ACT 42

H.B. NO. 2816

A Bill for an Act Relating to Pharmacist Licensure Examinations.

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

SECTION 1. Section 461-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"\$461-6 Examination; license. (a) Every applicant for a license as a pharmacist shall [pass the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy Licensure Examination (NABPLEX) with a score of not less than seventy-five, the Federal Drug Law Examination (FDLE) with a score of not less than seventy-five, and the state jurisprudence examination with a score of not less than seventy-five.] meet all qualifications set by the board including, but not limited to, passing all examinations as prescribed by rules of the board. The board shall determine the passing score for each examination.

(b) Every applicant for a license as a pharmacist, except an applicant applying under section 461-8.5, shall apply on a form to be supplied by the board and shall either file the form with the board at least sixty days before the examination, or if taking the [exam] <u>examination</u> in another state pursuant to the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy Score Transfer Program, shall file the form no later than ninety days after the examination. Each application shall be accompanied by application and examination fees. [Examinations shall be held at least twice a year.] The board shall establish the schedule for examinations.

(c) Each applicant who successfully passes [the] <u>each</u> required examination and meets all other requirements of the board shall pay a license fee.

(d) [Applicants who fail the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy Licensure Examination, or Federal Drug Law Examination, or state jurisprudence] <u>An applicant who fails an</u> examination shall file an application for reexamination in the examination for which a passing score was not achieved and shall not be licensed until the applicant successfully passes all of the licensure examinations."

SECTION 2. Section 461-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) A registered pharmacist of any state or territory of the United States who does not have an encumbered license or any pending disciplinary action or unresolved complaints in any state or territory of the United States and who is not eligible for licensure by reciprocity under section [461-8.5(5)] <u>461-8.5</u> may be granted a temporary license by the board; provided that the person shall first pass [the state] <u>a</u> jurisprudence examination [with a score of not less than seventy-five.] <u>as required by the board.</u>"

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

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

(Approved April 29, 1998.)