

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Board of Medical Examiners.

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

SECTION 1. Section 453-5.3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

(1) By amending subsections (c) and (d) to read:

“(c) Upon satisfactory proof of compliance with the required medical educational and training standards, the board may grant state certification to [the] a person [upon the person’s satisfactory completion] who has been granted certification based upon passage of a national certifying examination and who holds a current certificate from the national certifying entity approved by the board.

(d) The board shall approve temporary certification of an applicant under this section [if the]. The applicant [has] shall have graduated from a board approved training program within twelve months of the date of application and [has] never taken a national certifying examination approved by the board but otherwise [meets] meet the requirements of this section[, has]. The applicant shall [file] file a complete application with the board[,] and [has paid] pay all required fees. If the applicant fails to apply for, or to take, the [next succeeding] first examination [or] scheduled by the board following the issuance of the temporary certificate, fails to pass the examination, or fails to receive [a certificate,] certification, all privileges under this section shall automatically cease upon written notification sent to the applicant by the board. A temporary certificate [may] shall be issued only once to each person.”

(2) By amending subsections (g) and (j)¹ to read:

“(g) [The] Any certification of a physician assistant [shall] may be [subject to revocation, limitation, or suspension] denied, not recertified, revoked, limited, or suspended under section 453-8 [and an application for certification may be denied for the same reasons].

(h) The board shall establish the application procedure, medical[,] educational[,] and training standards, examination requirement, if any, and degrees of supervision by rule.

(i) Every person holding a certificate under this section shall [reregister] apply for recertification with the board no later than January 31 of each even-numbered year and pay a renewal fee. Failure to [reregister] apply for recertification shall constitute a forfeiture of the certificate which may only be restored upon written application for [registration] recertification and payment to the board of a restoration fee.

(j) A certificate that has been forfeited for one renewal term shall be auto-

atically terminated and cannot be restored[, and a]. A new application for certification shall be required.”

SECTION 3. Statutory language to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 26, 1991.)

Note

1. So in original.