CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.6, the following is a concise explanatory statement:

AGENCY: Rhode Island Department of Health

DIVISION: N/A

RULE IDENTIFIER: 216-RICR-40-05-31

RULE TITLE: Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: Regulations were amended to comply with Pub. Law 23-90, to make non-substantive clarifying changes and to comply with RIDOH drafting practices.

ANY FINDINGS REQUIRED BY LAW AS A PREEQUISITE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RULE: N/A

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS: RIDOH did not receive any public comments on the proposed amendments.

CHANGES TO THE TEXT OF THE RULE: No post-comment changes to the rule were made.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS:

In development of this rule, consideration was given to:

1) Alternative approaches;

2) Overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and

3) Significant economic impact on small business

No alternative approach, duplication or overlap was identified based on available information. RIDOH has determined that the benefits of the rule justify its costs.