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CHAPTER 850-X-7
DISPLAY AND RENEWAL OF LICENSE

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850-X-7-.01 Display Of License.

(1) Licenses or certificates are issued when the applicant's credentials have been verified and the appropriate examination has been passed. Licenses or certificates will be sent to the licensees by first class mail.

(2) License or certification issuance dates are assigned on the basis of completion of the credential verification process.

(3) Section 34-30-28 CODE OF ALA. (1991) requires that licenses be displayed. Such display provides the consumers of social work services with a way of recognizing duly recognized practitioners. Therefore, the license to practice social work issued by the Board shall be displayed in the licensee's principal place of practice. Certification for private independent practice shall also be displayed in the certificate holder's principal place of private practice. Failure to do so on the part of the licensee or the certificate holder may result in the suspension of the license for a period not to exceed ninety days.
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850-X-7-.02 Renewals.

Licenses at all levels expire on the last day of the month in the calendar year that is exactly two (2) years from the calendar year and month issued by the Board and printed on the license. An application for renewal of the license shall be submitted on a form provided by the Board and must be received with the renewal fee in the Board office within sixty (60) days after the

expiration of the license. Renewals not received within the proper time frame shall result in the termination of the license.
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850-X-7-.03 Renewal Of Expired License.

The Board may renew an expired license upon the payment of the renewal fees due for each lapsed renewal cycle, the payment of the current license renewal fee, and proof of fifteen (15) hours of continuing education if reactivated within the first year of expiration; should the license be expired longer than one year but less than five an additional requirement of fifteen (15) continuing education hours will be required per year with the maximum being ninety (90) continuing education hours.
Author: Alabama Board of Social Work Examiners
Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-30-25; 41-22-12.
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850-X-7-.04 Inactive Status.

The fee for inactive status is $25.00 every two years and is to be paid on the same date as the active license if it were renewed.

(1) A person not practicing social work in Alabama may select inactive status. A person approved for inactive status is not required to obtain continuing education contact hours while his/her license is inactive.

(2) When the person in the inactive status decides to reactivate the license a minimum of 15 continuing education hours will be required. The board will require 15 hours for each year the license is inactive up to a maximum of 45 contact hours.

(3) To meet continuing education makeup requirements 35% must come from classroom hours.

(4) Supervision will be required for a person at the LBSW level if the initial 24 months of required supervision have not been completed. The supervision will be due within 36 months of gaining employment in a social work setting. If the initial 24 months of required supervision were previously

completed, then only 6 months of additional supervision will be required if there is a change in practice setting.

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