

presently is only implied in the law: i.e., that the Board has a duty to renew the license of a qualified licensee.

In subsection (a) of this section the reference to a May 31 expiration date is new language added to conform to Board practice.

Subsection (b) of this section -- which provides for renewal notice -- includes new language added to conform to current Board practice and to similar provisions governing other health occupations in present Art. 43. See, e.g., Art. 43, § 634(c), as to psychologists, and Art. 43, § 868(d), as to social workers.

In subsections (c)(1) and (3)(i) of this section, standard language is added to this and, where necessary, corresponding sections of other titles of this article to state expressly provisions that presently are only implied in the law: i.e., that (1) other licensing requirements of this title apply to any renewal under this section; and (2) applications for renewal may be made only on the form required by the Board.

Subsection (d) of this section is revised to clarify that the Board has a duty to establish rules and regulations for continuing education requirements.

The third sentence of present Art. 43, § 798(a) -- which provides that, if the licensee fails to renew the license by the end of a 30-day grace period, the Board "may suspend" the license -- is deleted as unnecessary and as in conflict with other provisions of the present law, which provide that the license expires 1 year after its issuance. Under the revision of this section, the apparent conflict in the present law is resolved by stating that a license expires automatically at the end of the current license term. This interpretation is consistent with the provisions of other titles of this article and conforms with current Board practice.

As to the authority of the Board to set fees, see § 19-206 of this title.

#### 19-309. REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED LICENSES.

##### (A) EXPIRED FOR 5 YEARS OR LESS.

IF A SPEECH PATHOLOGIST FAILS FOR ANY REASON TO RENEW THE LICENSE OF THE SPEECH PATHOLOGIST BY THE END OF THE 30-DAY GRACE PERIOD, THE BOARD MAY REINSTATE THE LICENSE IF THE SPEECH PATHOLOGIST: