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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 453, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately  
3 designated and to read as follows:

4        "S453- Active retired clinician license; volunteer  
5 clinical work; community-based health care or public health  
6 organizations. (a) The board may issue an active retired  
7 clinician license to a physician, osteopathic physician, or  
8 surgeon with an inactive Hawaii medical license to provide  
9 volunteer clinical work through a community-based health care or  
10 public health organization.

11        (b) To receive an active retired clinician license, the  
12 applicant:

13        (1) Shall complete an application as prescribed by the  
14 board and pay a fee of \$100;  
15        (2) Shall have been in good standing at the time the  
16 applicant's Hawaii medical license became inactive or  
17 expired;



1       (3) Shall have participated in active clinical practice  
2                   with the last five years;  
3       (4) Shall not hold an active status medical license in any  
4                   state;  
5       (5) Shall not be the subject of a pending or active  
6                   complaint, investigation, consent order, board order,  
7                   or pending disciplinary proceeding in any  
8                   jurisdiction; and  
9       (6) Shall not have surrendered a license while under  
10                   investigation or had a license revoked in any  
11                   jurisdiction.

12       (c) The board shall establish by rule any continuing  
13                   medical education standards for holders of an active retired  
14                   clinician license. The standards shall be at least equal to  
15                   half of those required for physicians, osteopathic physicians,  
16                   and surgeons under section 453-6.

17       (d) Failure to renew, pay the renewal fee, or provide  
18                   documentation of compliance with any continuing medical  
19                   education requirements shall constitute a forfeiture of license,  
20                   which may be restored only upon the submission of a written



1 application therefor, payment to the board of a restoration fee,  
2 and documentation of compliance.

3 (e) Every holder of an active retired clinician license  
4 shall renew the license with the board no later than January 31  
5 of each year. A renewal fee of \$100 shall be due at the time of  
6 renewal.

7 (f) No holder of an active retired clinician license  
8 issued pursuant to this section shall:

9 (1) Open an office, appoint a place to meet patients, or  
10 receive calls from patients relating to the practice  
11 of medicine beyond the parameters of the community-  
12 based health care or public health organization that  
13 is sponsoring and monitoring the licensee's  
14 activities; or

15 (2) Receive any form of compensation for the provision of  
16 clinical work through a community-based health care or  
17 public health organization.

18 (g) The holder of an active retired clinician license  
19 shall obey all laws and rules of the State."

20 SECTION 2. Section 453-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
21 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:



1                 "(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, no person shall  
2 practice medicine or surgery in the State, either gratuitously  
3 or for pay, or offer to practice medicine or surgery in the  
4 State, or advertise or announce one's self, either publicly or  
5 privately, as prepared or qualified to practice medicine or  
6 surgery in the State, or append the letters "Dr.", "M.D.", or  
7 "D.O." to one's name with the intent to imply that the person is  
8 a practitioner of medicine or surgery, without having a valid  
9 unrevoked license, active retired clinician license, or a  
10 limited and temporary license obtained from the Hawaii medical  
11 board."

12                 SECTION 3. Section 453-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

14                 "(a) No applicant shall be examined under this chapter  
15 until the applicant has paid to the board application,  
16 examination, and license fees. The board may provide separate  
17 fees for licensure by endorsement, active retired clinician  
18 licenses, and for limited and temporary licenses."

19                 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

20                 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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S.B. NO. 2307

INTRODUCED BY:

MUN. W.

**By Request**



# S.B. NO. 2307

**Report Title:**

Active Retired Clinician License; Hawaii Medical Board; Physicians; Osteopathic Physicians; Surgeons; Volunteer Clinical Work; Community-Based Health Care or Public Health Organizations

**Description:**

Authorizes the Hawaii Medical Board to issue an active retired clinician license to retired physicians, osteopathic physicians, and surgeons with inactive Hawaii medical licenses to provide volunteer clinical work through community-based health care or public health organizations.

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