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S. B. NO. 1991-70

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Practice of Medicine.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 453-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 453-4 Qualifications for examination. Except as otherwise provided by law, no person shall be licensed to practice medicine or surgery unless he has passed an examination and has been found to be possessed of the necessary qualifications.

Before any applicant shall be eligible for such examination he shall furnish proof satisfactory to the board that:

- (1) He (A) is a citizen of the United States; or (B) if not a citizen of the United States, has declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, as provided by law;
- (2) He has been a resident of the State for at least one year; except that a person who has changed his residence to the State shall have been continuously physically present in the State for at least nine months of his legal residence in the State;
- (3) He is of good moral character;
- (4) (A) He is a graduate of a medical school or college approved by the council on medical education and hospitals of the American medical association; or
 - (B) He is a graduate of a foreign medical school, who has had at least three years' medical experience or training in a hospital approved by the council on medical education and hospitals of the American medical association for internship or residency, and has passed the qualifying examination of the education council for foreign medical graduates or its successor.
- (5) He has served an internship of at least one year in either a hospital which has been certified or approved for the training of interns and resident physicians by the American medical association, council on medical education and hospitals, or if outside the United States, in a

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hospital which is shown by the applicant to the satisfaction of the board to possess standards substantially the equivalent of those required for such American medical association approval, or has completed one year of residency training in a program approved by the American medical association, council of medical education and hospitals.

Diplomates of the national board of medical examiners or those who have passed the federation licensing examination (FLEX) with scores deemed satisfactory by the board and who meet the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), and (5) above, shall be licensed without the necessity of any further examination."

SECTION 2. Material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 12, 1970.)

^{*} Edited accordingly