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CHAPTER 260

**HOUSE BILL 2130**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 32-1426, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 1995, CHAPTER 212, SECTION 6 AND LAWS 1995, FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 1; AMENDING SECTION 32-1426, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 1995, CHAPTER 212, SECTION 7; REPEALING SECTION 41-2997.17, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 41, CHAPTER 27, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 41-3002.20; RELATING TO THE ALLOPATHIC BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS.

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 32-1426, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by  
3 Laws 1995, chapter 212, section 6, and Laws 1995, fourth special session,  
4 chapter 2, section 1, is amended to read:

5 32-1426. Licensure by endorsement

6 A. An applicant who meets the applicable requirements prescribed in  
7 section 32-1422, 32-1423 or 32-1424, has paid the fees required by this  
8 chapter and has filed a completed application found by the board to be true  
9 and correct is eligible to be licensed to engage in the practice of medicine  
10 in this state through endorsement under either one of the following  
11 conditions:

12 1. The applicant is certified by the national board of medical  
13 examiners as having successfully passed all three parts of the examination  
14 of the national board of medical examiners.

15 2. The applicant has successfully passed a written examination  
16 administered by any state, territory or district of the United States, a  
17 province of Canada or the medical council of Canada.

18 B. An applicant seeking licensure based on any jurisdiction's  
19 examination shall establish to the satisfaction of the board that the

1 examination is substantially equivalent to the examination required by the  
2 board and that any of the following has been met:

3 1. The applicant successfully completed the three part written  
4 federation of state medical boards licensing examination administered by any  
5 jurisdiction before January 1, 1985 and obtained a weighted grade average of  
6 at least seventy-five on the complete examination. Successful completion of  
7 the examination shall be achieved in one sitting.

8 2. The applicant successfully completed the two component federation  
9 licensing examination administered after December 1, 1984 and obtained a  
10 scaled score of at least seventy-five on each component within a five year  
11 period.

12 3. The applicant's score on the United States medical licensing  
13 examination was equal to the score required by this state for licensure by  
14 examination pursuant to section 32-1425 and the applicant passed the three  
15 steps of the examination within a seven year period.

16 4. The applicant successfully completed one of the following  
17 combinations of examinations within a seven year period, or a longer period  
18 established by the board in rules adopted pursuant to title 41, chapter 6:

19 (a) Parts one and two of the national board of medical examiners  
20 examination, administered either by the national board of medical examiners  
21 or the educational commission for foreign medical graduates, with a  
22 successful score determined by the national board of medical examiners and  
23 passed either step three of the United States medical licensing examination  
24 or component two of the federation licensing examination with a scaled score  
25 of at least seventy-five.

26 (b) The federation licensing examination component one examination and  
27 the United States medical licensing step three examination with scaled  
28 scores of at least seventy-five.

29 (c) Each of the following:

30 (i) Part one of the national board of medical examiners licensing  
31 examination with a passing grade as determined by the national board of  
32 medical examiners or step one of the United States medical licensing  
33 examination with a scaled score of at least seventy-five.

34 (ii) Part two of the national board of medical examiners licensing  
35 examination with a passing grade as determined by the national board of  
36 medical examiners or step two of the United States medical licensing  
37 examination with a scaled score of at least seventy-five.

38 (iii) Part three of the national board of medical examiners licensing  
39 examination with a passing grade as determined by the national board of  
40 medical examiners or step three of the United States medical licensing  
41 examination with a scaled score of at least seventy-five or component two of  
42 the federation licensing examination with a scaled score of at least  
43 seventy-five.

1 C. An applicant seeking licensure by endorsement based on successful  
2 passage of a written examination ~~that~~ OR COMBINATION OF EXAMINATIONS, THE  
3 MOST RECENT OF WHICH precedes by more than ten years the application for  
4 licensure by endorsement in this state shall take and ~~successfully complete~~  
5 PASS a special purpose licensing examination ~~administered by the board~~ to  
6 determine the applicant's ability to safely engage in the practice of  
7 medicine. An applicant who is certified or recertified by a specialty board  
8 that is recognized by the American board of medical specialties is exempt  
9 from the licensing examination required under this subsection provided that  
10 the applicant is currently a full-time instructor in an accredited residency  
11 teaching program or is in full-time practice with current continuing medical  
12 education credits. A physician who is licensed under this exemption shall  
13 stipulate to the board that the physician shall not practice outside of that  
14 specialty. An applicant who fails the special purpose licensing examination  
15 three times shall prove that he has successfully completed an additional  
16 twelve months of postgraduate training in an approved hospital internship,  
17 residency or clinical fellowship program before retaking the special purpose  
18 licensing examination.

