

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB5308

Introduced 2/3/2010, by Rep. David R. Leitch

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 60/17

from Ch. 111, par. 4400-17

Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1987. In a provision concerning temporary licenses, provides that persons meeting certain requirements may receive without examination a 3-year temporary license (removes "in the discretion of the Department"). Provides that a pre-residency or post-residency fellowship may qualify as specialty training or a training program. Makes other changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning professional regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Medical Practice Act of 1987 is amended by changing Section 17 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 60/17) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-17)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2010)

Sec. 17. Temporary license. Persons holding the degree of Doctor of Medicine, persons holding the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, and persons holding the degree of Doctor of Chiropractic or persons who have satisfied the requirements therefor and are eligible to receive such degree from а medical, osteopathic, chiropractic school, who wish to pursue programs of graduate or specialty training in this State, may receive without examination, in the discretion of the Department, a 3-year temporary license. In order to receive a 3-year temporary license hereunder, an applicant shall furnish satisfactory proof to the Department that the applicant:

(A) Is of good moral character. In determining moral character under this Section, the Department may take into consideration whether the applicant has engaged in conduct or activities which would constitute grounds for

discipline under this Act. The Department may also request the applicant to submit, and may consider as evidence of moral character, endorsements from 2 or 3 individuals licensed under this Act;

- (B) Has been accepted or appointed for specialty or residency training by a hospital situated in this State or a training program in a hospital or facility hospitals or facilities maintained by the State of Illinois or affiliated training facility facilities which is approved by the Department for the purpose of such training under this Act. For the purposes of this Section, a pre-residency or post-residency fellowship may qualify as specialty training or a training program. The applicant shall indicate the beginning and ending dates of the period for which the applicant has been accepted or appointed;
- (C) Has or will satisfy the professional education requirements of Section 11 of this Act which are effective at the date of application except for postgraduate clinical training;
- (D) Is physically, mentally, and professionally capable of practicing medicine or treating human ailments without the use of drugs or operative surgery with reasonable judgment, skill, and safety. In determining physical, mental and professional capacity under this Section, the Medical Licensing Board may, upon a showing of a possible incapacity, compel an applicant to submit to a

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mental or physical examination, or both, and may condition or restrict any temporary license, subject to the same terms and conditions as are provided for the Medical Disciplinary Board under Section 22 of this Act. Any such condition of restricted temporary license shall provide that the Chief Medical Coordinator or Deputy Medical Coordinator shall have the authority to review the subject physician's compliance with such conditions or restrictions, including, where appropriate, the physician's record of treatment and counseling regarding the impairment, to the extent permitted by applicable federal statutes and regulations safeguarding the confidentiality of medical records of patients.

Three-year temporary licenses issued pursuant to this Section shall be valid only for the period of time designated therein, and may be extended or renewed pursuant to the rules of the Department, and if a temporary license is thereafter extended, it shall not extend beyond completion of the residency program. The holder of a valid 3-year temporary license shall be entitled thereby to perform only such acts as may be prescribed by and incidental to their program of residency training; they shall not be entitled to otherwise engage in the practice of medicine in this State unless fully licensed in this State.

A 3-year temporary license may be revoked by the Department upon proof that the holder thereof has engaged in the practice

- of medicine in this State outside of the program of their
- 2 residency or specialty training, or if the holder shall fail to
- 3 supply the Department, within 10 days of its request, with
- 4 information as to their current status and activities in their
- 5 specialty training program.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 89-702, eff. 7-1-97; 90-54, eff. 7-3-97.)