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TO: Senator Kevin Meyer
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RE: Professional/Occupational Licensing Regulated by the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

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You asked for a list of professional and occupational licenses regulated by the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, and the regulatory authority for each license.

There are 20 licensing boards regulated by the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED), Division of Professional Licensing. Additionally, the Division regulates several occupations that are not governed by a board. We provide on the following page a list of all regulatory bodies within DCCED, and the professions they regulate.

We hope this is helpful. If you have questions or need additional information, please let us know.

Professional/Occupational Licensing
Regulated by the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, 2013

Regulatory Authority	Profession/Occupation
Board of Public Accountancy	Public accountants
Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors	Architects, engineers, land surveyors
Board of Barbers and Hairdressers	Barbers, body piercers, estheticians, hairdressers, manicurists, permanent cosmetic coloring, shop owners, and tattooists; students of these professions and instructors/school owners
Big Game Commercial Services Board	Guides, guide-outfitters, and transporters
Board of Chiropractic Examiners	Chiropractors
Board of Dental Examiners	Dentists, dental hygienists, and radiological equipment inspectors
Board of Marine Pilots	Marine pilots and vessel agents
Board of Marital and Family Therapy	Marital and family therapists
State Medical Board	Physicians, osteopaths, paramedics, physician assistants, podiatrists
Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives	Midwives
Board of Nursing	Nurses and nurse aides
Board of Examiners in Optometry	Optometrists
Board of Pharmacy	Pharmacists and drug distributors
State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board	Physical and occupational therapists and assistants
Board of Professional Counselors	Counselors
Board of Psychologist and Psychological Associate Examiners	Psychologists and psychological associates
Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers	Real estate appraisers
Real Estate Commission	Real estate brokers
Board of Social Work Examiners	Social workers
Board of Veterinary Examiners	Veterinarians and veterinary technicians
DCCED Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing (not regulated under a board or commission)	Acupuncturists
	Audiologists and speech-language pathologists
	Animal euthanasia program licenses
	Collection agencies
	Concert promoters
	Construction contractors
	Dieticians and nutritionists
	Dispensing opticians
	Electrical administrators
	Geologists
	Guardians and conservators
	Hearing aid dealers
	Home inspectors
	Mechanical administrators
	Morticians, embalmers and funeral home owners
	Naturopaths
	Nursing home administrators
	Pawnbrokers
	Underground storage tank workers

Source: Alaska DCCED, Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing, www.commerce.state.ak.us/occ/home_professional_lic.htm.