

Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation
HEARING INSTRUMENT FITTERS AND DISPENSERS
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.

VIDEO CONFERENCE MEETING
AGENDA

This meeting will take place via videoconference and will be broadcast on TDLR's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/user/TexasLicensing>. The meeting agenda and materials will be available on the department's webpage at www.tdlr.texas.gov. If you need materials in an alternate format, contact the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation at least five working days before the meeting date. Phone: (512) 463-6599, E-MAIL: open.meetings@tdlr.texas.gov, TDD/RELAY TEXAS: 1-800-relay-VV (for voice), 1-800-relay-TX (for TDD).

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call, Certification of Quorum, and Introductions
- C. Training
 - 1. Meeting Protocol and Best Practices
 - 2. Public Comments
 - 3. Public Participation
- D. Approval of minutes – September 24, 2019 meeting
- E. Public Comment

Any person wishing to address the Board must submit an Email by following the Public Comment Instructions found on the last page of this agenda or located at www.tdlr.texas.gov. Emails must be submitted to public.comments@tdlr.texas.gov by 12:00 PM, July 7, 2020. TDLR offices will not be open for public comment.
- F. Discussion and possible recommendation on the proposed amendments to existing rules at 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 112, Subchapter B, §112.13; Subchapter C, §§112.23 - 112.26; Subchapter D, §§112.30, 112.32, and 112.33; Subchapter E, §112.40 and §112.42; Subchapter F, §112.52 and §112.53; Subchapter G, §112.60 and §112.61; Subchapter H, §112.71; Subchapter J, §112.91 and §112.98; Subchapter L, §112.110; and Subchapter M, §112.120; the proposed new rules at Subchapter C, §112.21 and §112.22; and Subchapter M, §§112.121 – 112.125; and the proposed repeal of existing rules at Subchapter C, §112.21 and §112.22; and Subchapter N, §§112.130-112.132 and 112.134, regarding the Hearing Instrument Fitters and Dispensers Program. The proposed rules implement House Bill (HB) 1899, HB 2059, HB 2699, and HB 2847, Article 7, 86th Legislature, Regular Session (2019); clarify the submission of surety bonds or other financial security to the Department; address the permit extension requirements; and make terminology and other clean-up changes. This agenda item includes discussion of the public comments received on the proposed rules.

- G. Discussion of HB 2059, 86th Legislature, Regular Session (2019) and possible assignment to an existing workgroup or appointment of a new workgroup to study whether the required human trafficking prevention training may count toward the required continuing education hours for the Hearing Instrument Fitters and Dispensers program.
- H. Appointment of workgroup members
- I. Update on rulemaking petition and Department response regarding 16 Texas Administrative Code §112.97. Sound-Level Measurements - Audiometers and Audiometric Testing.
- J. Staff Reports
 - 1. Executive Office Update
 - a. COVID-19 Response
 - b. Strategic Planning Process
 - c. Sunset Commission Staff Report and TDLR's Response
- K. Recommendations for agenda items for next Board meeting
- L. Discussion of date, time, and location of next Board meeting
- M. Adjournment

The Hearing Instrument Fitters and Dispensers Advisory Board will accept public comment for the July 8, 2020 meeting.

Written comments must be submitted to Public.Comments@tdlr.texas.gov by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 7, 2020. Comments will be provided to the Board members for their review prior to the meeting, but will not be read aloud during the public meeting.

If you wish to address the Board during the public meeting, please provide your contact information to Public.Comments@tdlr.texas.gov by 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 7, 2020. During the meeting, you will receive an email with a link to join the meeting. You will be given up to three (3) minutes to speak. The presiding officer may reduce the time provided for public comments based on the number of requests received. Ensure that you have a reliable connection and clear audio.

****Please email your public comment request to Public.Comments@tdlr.texas.gov. ****

DEADLINE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT REQUESTS IS 12:00 PM, TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2020.

Email request for Public Comment must include:

- Agenda Item or Specific Topic
- Name
- Telephone number
- Please indicate whom you are representing. Ex: attorney, yourself or other

Failure to provide the information requested directly above could result in your comment being delayed or taken out of order.