation.
 - (g) A requirement that an attorney review all contracts of a licensee or registrant.
- (h) A requirement that a licensee or registrant have on file with the department a bond that is issued by a surety insurer approved by the department or cash in an amount determined by the department.
- (i) A requirement that a licensee or registrant deposit money received in an escrow account that can be disbursed only under certain conditions as determined by the licensee or registrant and another party.
- (j) A requirement that a licensee or registrant file reports with the department at intervals determined by the department.
 - (4) "Occupation" means a field of endeavor regulated under this act.
 - (5) "Person" means any of the following:
 - (a) An individual.
- (b) A sole proprietorship, partnership, association, corporation, limited liability company, or common law trust.
 - (c) A combination of persons described in subdivision (a) or (b).
 - (d) A department, board, school, institution, establishment, or governmental entity.
 - (6) "Physical dominion" means control and possession.
- (7) "Physician" means that term as defined in sections 17001 and 17501 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.17001 and 333.17501.
- (8) "Probation" means a sanction that permits a board to evaluate over a period of time a licensee's or registrant's fitness to practice an occupation regulated under this act.
- (9) "Public access" means the right of a person to view and copy files under the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.
 - (10) "Registrant" means a person that is registered under this act.
- (11) "Registration" means the document issued to a person under this act that enables the person to use a designated title, which use would be otherwise prohibited by this act.
- (12) "Rule" means a rule promulgated under this act and under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
 - (13) "State" means the District of Columbia or a commonwealth, state, or territory of the United States.
- (14) "Uniformed services" means the Commissioned Corps of the United States Public Health Service and Rendered Monday, July 7, 2025 Page 2 Michigan Compiled Laws Complete Through PA 5 of 2025

the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps.

(15) "Veteran" means that term as defined in section 1 of 1965 PA 190, MCL 35.61.

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