- (3) PROHIBIT THE CARE OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO RELIES ON TREATMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TENETS AND PRACTICES OF A RECOGNIZED CHURCH OR RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION WITH OR WITHOUT COMPENSATION, AND WHO IS CARED FOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THOSE TENETS AND PRACTICES; OR
- (4) APPLY TO A PHARMACIST OR PHARMACY LICENSED UNDER TITLE 12 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.

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- (A) AFTER CONSULTATION WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES INDUSTRY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALE-ADOPT-REGULATIONS THAT SPECIFY THE NONINVASIVE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT TO BE INCLUDED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, SET STANDARDS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS WHO PROVIDE HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES, AND GOVERN THE SAFETY AND QUALITY OF HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES.
- (B) THE REGULATIONS SHALL INCLUDE STANDARDS THAT REQUIRE ALL HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT PROVIDERS TO:
- (1) COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL LICENSURE AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS;
- (2) MAINTAIN A PHYSICAL FACILITY AND MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INVENTORY ON A SITE ZONED TO PERMIT THE BUSINESS ENGAGED IN:
- (3) ESTABLISH PROOF OF PRODUCT LIABILITY INSURANCE AND PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE; AND
- (4) EMPLOY OR CONTRACT WITH APPROPRIATELY LICENSED HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS WHEN PROVIDING SKILLED CARE.
- (C) THE SECRETARY DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH FEES FOR LICENSURE AND LICENSURE RENEWAL IN AN AMOUNT THAT PRODUCES SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO COVER THE ACTUAL DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS RESULTING FROM THE LICENSURE OF HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT PROVIDERS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE:

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- (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE; A PERSON-SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE DEPARTMENT BEFORE THE PERSON MAY PROVIDE HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES.
- (B) AN APPLICANT FOR LICENSURE SHALL SUBMIT A STANDARDIZED APPLICATION ON THE FORM REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND PAY THE LICENSURE FEE SET BY THE DEPARTMENT LICENSURE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON WRITTEN NOTIFICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT THAT THE APPLICANT MEETS THE STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.