

## ACT 42

H.B. NO. 933

A Bill for an Act Relating to Radiologic Technology.

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

SECTION 1. Section 466J-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**“§466J-2 Radiologic technology board; appointment; duties.** The governor shall appoint and may remove in the manner prescribed in section 26-34 a [board of radiologic technologists] radiologic technology board, to be placed in the department for administrative purposes.

The board shall consist of nine members. The membership shall be composed of two persons licensed to practice medicine pursuant to chapter 453 and certified by the American Board of Radiology; four persons, each with at least five years' experience and certified in the practice of radiography, two of whom shall be persons engaged in the hospital practice of radiography; and one person who practices [radiologic technology for therapeutic purposes] radiation therapy technology, and one person from the general public. The director or the director's designated representative shall be the ninth, ex officio voting member of the board.

The board shall:

- (1) Select its own chairperson from among its members;
- (2) Adopt, amend, or repeal such rules pursuant to chapter 91 as are necessary to effectuate the purposes of this chapter;
- (3) Determine minimum standards for and approve such educational institutions which provide a course of instruction in radiologic technology which meets the requirements of this chapter;
- (4) Withdraw approval or deny approval of educational institutions for failure to meet prescribed standards;
- (5) Examine[, license, and grant, deny, or revoke the licenses of] qualified applicants and grant, deny, suspend, or revoke licenses which are authorized by this chapter and impose such conditions as may be necessary in connection with the granting, denial, suspension, or revocation of licenses;<sup>1</sup>
- (6) Keep a record of all its proceedings; and
- (7) Make an annual report to the governor.

Members of the board shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for expenses; including travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.”

SECTION 2. Section 466J-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**“§466J-5 Radiographers and radiation therapy technologists; qualifications, licenses, examination.** (a) An applicant for a license to practice as a radiographer or as a radiation therapy technologist shall submit to the board written evidence[;],<sup>1</sup> verified by oath or affirmation, that the applicant:

- (1) Has satisfactorily completed a course in an approved school for radiologic technology or an approved training program for radiographers or radiation therapy technologists; and
- (2) Has completed an approved high school course of study or the equivalent thereof as determined by the appropriate educational agency.

(b) The board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to further define and regulate the practices authorized for radiographers and for radiation therapy technologists.

(c) The applicant shall be required to pass the appropriate examination specified and administered by the board; provided that the board may accept in lieu of the examination a certificate of another agency or organization that certifies radiographers or radiation therapy technologists, if the certificate was issued on the basis of an examination reasonably equivalent to the examination administered by the board.

(d) The board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to enable licensed radiographers and licensed radiation therapy technologists from other states having standards that are comparable to those in Hawaii to obtain licensure without the need for examination.

(e) The applicant applying for a license to practice as a radiographer or as a radiation therapy technologist shall pay a non-refundable fee of \$10 to the department, plus the cost of an examination. All fees received by the department and moneys collected under this chapter shall be deposited with the [ ]director[ ] of finance to the credit of the general fund.

(f) Any person who holds a license to practice as a radiographer shall have the right to use the title “certified radiographer”, and the abbreviation C.R. No other person shall assume this title or use its abbreviation or any other words, letters, signs, or devices to indicate that the person is a certified radiographer.

(g) Any person who holds a license to practice as a radiation therapy technologist shall have the right to use the title “certified radiation therapy technologist”[.], and the abbreviation C.R.T. No other person shall assume this title or use its abbreviation or any other words, letters, signs, or devices to indicate that the person is a certified radiation therapy technologist.

(h) The form of every license shall be prescribed by and issued in the name of the board.”

SECTION 3. Section 466J-1.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is repealed.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.<sup>2</sup> New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved April 24, 1991.)

#### Notes

1. So in original.

2. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.