

North Carolina Interpreter & Transliterator Licensing Board

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RE: Interim Report on Efforts to Exercise Regulatory Flexibility

To Whom It May Concern,

The North Carolina Interpreters and Transliterators Licensing Board (the "Board") submits the following interim report on its efforts to exercise regulatory flexibility in accordance with the "Coronavirus Relief Act 3.0.", Session Law 2020-97, s. 3.20 (c) (H 1105) (the "Act").

Specifically, the Board determined that due to the impacts of the coronavirus, it was in the public interest, including the public health, safety, and welfare and the economic well-being of the citizens and businesses of the State, to take the following measures:

- The Board moved all of their Board meetings and public forum to an online platform and made sure to communicate these meetings appropriately to the public so any interested member of the general public could attend the meetings from the comfort of their own home.
- 2. In March of 2020 the Board went through the rulemaking process to enact a temporary rule that allowed for all licensees to obtain all of the required continuing education units (CEUs) needed to renew their license annually online. The Board is keeping a close eye on the pandemic and may have to institute another temporary rule in 2021 to allow for online CEUs again.

The Board did not made any modifications to the licensure renewal process as all licenses were renewed on or before September 30, 2020. The Board reserves the right to extend the renewal deadline in 2021 should it become apparent that additional time is necessary for licensees to complete the renewal process.

The Board posted its meeting information and temporary rule updates on the Board's website and communicated with the licensees via email and regular mail.

Sincerely,

Caitlin Schwab-Falzone, Board Administrator

North Carolina Interpreters and Transliterators Licensing Board

cc: John Green, Assistant Attorney General

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