

ACT 273

H.B. NO. 325

A Bill for an Act Relating to Health.

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

PART I

SECTION 1. Chapter 432E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§432E- Licensure of managed care plan medical directors. The medical director of any managed care plan providing services in the State shall hold an unlimited license to practice medicine in the State pursuant to chapter 453 or 460.”

SECTION 2. Section 432E-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted and to read as follows:

““Medical director” means the person who is authorized under a managed care plan and who makes decisions for the plan denying or allowing payment for medical treatments, services, or supplies based on medical necessity or other appropriate medical or health plan benefit standards.”

PART II

SECTION 3. Section 321-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending its title and subsection (a) to read as follows:

“§321-15 [Annual] Biennial registration; fees, failure to register. (a) Every person holding a license to practice any occupation specified in section 321-13(a)(1) shall reregister with the department of health[, every other year in accordance with the rules of the department, before February 1 [of each year] except where superseded by federal law, and shall pay a reregistration fee. The failure, neglect, or refusal of any person holding such a license to reregister or pay the reregistration fee, after thirty days of delinquency, shall constitute a forfeiture of the person's license; provided that the license shall be restored upon written application therefor together with a payment of all delinquent fees and an additional late reregistration fee that may be established by the director of health. All fees collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the environmental health education fund established under section 321-27.”

PART III

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.¹

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

(Approved July 6, 1999.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.