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## GOVERNMENT NOTICE GOEWERMENSKENNISGEWING

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### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DEPARTEMENT VAN GESONDHEID

No. R. 804

15 September 2010

Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974)

#### REGULATIONS DEFINING THE SCOPE OF THE PROFESSION OF OPTOMETRY: AMENDMENT

The Minister of Health intends, under section 61(2) read with section 33 of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974) and after consultation with the Health Professions Council of South Africa, to amend the regulations published as Government Notice No. R.280 of 5 April 2007 as reflected in the schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations in writing on the proposed amendments to the Director-General: Health, Private Bag X 828, Pretoria, 0001 (for the attention of the Director: Human Resource Stakeholder Relations and Management), within three months from date of publication of this Notice.

#### SCHEDULE

##### Definitions

1. In these amendment regulations “**the regulations**” means the regulations defining the scope of the profession of Optometry and Dispensing Opticians published under *Gazette* No. 29748, Government Notice No.R280 of 5 April 2007, and any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the regulations shall have that meaning and, unless the context otherwise indicates.

##### Amendment of regulation 2 of the regulations

2. Regulation 2 of the regulations is hereby amended by—
  - (a) the substitution for paragraph (a) of subregulation (1) of the following paragraph:

"(a) The performance of eye examinations on patients with the purpose of detecting visual errors in order to provide clear, comfortable and effective vision;"

(b) the addition after paragraph (b) of sub-regulation (1) of the following paragraphs:

"(c) the supply and fitting of any contact lenses to members of the public; and

(d) the provision of vision therapy to members of the public."



MINISTER OF HEALTH

DATE: 7/4/2010

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