State of California Office of Administrative Law

In re:

Bureau of Household Goods and Services

Regulatory Action:

Title 4, California Code of Regulations

Amend sections: 1380, 1381

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY

ACTION

Government Code Section 11349.3

OAL Matter Number: 2020-1023-01

OAL Matter Type: Regular (S)

In this action, the Bureau of Household Goods and Services adopts criteria to be used in determining whether a crime, professional misconduct, or other act is substantially related to the professional practice of its licensees for purposes of license denial, suspension, or revocation. The action adopts criteria for determining whether an applicant for a license, or for reinstatement of a license, or for the modification or termination of probation of a license, has been rehabilitated subsequent to a criminal conviction, professional misconduct, or other act. The action also adopts criteria for determining whether a licensee has been rehabilitated, subsequent to a criminal conviction, professional misconduct, or other act, when considering whether to suspend or revoke their license.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 4/9/2021.

Date: April 9, 2021

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Director

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA-OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW For use by Secretary of State only e instructions on NOTICE PUBLICATION/REGUI reverse) STD, 400 (REV. 10/2019) **EMERGENCY NUMBER** NOTICE FILE NUMBER OAL FILE -1023-01 NUMBERS ENDORSED - FILED For use by Office of Administrative Law (OAL) only in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of California 2020 OCT 23 P 12: 42 APR 09 2021 OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW 1:49 PM REGULATIONS AGENCY FILE NUMBER (If any) AGENCY WITH RULEMAKING AUTHORITY 2000 and Services A. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE (Complete for publication in Notice Register) FIRST SECTION AFFECTED 2. REQUESTED PUBLICATION DATE 1. SUBJECT OF NOTICE TITLE(S) TELEPHONE NUMBER FAX NUMBER (Optional) 3. NOTICE TYPE 4. AGENCY CONTACT PERSON Notice re Proposed Other Regulatory Action ACTION ON PROPOSED NOTICE NOTICE REGISTER NUMBER PUBLICATION DATE OAL USE Approved as Modified Approved as Disapproved ONLY B. SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS (Complete when submitting regulations) 1a. SUBJECT OF REGULATION(S) 1b. ALL PREVIOUS RELATED OAL REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER(S) Substantial Relationship Criteria and Rehabilitation Criteria 2. SPECIFY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE(S) AND SECTION(S) (Including title 26, if toxics related) ADOPT SECTION(S) AFFECTED (List all section number(s) AMEND individually. Attach additional sheet if needed.) 1380, 1381 TITLE(S) REPEAL 4 3. TYPE OF FILING Regular Rulemaking (Gov. Certificate of Compliance: The agency officer named **Emergency Readopt** Changes Without below certifies that this agency complied with the (Gov. Code, §11346.1(h)) Regulatory Effect (Cal. Code §11346) provisions of Gov. Code §§11346.2-11347.3 either Code Regs., title 1, §100) Resubmittal of disapproved before the emergency regulation was adopted or or withdrawn nonemergency within the time period required by statute. File & Print Print Only filing (Gov. Code §§11349.3, 11349.4) Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn Emergency (Gov. Code, Other (Specify) emergency filing (Gov. Code, §11346.1) §11346.1(b)) 4. ALL BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES OF AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED REGULATIONS AND/OR MATERIAL ADDED TO THE RULEMAKING FILE (Cal. Code Regs. title 1, §44 and Gov. Code §11347.1) 5. EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGES (Gov. Code, §§ 11343.4, 11346.1(d); Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100) Effective on filing with Effective other Effective January 1, April 1, July 1, or §100 Changes Without X (Specify) July 1, 2020 (or on filing thereafter) October 1 (Gov. Code §11343.4(a)) Secretary of State Regulatory Effect 6. CHECK IF THESE REGULATIONS REQUIRE NOTICE TO, OR REVIEW, CONSULTATION, APPROVAL OR CONCURRENCE BY, ANOTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY ★ Department of Finance (Form STD. 399) (SAM §6660) Fair Political Practices Commission State Fire Marshal Links of Kirchouses Other (Specify) Kimberly Kirchmeyer, Director, Department of Consumer Affa TELEPHONE NUMBER FAX NUMBER (Optional) E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional) CONTACT PERSON Diana Godines (916) 921-7279 (916) 999-2068 diana.godines@dca.ca.gov 8. I certify that the attached copy of the regulation(s) is a true and correct copy For use by Office of Administrative Law (OAL) only of the regulation(s) identified on this form, that the information specified on this form ENDORSED APPROVED is true and correct, and that I am the head of the agency taking this action, or a designee of the head of the agency, and am authorized to make this certification. APR 09 2021 SIGNATURE OF AGENCY HEAD OR DESIGNEE DATE Yeaphana La Marr 10/16/2020 Office of Administrative Law TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY Yeaphana La Marr, Acting Bureau Chief

California Code of Regulations Title 4. Professional and Vocational Regulations Division 3. Bureau of Home Furnishings

Order of Adoption

§1380. Substantial Relationship Criteria.