19 Sec. 2. Section 32-1426, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws  
20 1995, chapter 212, section 7, is amended to read:

21 32-1426. Licensure by endorsement

22 A. An applicant who meets the applicable requirements prescribed in  
23 section 32-1422, 32-1423 or 32-1424, has paid the fees required by this  
24 chapter and has filed a completed application found by the board to be true  
25 and correct is eligible to be licensed to engage in the practice of medicine  
26 in this state through endorsement under either one of the following  
27 conditions:

28 1. The applicant is certified by the national board of medical  
29 examiners as having successfully passed all three parts of the examination  
30 of the national board of medical examiners.

31 2. The applicant has successfully passed a written examination  
32 administered by any state, territory or district of the United States, a  
33 province of Canada or the medical council of Canada.

34 B. An applicant seeking licensure based on any jurisdiction's  
35 examination shall establish to the satisfaction of the board that the  
36 examination is substantially equivalent to the examination required by the  
37 board and that any of the following has been met:

38 1. The applicant successfully completed the three part written  
39 federation of state medical boards licensing examination administered by any  
40 jurisdiction before January 1, 1985 and obtained a weighted grade average of  
41 at least seventy-five on the complete examination. Successful completion of  
42 the examination shall be achieved in one sitting.

43 2. The applicant successfully completed the two component federation  
44 licensing examination administered after December 1, 1984 and obtained a

1 scaled score of at least seventy-five on each component within a five year  
2 period.

3 3. The applicant's score on the United States medical licensing  
4 examination was equal to the score required by this state for licensure by  
5 examination pursuant to section 32-1425 and the applicant passed the three  
6 steps of the examination within a seven year period.

7 4. The applicant successfully completed one of the following  
8 combinations of examinations ~~administered between June 1, 1992 and July 31,~~  
9 ~~1995~~ WITHIN A SEVEN YEAR PERIOD, OR A LONGER PERIOD ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD  
10 IN RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO TITLE 41, CHAPTER 6:

11 (a) Parts one and two of the national board of medical examiners  
12 examination, administered either by the national board of medical examiners  
13 or the educational commission for foreign medical graduates, with a  
14 successful score determined by the national board of medical examiners and  
15 passed either step three of the United States medical licensing examination  
16 or component two of the federation licensing examination with a scaled score  
17 of at least seventy-five.

18 (b) The federation licensing examination component one examination and  
19 the United States medical licensing step three examination with scaled  
20 scores of at least seventy-five.

21 (c) Each of the following:

22 (i) Part one of the national board of medical examiners licensing  
23 examination with a passing grade as determined by the national board of  
24 medical examiners or step one of the United States medical licensing  
25 examination with a scaled score of at least seventy-five.

26 (ii) Part two of the national board of medical examiners licensing  
27 examination with a passing grade as determined by the national board of  
28 medical examiners or step two of the United States medical licensing  
29 examination with a scaled score of at least seventy-five.

30 (iii) Part three of the national board of medical examiners licensing  
31 examination with a passing grade as determined by the national board of  
32 medical examiners or step three of the United States medical licensing  
33 examination with a scaled score of at least seventy-five or component two of  
34 the federation licensing examination with a scaled score of at least  
35 seventy-five.

36 C. An applicant seeking licensure by endorsement based on successful  
37 passage of a written examination ~~that~~ OR COMBINATION OF EXAMINATIONS, THE  
38 MOST RECENT OF WHICH precedes by more than ten years the application for  
39 licensure by endorsement in this state shall take and ~~successfully complete~~  
40 PASS a special purpose licensing examination ~~administered by the board~~ to  
41 determine the applicant's ability to safely engage in the practice of  
42 medicine. An applicant who fails the special purpose licensing examination  
43 three times shall prove that he has successfully completed an additional  
44 twelve months of postgraduate training in an approved hospital internship,

1 residency or clinical fellowship program before retaking the special purpose  
2 licensing examination.

3 Sec. 3. Repeal

4 Section 41-2997.17, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

5 Sec. 4. Title 41, chapter 27, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes, is  
6 amended by adding section 41-3002.20, to read:

7 41-3002.20. Allopathic board of medical examiners; termination

8 July 1, 1999

9 A. THE ALLOPATHIC BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS TERMINATES ON  
10 JULY 1, 1999.

11 B. TITLE 32, CHAPTER 13 IS REPEALED ON JANUARY 1, 2000.

12 Sec. 5. Purpose

13 The purpose of the allopathic board of medical examiners is to protect  
14 the public health and safety by regulating doctors of medicine in this state.

15 Sec. 6. Delayed repeal

16 Section 32-1426, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of  
17 this act is repealed from and after November 1, 1998.

18 Sec. 7. Delayed effective date

19 Section 32-1426, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of  
20 this act is effective from and after November 1, 1998.

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