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1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**

A Bill

ACT 276 OF 1993
SENATE BILL 315

4 **By: Senators Bookout and Gwatney**

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 17-93-405 AND 17-93-411 TO
9 ESTABLISH LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE
10 MEDICAL BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

13 "TO ESTABLISH LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS FOR THE ARKANSAS
14 STATE MEDICAL BOARD."

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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18 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 17-93-405 is amended to read as follows:

19 "17-93-405. Credentials.

20 (a) A legally licensed physician and surgeon who has been issued a
21 license to practice medicine in another state where the requirements for
22 licensure are equal to those established by the State of Arkansas may be
23 permitted by the board to practice his or her profession in this state without
24 taking an examination upon payment of a fee as provided in § 17-93-411.

25 (b) The issuance of a license by credentials by the board shall be at
26 the sole discretion of the board, and the board may provide such rules or
27 regulations governing such admission as may be deemed necessary by or
28 desirable to the board."

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30 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 17-93-411 is amended to read as follows:

31 "17-93-411. Fees. The board shall charge the following fees:

32 (1) For application for license by examination or by credentials, four
33 hundred dollars (\$400). In the event it is determined by the board that the
34 credentials of the applicant are insufficient or the applicant withdraws his
35 application before taking the examination, the board may return such portion
36 of the fee as allowed by the regulations of the board;

1 (2) For temporary license or permit, fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each
2 six-month period;

3 (3) For certification of licentiate to another state, fifteen dollars
4 (\$15.00);

5 (4) For annual license or reregistration fee, fifty dollars (\$50.00).
6 This fee is to be imposed upon each physician who holds a license to practice
7 medicine in the State of Arkansas. The annual license or reregistration fee
8 may be charged by the board, provided the amount shall be fixed by the board
9 not less than sixty (60) days in advance of January 1 of each year."

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11 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
12 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
13 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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15 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
16 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
17 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
18 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
19 act are declared to be severable.

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21 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
22 hereby repealed.

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24 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
25 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly that it is necessary to provide licensure by
26 credentials to individuals desiring a license to practice medicine in the
27 State of Arkansas; therefore, immediate effect should be given to this measure
28 and an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being necessary for
29 the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in
30 full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

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/s/ Senators Bookout and Gwatney

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APPROVED: 02/26/93

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