ACT 124

S.B. NO. 1746

A Bill for an Act Relating to a Requirement to Obtain an Acupuncture Intern Permit.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 436E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

**"§436E-** Acupuncture intern permit required. (a) Except as otherwise provided by law, no person shall practice as an acupuncture intern in this State either gratuitously or for pay, without having first obtained a permit from the board. This permit shall entitle the applicant to engage in the practice of acupuncture for a period of four years under the immediate supervision of a licensed acupuncturist duly licensed under this chapter.

(b) An acupuncture intern permit may be reissued once, for a period not to exceed one year, upon written request to the board and payment of the required fee.

(c) The board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 defining the functions of an acupuncture intern, establishing the requirements to be met by an applicant for an acupuncture intern permit, and specifying the procedures for the immediate supervision of the acupuncture intern by a licensed acupuncturist."

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SECTION 2. Section 436E-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"[[]§436E-3[]] License required. Except as otherwise provided by law, no person shall practice acupuncture in this State either gratuitously or for pay, or shall offer to so practice, or shall announce themselves either publicly or privately as prepared or qualified to so practice any method of acupuncture without having a valid unrevoked license or intern permit from the State[.]; provided that the requirement for a permit shall not be enforced until the board has initially adopted rules pursuant to section 436E-

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.<sup>1</sup>

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

(Approved June 8, 1995.)

## Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.

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