

**74-5806. Same; powers and duties; rules and regulations.** The board is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to administer and enforce the provisions of this act and it is hereby granted such specific powers as are necessary for the purpose of administering and enforcing the same. In addition thereto the board shall have the power:

(a) To employ or contract with agents, attorneys and inspectors under such rules and regulations as it may prescribe in accordance with the provisions of this act, but no state officer shall be eligible for employment by the board.

(b) To make all necessary disbursements and purchases to carry out the provisions of this act.

(c) To appoint representatives to conduct or supervise the examination of applicants for license.

(d) To designate the time and place for examining applicants for licenses.

(e) The board shall preserve an accurate record of all meetings and proceedings of the board including a complete record of all prosecutions and disciplinary actions for violations of this act and rules and regulations adopted thereunder, and of examinations held under the provisions hereof. Such records shall be kept in the office of the board and made accessible to the public in accordance with the Kansas open records act.

(f) To administer oaths; take testimony upon revoking, suspending or taking other disciplinary action against licenses.

(g) To grant all licenses to eligible applicants and to revoke, suspend or take other authorized disciplinary action against any such license granted for any of the causes specified in this act or rules and regulations adopted thereunder.

(h) Each witness who appears before the board at its request, other than a state officer or employee, shall receive for his attendance the fees and mileage provided for witnesses in civil cases in courts of record which shall be audited and paid upon the presentation of proper vouchers sworn to by such witnesses and approved by the chair or executive officer of the board.

(i) To make rules and regulations for the procedure, conduct and government of applicants and licensees, for implementation and administration of this act and to prescribe by rules and regulations a code of ethics for hearing instrument fitters and dispensers within this state, which the rules and regulations shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

(j) To require, in its discretion, the periodic inspection and calibration of audiometric testing equipment and to carry out the periodic inspection of facilities of all persons who practice the fitting or dispensing of hearing instruments.

**History:** L. 1968, ch. 164, § 6; L. 2006, ch. 115, § 5; July 1.