

Agency Response to Economic Impact Analysis

The Board of Optometry concurs with the Analysis of the Department of Planning and Budget on proposed regulations for 18VAC105-20-10 et seq., Regulations Governing the Practice of Optometry, relating to an inactive license. However, an inactive license is most often chosen by a person who does not intend to resume active practice but wants to retain the professional license he or she has always held. For those persons, allowing an active license to lapse is not an acceptable option; taking inactive status is preferable. Therefore, the cost comparison of inactive licensure versus reinstatement of a lapsed license is not relevant for the majority of licensees.