

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 25-081

VETO of LAC 46:LXVI.1217 RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS — FEES AND EXPENSES

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2025, the Louisiana State Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners ("Board") adopted LAC 46:LXVI.1217, a rule that significantly raises professional licensing fees for radiologic technologists:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners identified the purpose of the fee increase as "fiscal responsibility" and infrastructure updates, yet failed to provide adequate justification for such steep increases, including a 50% increase in initial license fees, a 100% increase in reciprocity fees, and a 400% increase in temporary work permit fees;

WHEREAS, the rule also imposes a flat \$200 late fee, effectively eliminating proportional penalties and punishing minor delays with the maximum fine allowed;

WHEREAS, any substantial fee increase—especially those that impact our frontline healthcare workers—deserve close legislative and executive review to ensure transparency, fairness, and alignment with the needs of the public;

WHEREAS, substantial fee increases of this nature warrant legislative scrutiny to ensure they align with the intent and approval of two-thirds of the Legislature;

WHEREAS, R.S. 49:970 grants the Governor the authority to veto any rule or regulation adopted by a state department, agency, board, or commission within thirty days of adoption.

NOW THEREFORE I, JEFF LANDRY, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and R.S. 49:970, do hereby veto LAC 46:LXVI.1217, promulgated on June 20, 2025 in Louisiana Register Volume 51, No. 6, for the following reasons:

1. The rule imposes unjustified and excessive fee increases on licensed professionals without sufficient legislative input;

- 2. It places undue financial strain on Louisiana's healthcare workforce, including those just entering the field;
- 3. It fails to reflect the values of transparency, accountability, and fairness that my Administration expects from state boards.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 16th day of July, 2025.

Jeff Landry

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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