(a) For the purposes of denial, suspension, or revocation of a license pursuant to Section 141 or Division 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) of the Business and Professions Code, a crime, professional misconduct, or act shall be considered to be substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a licensee under Division 8, Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 19000) of the Business and Professions Code, if to a substantial degree it evidences present or potential unfitness of such licensee to perform the functions authorized by histhe license in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare. Such crimes shall include but not be limited to:

(a) Those violations specifically enumerated in Articles 3 through 7, inclusive, and Article 9 of Chapter 3 of Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code. (Chapter 3 of Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code is commonly called the Home

Furnishings Act.)

(b) Those violations specifically enumerated in Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Part 3 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code. (Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Part 3 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code is that portion of the Code which concerns general false and misleading advertising practices.)

(b) In making the substantial relationship determination required under subsection (a) for a crime, the Bureau shall consider all of the following criteria:

(1) The nature and gravity of the offense.

- (2) The number of years elapsed since the date of the offense.
- (3) The nature and duties of the licensee.

(c) For the purposes of subsection (a), substantially related crimes, professional misconduct, or acts shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (1) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate any provision or term of Chapter 3 of Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (2) Crimes or acts involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or theft with the intent to benefit oneself or another or to harm another.
- (3) Violating or attempting to violate Article 1 (commencing with Section 17500) of Chapter 1 of Part 3 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to false or misleading advertising.

(d) If an applicant or licensee wishes to contest a license denial, suspension, or revocation based on a conviction, the applicant or licensee may request a hearing pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19209 to determine if the license should be denied, suspended, or revoked.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 481 and 19034, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 141, 475, 480, and 481, 488, 490, 493, 19063, 19064, 19209 and 19210, Business and Professions Code.

§1381. Criteria for Rehabilitation.

When considering the denial, suspension or revocation of a license on the ground of conviction of a crime the Bureau will consider the following criteria:

(a) The nature and severity of the offense(s).

(b) Total criminal record.

(c) Extent of time that has elapsed since commission of the offense(s).

(d) Whether the licensee has complied with any or all terms of parole, probation, restitution or any other sanctions lawfully imposed against the licensee.

(e) Evidence, if any, of rehabilitation submitted by the licensee.

(1) Include (if applicable) evidence of expungement proceedings pursuant to Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.

(a) When considering the denial, suspension, or revocation of a license pursuant to Division 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) of the Business and Professions Code on the grounds that the applicant or licensee has been convicted of a crime, the Bureau shall consider whether the applicant or licensee made a showing of rehabilitation, if the applicant or licensee completed the criminal sentence at issue without a violation of parole or probation. In making the determination, the Bureau shall consider the following criteria:

(1) The nature and gravity of the crime(s).

(2) The length(s) of the applicable parole or probation period(s).

(3) The extent to which the applicable parole or probation period was shortened or lengthened and the reason(s) the period was modified.

(4) The terms or conditions of parole or probation and the extent to which they bear on the applicant's or licensee's rehabilitation.

(5) The extent to which the terms or conditions of parole or probation were modified and the reason(s) for modification.

(b) If the applicant has not completed the criminal sentence at issue without a violation of probation, the Bureau determines that the applicant did not make the showing of rehabilitation based on the criteria in subsection (a), the denial is based on professional misconduct, or the suspension or revocation is based on a disciplinary action as described in Section 141 of the Code, the Bureau shall apply the following criteria in evaluating an applicant's or licensee's rehabilitation:

(1) The nature and severity of the crime(s), professional misconduct, disciplinary

action(s), or act(s) that are under consideration as the grounds for denial, suspension, or revocation.

- (2) The total criminal record, and evidence of any act(s), professional misconduct, disciplinary action(s), or crime(s) committed subsequent to the act(s) or crime(s) under consideration as grounds for denial, suspension, or revocation under Division
- 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) of the Business and Professions Code.
- (3) The time that has elapsed since commission of the act(s), professional misconduct, disciplinary action(s), or crime(s) referred to in subsection (1) or (2).
- (4) Whether the applicant or licensee has complied with any terms of parole, probation, restitution, or any other sanctions lawfully imposed against the applicant or licensee.
- (5) The criteria in subsections (a)(1) through (a)(5), as applicable.
- (6) Evidence of dismissal proceedings pursuant to Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.
- (7) Whether the applicant or licensee has obtained a certificate of rehabilitation under Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 4852.01) of Title 6 of Part 3 of the Penal Code.
- (8) Evidence, if any, of rehabilitation submitted by the applicant or licensee.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 482 and 19034, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 480, 481, and 482, 488, 490 and 493, Business and Professions Code.