

**CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES  
FILED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY  
OTHNI LATHRAM, DIRECTOR**

(Pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, §41-22-6, as amended).

I certify that the attached is/are correct copy/copies of rule/s as promulgated and adopted on Friday, August 29, 2025, and filed with the agency secretary on Thursday, September 11, 2025.

**AGENCY NAME:** Alabama Board of Optometry

**INTENDED ACTION:** Amend

**RULE NO.:** 630-X-4-.02

(If amended rule, give specific paragraph, subparagraphs, etc., being amended) **Subparagraphs 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9**

**RULE TITLE:** Nominations

**ACTION TAKEN:** State whether the rule was adopted with or without changes from the proposal due to written or oral comments:

**Adopted without changes.** None

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION PUBLISHED IN VOLUME XLIII, ISSUE NO. 9, AAM,  
DATED MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2025.

**STATUTORY RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** 34-22-42 (14)

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(NOTE: In accordance with §41-22-6(b), as amended, a proposed rule is required to be certified within 90 days after completion of the notice.)

Nominations.

(1) Nominations of persons to be selected at the annual meeting shall be made in the manner herein prescribed and no person shall be a nominee eligible to be selected at the annual meeting unless so nominated.

(2) The executive director shall enclose with or attach to the notice required by Rule 630- X-4-.01 of this regulation to be mailed or emailed a brief summary of the qualifications required for appointment to the Board.

(3) Each licensee holding a current annual registration certificate shall have the right to submit the names of up to five (5) qualified optometrists he would like to be considered for nomination. Each licensee desiring to submit such names shall do so on a form which shall be included with the other material required by this regulation to be mailed. Each form shall be signed by an optometrist licensed in Alabama.. The form is attached to this regulation as Appendix A.

(4) Said forms shall be forwarded to the executive director in sufficient time for the executive director to receive the same at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting. Forms received by the executive director less than 14 days prior to the date of the meeting, listing the name of persons not qualified, or listing more than five (5) names shall be void.

(5) Immediately after a date 14 days prior to the date of the meeting, the secretary-treasurer shall then count and tabulate the forms so received and the ten persons qualified for Board membership listed the highest total number of times on valid forms shall be the nominees to be voted on at the annual meeting. In the case of ties, all persons listed a sufficient number of times to create the tie shall be included as a nominee regardless of the number.

(6) Seven days prior to the meeting, the executive director shall post on the Board's website a list of persons so nominated to be voted on at the annual meeting.

(7) The executive director shall make available at his office and at the annual meeting all such forms received by him (valid and invalid) for inspection by any optometrist licensed in Alabama, in person or by attorney with written authorization, and shall make no disposition thereof until at least March 1 of the following year.

(8) Only those persons nominated shall have their names included on the ballot for voting at the annual meeting.

(9) Any Person who is nominated and who does not wish to be considered, may have their name removed from the list of nominees by request made in writing, which shall be received by the secretary-treasurer prior to submission of the list to the Governor.

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**Statutory Authority:** Code of Ala. 1975, §34-24-40.

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